



Seascapes General Model

WHAT IS A SEASCAPE?

A Seascape is a large, multiple-use coastal and marine area, scientifically and strategically defined, in which governments, communities, private organizations, and other stakeholders cooperate, collaborate, and coordinate to manage for **sustainable development, biodiversity conservation, and human well-being.**



KEY ELEMENTS OF A SEASCAPE

EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE



- Social Support
- Political Will
- Harmonized Policies and Regulations
- Adequate Institutions and Partnerships
- Sustainable Financing

HUMAN WELL-BEING



- Respect for Customary Practices
- Education and Awareness
- Cultural, Gender, and Social Sensitivity
- Sustainable Social and Economic Development
- Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation

ECOLOGICAL WELL-BEING



- Restoration of Critical Habitats
- Maintenance of Ecosystem Functions
- Protection of Threatened and Critical Species
- Fisheries Managed for Sustainability
- Integrated Terrestrial and Marine Management

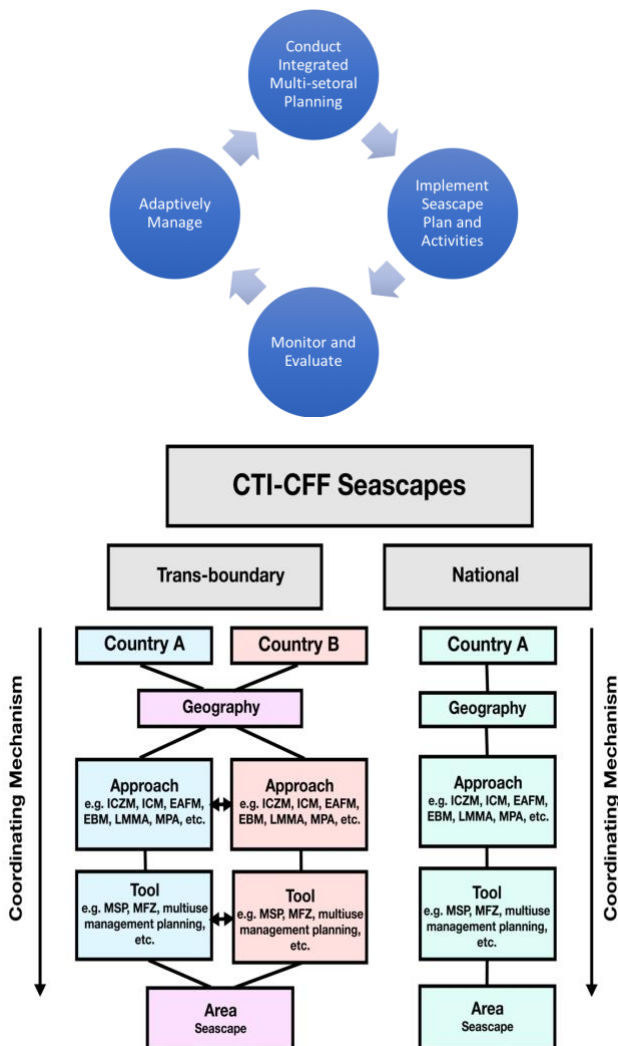
IMPORTANT FACTORS FOR SEASCAPE IDENTIFICATION AND SELECTION

- The area contains high biodiversity, socio-cultural and/or economic values or potential conflicts between different values and/or uses.
- Current management, governance mechanisms and management interventions (and scale) of the area are insufficient to address pressures and resource uses.
- Management of the area requires coordination, collaboration and management across different levels of government and sectors.

IMPORTANT FACTORS FOR GUIDANCE FOR SEASCAPE DESIGNATION

- Consideration of regional and national circumstances
- Compliance with relevant regional, national and local authorities and procedures.
- Relevant government authorities (at different levels) will provide the joint planning and coordination (can be across communities, municipalities, districts, provinces, countries) support during designation
- Seascape planning may at times precede designation according to individual country processes.

SEASCAPE INTEGRATED PLANNING MODEL



SULU-SULAWESI SEASCAPE EXAMPLE

