

Scotland's Marine Plan: coastal & inland recreation

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Connectivity matters!

Land/sea interactions

- Interconnected waterbodies
- Facilities & access for activities
- Visitor base/ communities of interest
- Join up between terrestrial & marine planning
- Jobs & opportunities



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Scotland's National Marine Plan

❖ General duties:

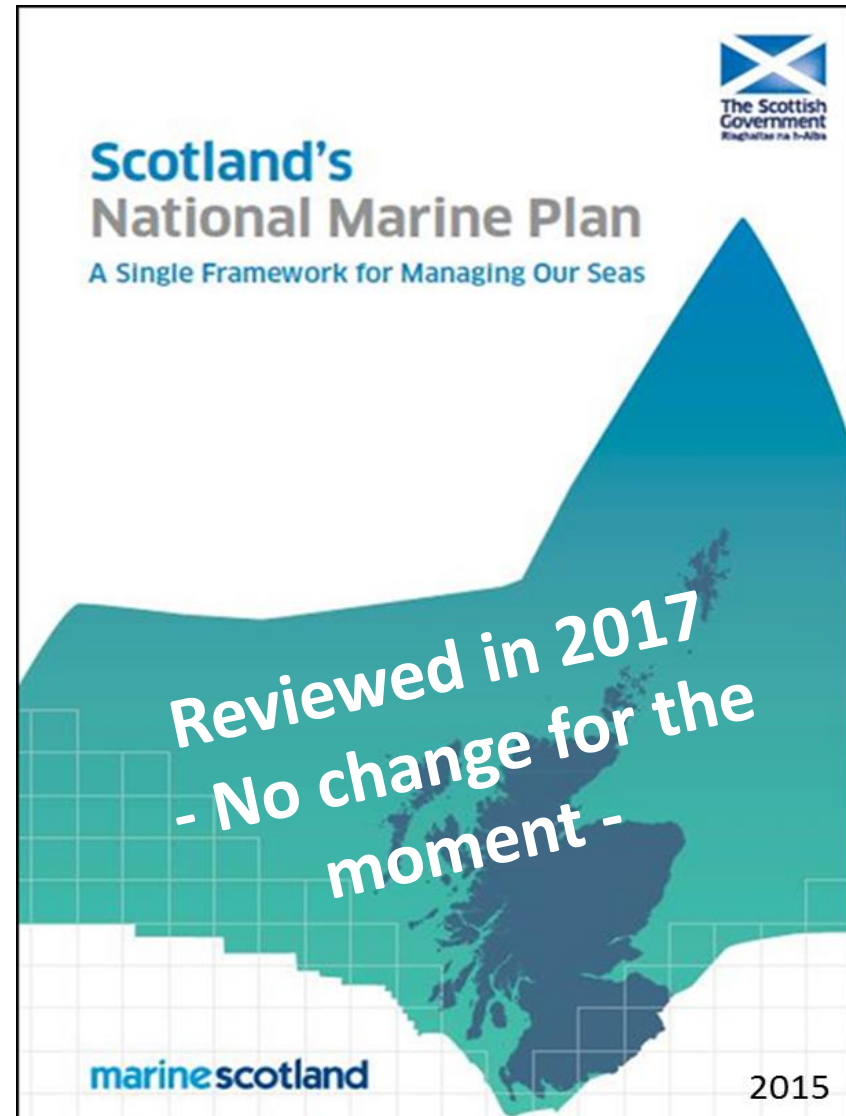
- Sustainable development & protection and enhancement of the Scottish Marine Area
- Sets objectives & policies for use of marine assets
- Mitigation of, and adaptation to, climate change

❖ Accommodates:

- EU MSP Directive & UK Marine Policy Statement
- Ecosystem-based approach
- Sustainable development principles (High Level Marine Objectives)
- Sectoral marine planning: offshore energy generation
- Nature conservation & protection: Marine Protected Areas

