National Reporting Format for ASCOBANS

2016

As outlined in ASCOBANS Resolution 8.1 on National Reporting, the national reports covering the year 2016 will cover the following Sections of the Annex to the Resolution:

- Section I
- Section II B3, B4, C8 and D15
- Section VII

The reports submitted will inform discussions at the 23rd Meeting of the Advisory Committee (5-7 September 2017, Le Conquet, France) and will tailor its agenda to focus on the topics selected for this national report.

Section I: General Information

Party Information

Name of Party

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National Coordinator (Focal Point) for ASCOBANS

Text boxes (Name, Function, Organization, Postal Address, Telephone, Email)

Contributors to the report

Text boxes (for each one: Name, Function, Organization, Postal Address, Telephone, Email)

List of relevant national institutions

Text boxes (List of national authorities, organizations, research centres and rescue centres active in the field of study and conservation of cetaceans. For each one: Name, Postal Address, Contact Person, Telephone, Email)

Section II: Habitat Conservation and Management (threats and pressures on cetaceans)

B. Disturbance (including potential physical impacts)

3. Noise (impulsive and continuous/ambient)

3.1) To which noise registers/databases has your country contributed to date?

- ICES Impulsive Noise Register *(for HELCOM and OSPAR Parties): yes/no*

- *National registry, please specify (e.g. JNCC noise registry):*
- *Other, please provide details:*

3.2) The perceived level of risk that underwater noise is posing to the favourable conservation status (FCS) of small cetaceans, i.e. is the pressure increasing, decreasing, staying the same or unknown:

3.3) Any notable instances/issues in the reporting period including providing information on planned or completed significant developments/activities, including the details of EIAs and monitoring in place before, during and after the project:

Development/ activity (e.g. windfarm)	***Status (planned/ completed)***	***Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)***	***Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)***	***Monitoring conducted***	***Further information on noise management***	***Latitude WGS 84***	***Longitude WGS 84***
	Planned/complete/Not Applicable	*Done/foreseen/not required/Not Applicable*	*Done/foreseen/not required/Not Applicable*			*Degree decimal to 4 places*	*Degree decimal to 4 places*

3.4) How is the pressure being managed, including a list of relevant regulations / guidelines and the year of implementation (current and planned):

3.5) List relevant new research/work/collaboration:

3.6) Report on noise management for cumulative impact, including assessment of associated or coincidental activities, regulations and guidelines, seismic shot point densities and level of impact that was assessed and deemed acceptable:

4. Ocean Energy

Wind Energy

4.1) Please enter one table per wind farm.

Name of wind farm	
First operational on (if in planning, then please enter foreseen grid connection date)	dd/mm/yy
Output in megawatts per turbine	

Number of turbines	
How were the individual wind turbines installed in the seabed?	*Pile-driving/suction bucket/ gravity foundation/ tripod foundation/ other, please specify:*
Was scour protection added?	*Yes/No/Unknown*
Noise mitigation during construction used (multiple ticks possible)	*Single bubble curtains* *Double bubble curtains* *Acoustic Deterrent Devices* *Time/area closures* *Other, please specify:*
If the wind farm is floating, how was it anchored?	
Additional information (optional):	

Wave Power

4.2) Please enter one table per wave power installation.

Name of installation	
Fist operational on (if in planning, then please enter foreseen grid connection date)	dd/mm/yy
Location	
Output in megawatts per turbine	
Number of turbines	
How is the installation anchored?	
Was scour protection added?	*Yes/No/Not Applicable*

Tidal Energy

4.3) Please enter one table per tidal energy installation.

Name of installation	
First operational on (if in planning, then please enter foreseen grid connection date)	dd/mm/yy
Location	
Output in megawatts per turbine	
Number of turbines	
Type	*Floating/gravity/other, please specify:*
Collision mitigation	*No/ Yes, please specify:*

Tidal lagoon/barrage

4.4) Please enter one table per tidal lagoon/barrage.

Name of installation	
First operational on (if in planning, then please enter foreseen grid connection date)	dd/mm/yy
Location	
Output in megawatts per turbine	
Number of turbines	
Collision mitigation	*No/ Yes, please specify:*

4.5) The perceived level of risk to favourable conservation status (FCS), i.e. is the pressure increasing, decreasing, staying the same or unknown:

Energy type	***Status 2016 relative to previous years***
Wind energy	Increasing/decreasing/unchanged/unknown/Not Applicable
Wave power	Increasing/decreasing/unchanged/unknown/Not Applicable

Tidal energy	Increasing/decreasing/unchanged/unknown/Not Applicable
Tidal lagoon/barrage	Increasing/decreasing/unchanged/unknown/Not Applicable

4.6) Any notable instances/issues in the reporting period

4.7) How the pressure is being managed, incl. relevant regulations / guidelines and the year of implementation (current and planned)

4.8) Relevant new research/work/collaboration

C. Habitat Change and Degradation (incl. potential physical impacts)

8. Unexploded Ordnance

8.1) To which registers/databases covering conventional and chemical munitions has your country contributed to date?

OSPAR

Other, please state:

None.

Unknown.

8.2) Please fill in table 8.2 (below) on unexploded ordnance, which except for the last four additional columns is the same as the OSPAR one. For explanation of terms see http://www.ascobans.org/sites/default/files/document/AC22_Inf_4.6.c_OSPAR_MunitionsRec 2010.pdf

8.3) The perceived level of risk that unexploded ordnance and the management thereof is posing to the favourable conservation status (FCS) of small cetaceans, i.e. is the pressure increasing, decreasing, staying the same or unknown.

8.4) Any notable instances/issues in the reporting period.

8.5) How is the pressure being managed, incl. relevant regulations/guidelines and the year of implementation (current and planned)

8.6) Relevant new research/work/collaboration

D. Management of Cumulative Impacts

15. Marine Spatial Planning

Plan(s) in force	
Plan(s) in preparation	
Further information, including links to online resources and maps where available	

Section VII: Other Matters

A. Other information or comments important for the Agreement

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B. Difficulties in implementing the Agreement

Text box

Table 8.2 on Unexploded Ordnance (taken from OSPAR reporting format, with additional four columns at the end)

OSPAR Ref. No	**Latitude WGS 84**	**Longitude WGS 84**	**Nature of Encounter**	**Date**	**Type of munition**	**Action taken**	**State of munition (corrosion)**	**Release, Destruction Latitude WGS 84**	**Release, Destruction Longitude WGS 84**	**Remarks**	**Depth of explosion**	**Estimated net weight of explosive material of demolished UXO**	**Demolition charge: net weight of explosive material added**	**Observations during explosion**
If available, otherwise leave blank	*Degree decimal to 4 places*	*Degree decimal to 4 places. Negative for west of Greenwich*	*Diving, Dredging, Entanglement in Nets, Found on shore, Laying pipelines or cables, mine hunting, other*	*dd/mm/yy*	*Chemical, Firebomb, Conventional, unknown*	*Destroyed/blasted, Destroyed/other method, Released at Sea, Disposed of on land, Unknown, other*	*Heavily corroded, Partly corroded, Good condition, Unknown*	*Degree decimal to 4 places*	*Degree decimal to 4 places. Negative for west of Greenwich*	*Text*	*Meters* *On Seafloor/raised*	*TNT equivalent in kg*	*TNT equivalent in kg*	*high order/low order/ deflagration/unknown*