

# Coastal Guide ICZM Information System

## 1. Key data

Project title:	Territorial co-ordination scheme for the harbour system and coast of the Gulf of Naples - "Posidonia"
Country:	Spain
Project phase:	prep. / study / planning / implementation / no progress
Launch:	1997
National funding:	[periods, in euros]
EC-funding:	[periods, in euros]
EC project references:	TERRA Programme / Posidonia n°55/Barcelona
Lead partner:	
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Project website:	[URL]
Project area:	[name or description]
Area size (land):	[in hectare]
(water):	[in hectare, or yes/no]
Population size:	
Policy background:	
Important sectors in the project set-up:	Tourism, Public health, Ports & Marine industry, Landscapes & Cultural heritage, Public Access, Dredging, Pollution, Coastal erosion, Water management
Main aim:	The city of Barcelona's top priority in taking part in the "Posidonia" project is to facilitate the transfer of the knowledge acquired through the experience of managing the coastline and the old port of Barcelona and to enable discussion within the project group on the difficulties of town planning methods.
Expected results:	Systematic circulation of the available information (completed and ongoing projects, town planning methods, partnerships, role of the various public services, public and private investments). Graphic location of the project sites on the coast of the Barcelona metropolitan area and relation with the town plans (1976 General Plan of the Metropolis and specific development plans). Participation in the comparative analysis of the planning strategies of the five partner cities. Participation in the drafting of the final document containing the recommendations and guidelines for the European programmes covering this part of the Mediterranean coastline. Organisation of visits to Barcelona by the project group.

## 2. Collaboration & integration

Objectives re collaboration & integration:

The TERRA networks are multi-centred which means that the areas covered by the names "Napoli", "Barcelona", "Palermo", "Taranto" and "Athinaï", will not take the form of isolated projects, but will be rather part of a coherent activity. Co-operation between public authorities is a key concept in the TERRA programme.

Ministries formally involved\*: Ministry of Environment (Directorate General for the Coasts)

Regions (county, province) formally involved\*:

[names]

Municipalities (towns) formally involved\*:

[names]

Main achievements: Coastal municipalities in the greater Barcelona areas have collaborated in the development, financing and implementation of the Plan de Costas.

Problems encountered:

### **3. Participation**

Objectives re participation:

Environment stakeholders formally involved\*: yes / no

Economic development stakeholders formally involved\*: yes / no

Public hearings: [number]

Public access to project data: yes / no

Main achievements:

Problems encountered:

### **4. Information**

Objectives re environment:

Main achievements:

Problems encountered:

### **5. Policy aspects, relevance and success:**

#### **Legal Jurisdictional issues:**

Project objectives: Resolve conflict between public needs of management and privately owned coastal land

Main achievements: Ley de Costas 1988 (Shores Act) declares the extent of coastal public property. It defines four overlapping zones measured from the landward limit of the seashore in which the rights of private owners are subject to restrictions in order to protect public use, passage and access to the sea, and to ensure that development is compatible with the protection of coastal public property.

Problems encountered: In Barcelona, private land of high ecological value near the airport cannot be protected from development under the Ley de Costas, although the planning authorities would like to do so, because it is defined as urban land and is excluded from the controlled zone.

#### **Environment:**

Project objectives:

Main achievements:

Problems encountered:

#### **Biodiversity conservation:**

Project objectives:

Main achievements:

Problems encountered:

**Economic development:**

Project objectives: clean up polluted areas  
Main achievements: Old industrial areas in the north of Barcelona undergone an extensive intervention of decontamination and requalification  
Problems encountered: Barcelona is dealing with expansion of the port area as well as development of a new airport runway close to the coast. Options are limited in this intensively used area, which is bounded by mountains.

**Spatial planning & zoning:**

Project objectives: public access to the foreshore and beaches  
Main achievements:  
Problems encountered: The Olympic games of 1992 represented the opportunity for the city to re-open itself to the sea and give the opportunity to the inhabitants and the tourists to actually begin using the waterfront again (after almost one century). This involved dismantling transport routes that cut off the city from the waterfront and rehabilitating areas of derelict industry.

**Coastal defence:**

Project objectives:  
Main achievements:  
Problems encountered:

**6. Progress & Continuity**

Follow-up:  
No progress since: [month, year]  
Main reason for lack of progress:

**7. Sources**

Project Report online: [attached in MS word or PDF]

\*) formally involved means: as a project partner or represented in a project committee.

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