❖ National & Regional approach

- 11 Scottish Marine Regions



Regional Marine Planning

❖ 1 National Marine Plan

- MHWS to 200nm

❖ 11 Scottish Marine Regions

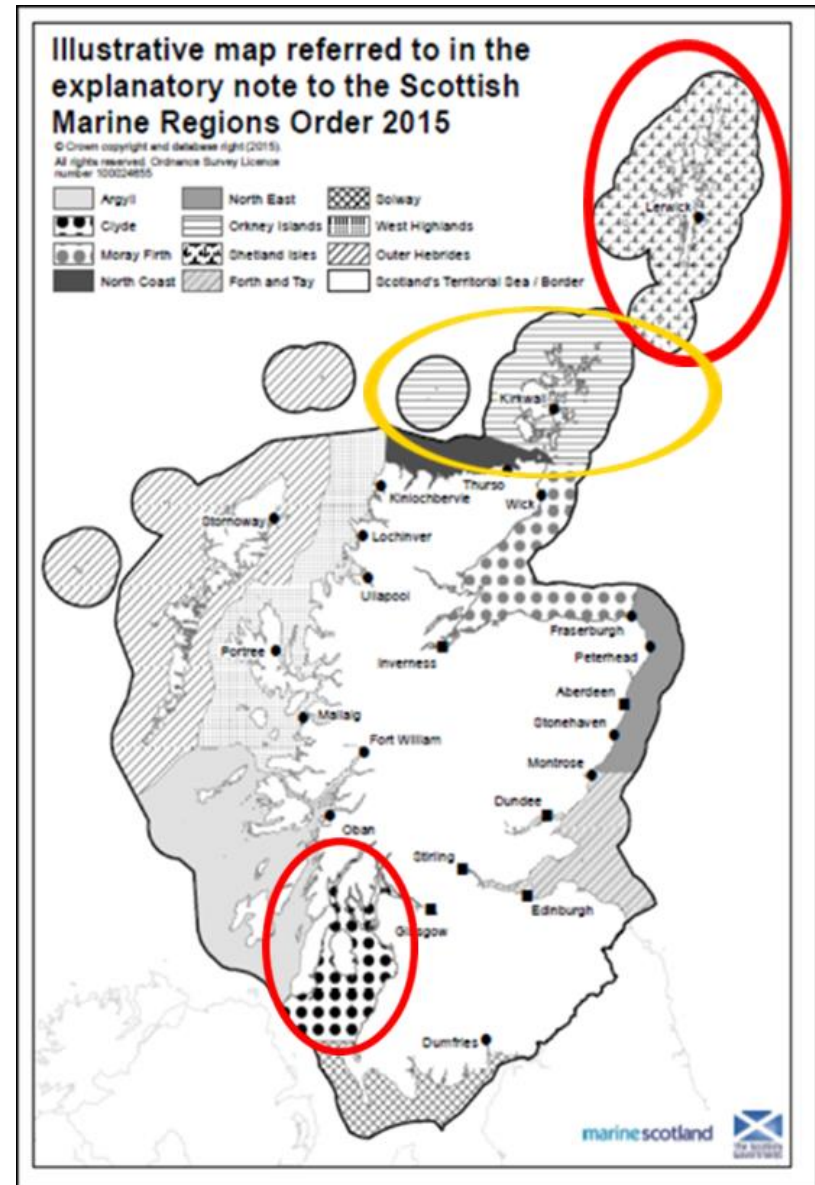
- 3 island groupings
- 1 cross-border Firth
- 1 adjacent to English waters
- 3 adjacent to Northern Irish waters
- 2 adjacent to Republic of Ireland waters

