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Part I About Deliverable 1.2 Advisory Board Nomination

1. Background

1.1 Overall aim of the MOVE project

MOVE - facilitating MAES to support regional policy in Overseas Europe, mobilizing stakeholders and pooling resources – is a pilot project that intends to involve policy makers, researchers and the civil society in the development of methodologies for mapping and assessing the state of ecosystems and their services in **Outermost Regions (ORs) and Overseas Countries & Territories (OCTs)**. It advocates a coordinated and synergistic approach to turn the geographical, political and knowledge base fragmentation of these entities into assets, pooling resources and building robust participatory tools.

The project will start by assessing the state of the art of the MAES (**Mapping and Assessing Ecosystem Services**) exercise within the participating overseas regions, and by inventorying and motivating the human and material capacities present in each of them. It will then choose as case studies 4 specific regions and a particular contribution on which to focus the work of a dedicated team of local experts, policy makers and civil society members, pooled from across the OR and OCTs. Besides producing a tangible contribution for the MAES exercise, this project aims to demonstrate the possibility and the benefit of a bottom-up approach, involving and capacitating local actors.

1.2 About Activity 1- Project coordination and management. Task 1.1- Technical coordination of the project

This task aims at ensuring an efficient technical coordination of the project. The project coordination will be responsible for:

- i. setting up the project's communication, coordination and knowledge management tools;



- ii. setting up the Advisory Board with the partners suggestions; - organizing and chairing the planned project meetings
- iii. representing the project consortium for all official purposes;
- iv. being the focal point with the Project Officer appointed by the DGENV;
- v. providing all partners with reports, deliverable requests and project status updates;
- vi. interact with the DGENV on a regular basis; - managing and solving possible conflict and risks;
- vii. Control of work progress and budget allocation
- viii. Refinement and updating of the work plan if necessary;

The management structure of the project will include the Project Management team, a Steering Committee, a General Assembly and an Advisory Board.

2. Advisory Board

Advisory is composed by a panel of governmental stakeholder representatives and by international experts.

Role and responsibilities: will provide guidance to ensure that the project activities are pertinent and provide the highest possible impact. The governmental stakeholders, in particular, will help steer the implementation of the EU Overseas solutions for ES mapping and management according to the strategies of each region.

The AB specific responsibilities include: 1) Periodical strategic review; 2) providing technical and scientific advice; 3) help in disseminating the project and its outcomes.

AB members will have full access to the project's internal communication platform, and can address the consortium at any time. The consortium will meet periodically with the AB as a whole or with particular groups of members. These meetings will take place in person or by electronic means.

Part II Advisory Board Composition

The Advisory Board (AB) was appointed and steered by the General Assembly.

The Project Management Team shall write the minutes of the AB meetings and prepare the implementation of the AB's suggestions. The AB members shall be allowed to participate in General Assembly meetings upon invitation but have not any voting rights.



Figure 1 – Photographic identification of the MOVE Advisory Board members.

In addition to the abovementioned competences the AB will have intervention in: task 3.3- Knowledge sharing; Activity 4, the elements of the strategic plan will be discussed with stakeholders, partners and members of the Advisory Board, with particular emphasis during the



validation workshops. A final version of the Strategic Plan will be discussed and approved during the 2nd MOVE workshop, with the AB.

Furthermore, thru the online forum, the communication between partners, Advisory Board and stakeholders will be possible. The AB will provide advice and guidance on the project's activities, to ensure that the results are clear, pertinent and provide a high impact to the community. It is also expected to facilitate the work within each region and to help in disseminating the project's outcomes.

Table 1 – Biographical Information of the MOVE Advisory Board members.

MOVE Advisory Board	Biographical Information
Ciprian Ionescu	Ciprian Ionescu is natural capital programme officer for WWF France. He holds a doctorate in ecological economics, a master's degree in sustainable development, and a degree in biology. His PhD research paid particular attention to the links between biodiversity, ecosystem services, and business strategies. He also worked for a major energy company, on various environmental projects.
Evangelia Drakou	Dr Evangelia (Valia) Drakou is an Assistant Professor at the University of Twente in the Netherlands. Her research focus is on mapping and quantifying human-nature interactions with a particular interest in ecosystem services emerging in the marine realm and across the land-ocean interface. She adopts an interdisciplinary approach to research and is mainly interested in integrating heterogeneous data elements through mapping and modelling processes. She also uses participatory mapping and modelling approaches to guarantee better scientific uptake from decision-makers. Within her current employment, she shares her time between research projects, supervising PhD and MSc students, and teaching in MSc programs. Valia is a biologist and obtained her Ph.D. in Landscape Ecology from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in 2009. During her post-doctoral research, she worked for four years at the Joint Research Center of the European Commission on policy-oriented research. She returned to Academia in 2014, by joining the University of Brest and Ifremer in the northwest of France to focus on marine ecosystem service research. She has been involved in several Global and European projects, including the Mapping Ocean Wealth, SCALES, ECOPOTENTIAL, and ALICE (Interreg). She has been in the advisory board of

	<p>several projects and initiatives, including the French National Ecosystem Assessment (EFESE), the Greek and Cypriot National Ecosystem Assessment. She is part of the Scientific and Technical Network of MedWet.</p> <p>She has published numerous peer-reviewed papers, book chapters but also Scientific and Technical reports. She has edited five journal special issues and she is also at the Editorial Board of several academic journals. She leads the Marine Working Group and the Greek National Network of the Ecosystem Services Partnership. She is also involved several GEOBON and Marine-BON activities.</p>
<p>Mario Balzan</p>	<p>Mario V Balzan is a Senior Lecturer at the Institute of Applied Sciences, Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology. He holds a Ph.D. in agro-environmental science, and has a multidisciplinary background in environmental sciences and applied ecology.</p> <p>Mario is the coordinator of the Horizon 2020 Twinning project ReNature and the Principal Investigator of the MCAST Applied Environmental Sciences Research Group (AESReG), where he coordinates the research activities on biodiversity, ecosystem services and nature-based solutions. Research carried out by the group addresses sustainability issues that would benefit from multidisciplinary approaches to environmental management and policy-making. Past research, has been supported through projects that have received funding from national and international funding agencies and, has investigated biodiversity-ecosystem function relations, the assessment and mapping of ecosystem services, and the provision of nature-based solutions for maintaining ecosystem services in cultural landscapes.</p>
<p>Ricardo Santos</p>	<p>Ricardo Serrão Santos has been Member of the European Parliament since 2014 and is a permanent member of the European Parliament's Committees on Fisheries and Agriculture and Rural Development. He is Coordinator of the Socialist Group for Fisheries, Vice-President of the European Parliament's Intergroup on "Seas, Islands, Rivers and Coastal Areas" and Vice-Chairman of the Intergroup "Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development"</p> <p>Ricardo Serrão Santos holds a PhD from the University of Liverpool. During his academic career, he was the coordinator and president of several scientific organizations in the EU, Portugal and the Azores. He</p>



remains a member of several scientific advisory bodies, including the Paris Oceanographic Institute. Recently was selected to join the UNESCO group that will draw up the United Nations agenda for the Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030).

Serrão Santos is a member of the Portuguese Academy of Sciences and emeritus member of the Portuguese Naval Academy. He was honored with several honors and prizes, which are joined by the World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF) - Gift to the Earth in 2002 and the Autonomous Recognition Award granted by the Azores Regional Legislative Assembly and the Government of the Azores in May 2012 He was awarded in November 2013 by Principe Albert II of Monaco, with the title of "Chevalier de l'Ordre de Saint Charles."