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Introduction to IMAP Info System



What is IMAP Info System

- IMAP Info System, developed by INFO/RAC, aims to collect, manage and share data from monitoring programs under the Integrated Monitoring and Assessment Programme of the Mediterranean Sea and Coast and Related Assessment Criteria (IMAP) in the framework of Barcelona Convention.
- The System allows Contracting Parties to report on data related to the Common Indicators (CIs).
- IMAP Info System website is accessible to the general public. Login for Contracting Parties (CPs) and MAP users is needed to access the reserved sections.
- IMAP Info System is ready, operational and able to collect data from 1st July 2019.
- In this biennium, system updates have been made to improve the System and make it fully operational, some of which are still in progress.



IMAP Info System IMAP Common Indicators (CIs)



IMAP Common Indicators (CIs)

- IMAP Info System allows contracting parties to communicate data for the 18 IMAP Common Indicators.
- 29 Information Standards have been developed and implemented in the IMAP Info System, including Candidate Indicator 24 (Trends in the amount of litter ingested by or entangling marine organisms focusing on selected mammals, marine birds, and marine turtles).
- A new standard on **Common Indicator 19** (*Occurrence, origin, extent of acute pollution events and their impact on biota affected by this pollution*) will be implemented as soon as officially approved by **Contracting Parties** (CPs) in the next MED POL Cormon Meeting (27-28 June 2023).
- With the CI19, IMAP Info System will be **fully operational** as required by the Integrated Monitoring and Evaluation Program (IMAP), adopted by COP 19.
- Data related to the **Ecological objective EO3** (*Harvest of commercially exploited fish and shellfish*) is held and managed by GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean).





IMAP Common Indicators (CIs)

What's new?

17 new Information Standards related to 6 Common Indicators!



Common Indicators	N° of Information Standards
CI 3: Species distributional range (EO1)	14 new Information Standards on marine mammals (one specific on the monk seal), marine turtles, marine birds
CI 4: Population abundance of selected species (EO1)	
CI 5: Population demographic characteristics (EO1)	
CI 18: Level of pollution effects of key contaminants where a cause and effect relationship has been established (EO9)	1 on level of pollution effects (PMO1)
CI 20: Actual levels of contaminants that have been detected and number of contaminants which have exceeded maximum regulatory levels in commonly consumed seafood (EO9)	1 on levels of contaminants in seafood (PSF1)
CI 24: Trends in the amount of litter ingested by or entangling marine organisms focusing on selected mammals, marine birds, and marine turtles (E10)	1 on ingestion and entanglement on marine turtles (MLT1)







Data reporting status





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Data reporting status

- Data reported on 14/29 Information Standards
- 294 files uploaded in the IMAP Info System after IMAP call (2020)
- 82 files migrated and converted from MED POL system to IMAP Info System

Per Cluster (after IMAP call):

Biodiversity

Data reported on 5/18 Information Standards (14/18 are new standards); 27 files uploaded

Pollution

Data reported on 7/9 Information Standards (3/9 are new standards); 246 files uploaded

Coastal & Hydrography

Data reported on 2/2 Information Standards; 21 files uploaded





IMAP Info System Quality controls





Quality controls

What's new?

- Introduction of drop-down menu for fields containing lists of values
- Introduction of "Conditional" field (blue in the factsheets) field that must be filled in only if a specific field as been previously compiled
- Automatic filling of some fields according to what has been filled in other specific fields (i.e. unit of measurements related to specific contaminants)
- Introduction of range of values for numerical fields (where applicable)
- Update of some lists of values



New functionalities







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New functionalities

What's new?

- No more "PILOT": a new address for the IMAP Info System!
- Easier navigation with three mega menu
 - 1) Reporting
 - 2) Explore
 - 3) Info











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New functionalities: Dashboard

- The "Dashbord" section will soon be implemented in the IMAP Info System.
- The Dashboard is a tool that allows the user to have summarized, in a synthetic way and through graphical representation, different information coming from different data sources.
- Graphs, tables and maps are interactive and automatically updated according to the data stored in the IMAP Info System DB.











New functionalities: Utility tools (only for RACs)

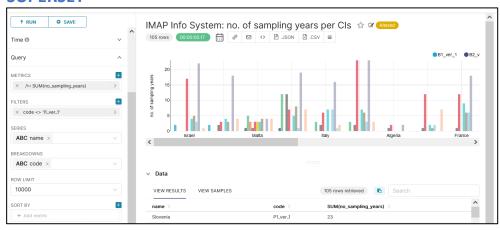
Superset

 Superset is a modern data exploration and visualization platform. It allows users of all skill to easily explore and visualize data, from simple line graphs to geospatial graphs.

Jupiter Lab

- Jupyter Lab is a workspace that allows for data exploration and visualization.
- In Jupyter Lab commands are given via cells. In each cell it is possible to write one or more instructions in sequence.

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JUPITER LAB

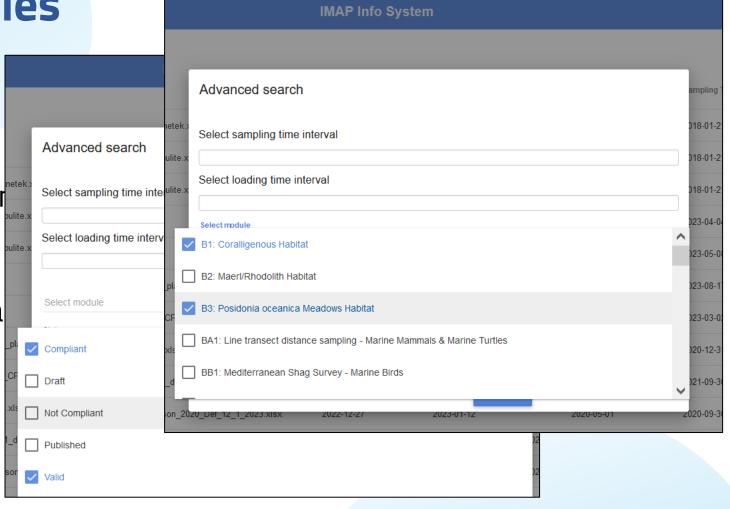


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New functionalities

- Update of the advanced research
- The system allows to export, in are only those selected
- The system allows to download a all the files listed











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Next Steps



Next Steps

Continue implementing and improving IMAP Info System:

- 1. Implementing the new standard on **Common Indicator 19** (Occurrence, origin, extent of acute pollution events and their impact on biota affected by this pollution)
- 2. Creating a connection/link to the data held and managed by GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) on **Ecological objective EO3**
- 3. Developing the **dashboard** of the IMAP Info System
- 4. Improving the tools supporting RACs for the next QSR assessments
- 5. Developing video-tutorial supporting IMAP Users in reporting data in the IMAP Info System

Organize Training/Assistance meeting with all national IMAP Users

Ensure ongoing support for IMAP users through the IMAP helpdesk









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IMAP Info System: Information and communication services

You can always contact us at:



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THANKS for your attention

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