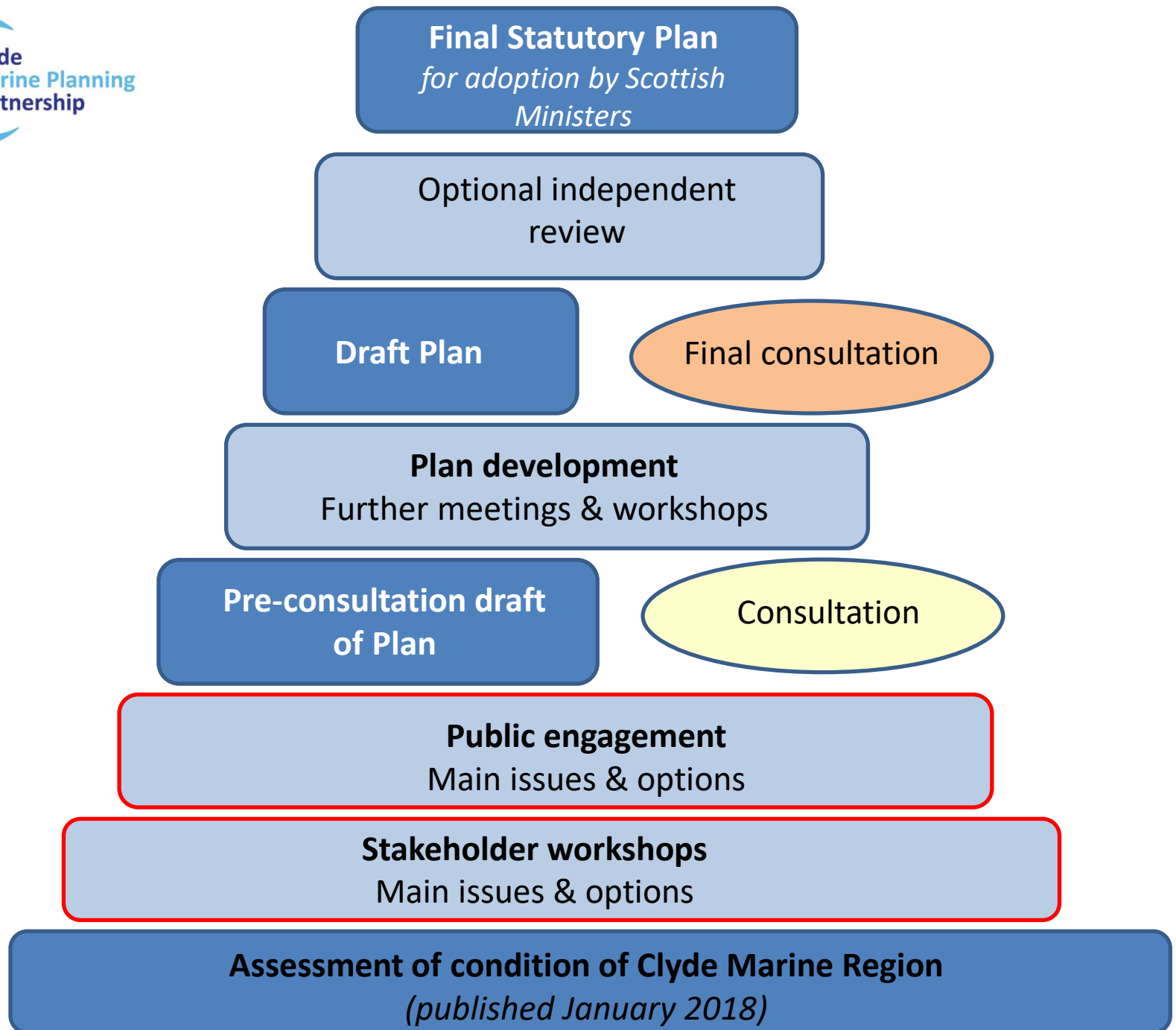
❖ Clyde & Shetland first

- Statutory Regional Marine Plans to be created by Marine Planning Partnerships under delegated marine planning powers – “Direction” from Scottish Ministers
- Orkney announced as next MPP

www.clydemarineplan.scot

<https://www.nafc.uhi.ac.uk/research/marine-spatial-planning/>





Engagement in Regional Marine Planning

- Make sure your interests are considered
 - In their own right
 - In combination with others
- Land/sea interactions in coastal areas
 - From land to sea
 - From sea to land
- Ask not what marine planning can do for you – ask what you can do for marine planning!
 - <http://www.clydemarineplan.scot/marine-planning/consultations-and-event/>



Looking ahead

- Opportunities for SG policy areas:
 - Marine Litter & Zero Waste Scotland
 - Marine Planning, Licensing & Tourism
 - Crown Estate Scotland
- Local Coastal Partnerships & Marine Planning Partnerships
- 2020 Year of Coasts & Waters 😊
- Brexit...?



MSP Challenge game



- Cross-border marine planning:
 - In a single sea area
 - Between three neighbouring authorities
- Balancing economic and environmental objectives
- Negotiating solutions between sectors

Cruise Edition

Considerations

- Existing uses of marine resources:
 - mobile & static fisheries
 - aquaculture
 - oil & gas installations
 - ports & shipping routes
 - ferry links
 - recreation
 - land/sea interactions
- Economic benefit
- Environmental sustainability

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Aberdeenshire business owner wins presidential election



Donald Trump visited his Balmedie course earlier this year.

