

# MISTIC SEAS III MACARONESIA

## Workpackage 4: Synergies and Cooperation between sub-regions

### Objective:

Link Macaronesia and Bay of Biscay & Iberian Coast sub-regions, bridging possible gaps, towards a coordinated approach on D4 (and related D1 and D3) assessment, targets, monitoring and measures, and support for North East Atlantic MSFD regional implementation.

### Specific actions:

Produce an overview of all PoM and MoP directly and indirectly linked to D4 to facilitate the identification and implementation of synergies between both Member States Portugal Spain, as well as with Cape Vert.

Integrate outcomes under several international initiatives specifically the work being developed in OSPAR Intersessional Correspondence Group ICG-MSFD; and the strategy of the OSPAR Commission for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic 2010–2020 - NEAS (North-East Atlantic Environment Strategy).

Establish a common approach for D4 through enhancement of cooperation and collaboration among the archipelagos of Macaronesia, involving Cabo Verde competent authorities, for an integrated overview of the four Macaronesia archipelagos.

### Tasks:

**Task 4.1: An inter-sub regional overview of D4 in Macaronesia and Bay of Biscay & Iberian Coast, including Cape Vert based on:**

#### Deliverable 4.1

Mistic Seas I and II; OSPAR ICG-MSFD; OSPAR - North-East Atlantic Environment Strategy; Monitoring Programme and Programme of Measures established in Macaronesia and Bay of Biscay & the Iberian Coast; Environmental Targets and indicators.

**Specific Guidance Document for national competent authorities.**

**Task 4.2: Common Strategy for D4 in Macaronesia.**

#### Deliverable 4.2

A common strategy will be developed to guide future work regarding MSFD D4 in Macaronesia sub-region. The final objective is to improve coherence and coordination among the competent authorities that share the two sub-regions, enhancing synergies on assessment and measures.

This common strategy will also establish effective links with OSPAR initiatives, namely the process of potential inclusion of all Macaronesian sub-region in OSPAR; and work developed by Cape Vert.