MSP Challenge 'board game'



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Scenario

- Develop a 'Round Rica' route for a short cruise to satisfy the requirements of an iconic heritage vessel



Roles to play

EACH AUTHORITY

- Aquaculture
- Community
- Fisheries (mobile gear)
- Fisheries (static gear)
- Local Enterprise
- Nature Conservation Advisor
- Planner
- Politician
- Port Operator
- Recreation
- Shipper (ferries, cargo, etc.)
- Tourism

STRATEGIC

- Defence
- Inshore Fisheries Representative
- Lawyer
- Marine Planner
- Marine Safety Advisor
- Nature Conservation Advisor
- Offshore Renewable Energy
- Shipper
- *Observer (2)*

- Different roles in different areas...
- But EVERY area MUST have at least one Planner AND a Nature Conservation Advisor

Scenario

- Develop your strategies in your own areas but talk to your neighbours to develop a comprehensive programme for the Cruise Director to consider
 - Call at all ports in all three areas
 - 5 days / 4 nights
- No accommodation on vessel so:
 - Large/medium-sized ports to pitch for overnight stops
 - Medium/small ports & other locations pitch as mini stops (via tender) or destinations for day trips
 - Opportunities for hotels & restaurants but also additional products

Interactions between sectors

	Aquaculture	Environment	Fisheries (mobile)	Fisheries (static)	Ports	Renewable energy	Recreation & Tourism	Shipping & Transport
Aquaculture			?	?		?		
Environment								
Fisheries (mobile)	?							?
Fisheries (static)	?							
Ports								
Renewable energy	?						?	
Recreation & Tourism						?		
Shipping & Transport			?					

KEY:

Neutral
interaction

Positive
interaction

Negative
Interaction

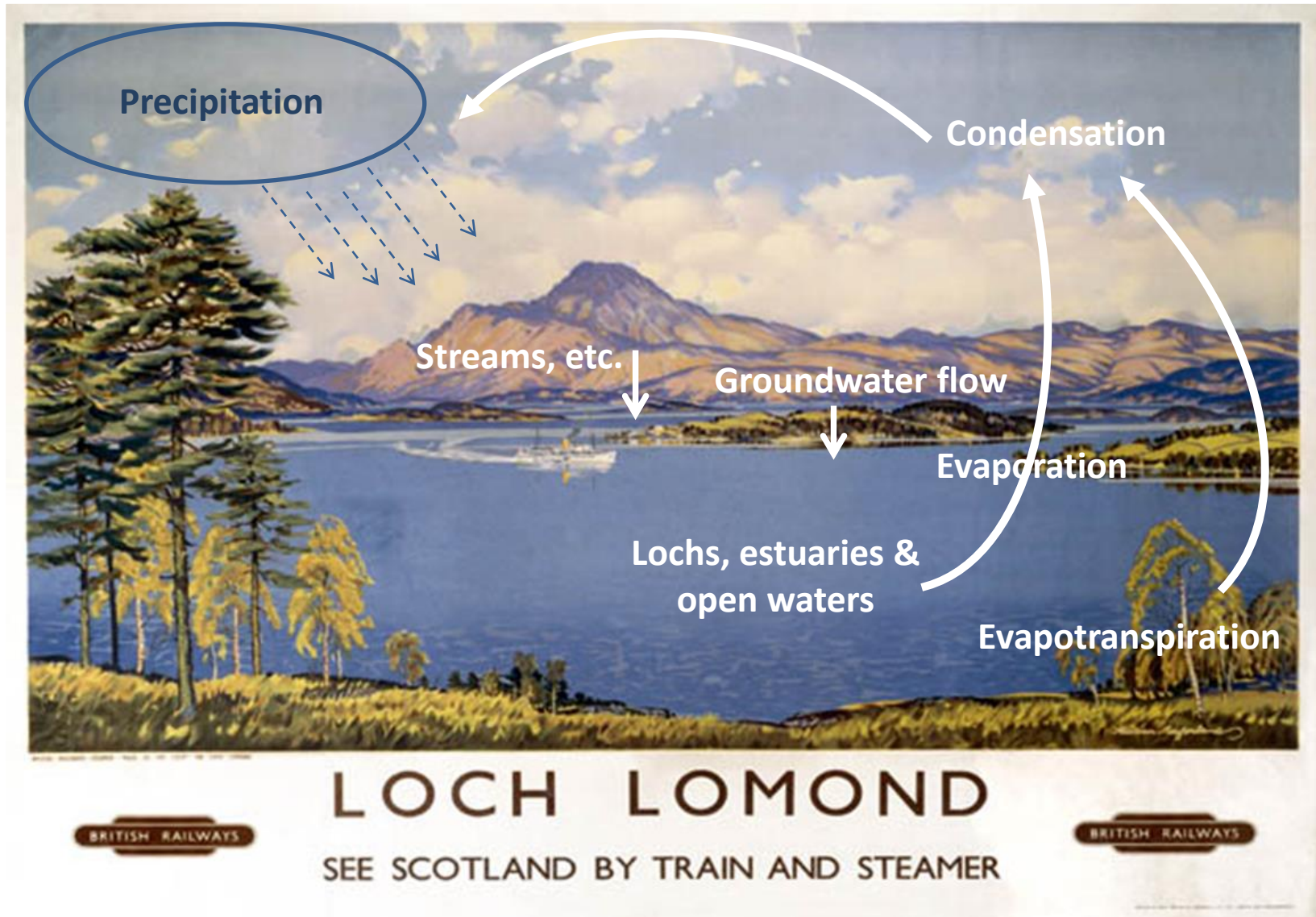
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What do you think?

Thank you for playing!

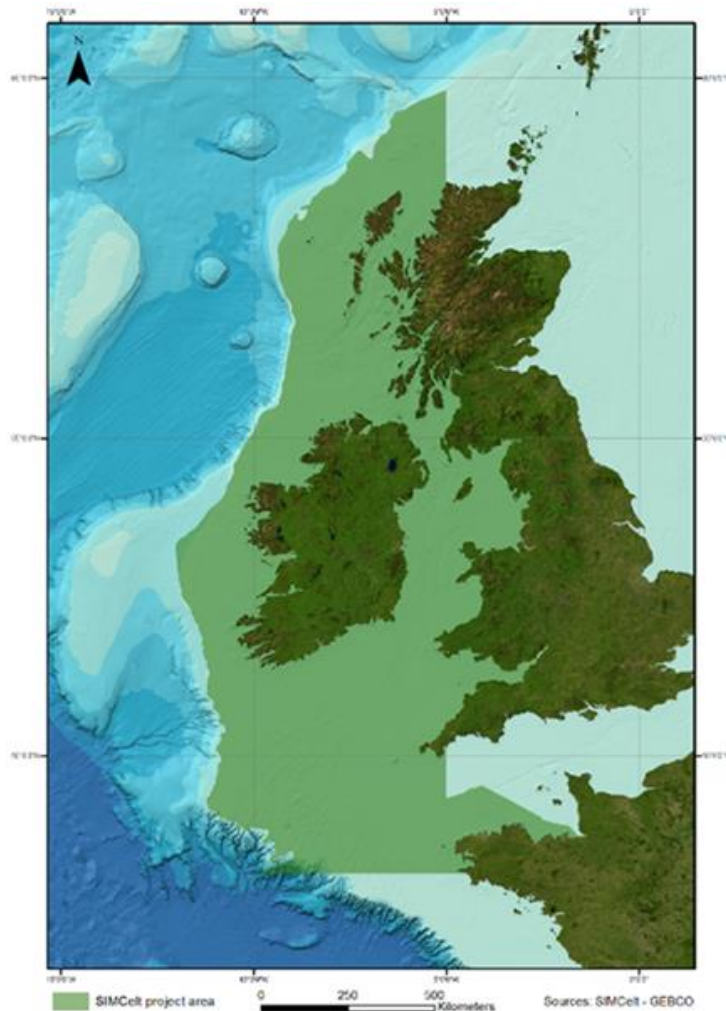
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Supporting Implementation of Maritime Spatial Planning in the Celtic Seas



- EU-funded project looking at issues in transboundary MSP in the Celtic Seas
- Partners from the UK (Northern Ireland & Scotland), Republic of Ireland & France
- Dec. 2015 – Mar. 2018

‘Firth of Colours’ edition of MSP Challenge ‘serious game’

