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**MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN (MAP)  
REGIONAL MARINE POLLUTION EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTRE  
FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA (REMPEC)**

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Meeting of National Experts on the  
Revision of the Regional Strategy for  
Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships

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**Draft Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution  
from Ships 2016-2021**

**Corrigendum**

**Note by the Secretariat**

Replace page i of the document REMPEC/WG.36/6 with the following:



## 1 BACKGROUND

1.1 Following the adoption, in 2002, of the Protocol concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea (the 2002 Prevention and Emergency Protocol), and responding to a recommendation of the Parties to the Barcelona Convention, the 14<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention adopted, in 2005, a Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (the 2005 Regional Strategy). The 2005 Regional Strategy, designed to facilitate the implementation of the 2002 Prevention and Emergency Protocol, consists mainly of 21 objectives to be implemented by 2015.

1.2 In parallel to the preparation of the United Nations Environment Programme/Mediterranean Action Plan (UNEP/MAP)'s Integrated Six Year Programme of Work for the period 2016 to 2021 (Mid-Term Strategy), the Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development (MSSD) 2.0 and the implementation of the Ecosystem Approach (EcAp) during the biennium 2014-2015, the Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea (REMPEC) is carrying out a revision of the 2005 Regional Strategy, seen as an integral part of the MAP's Mid-Term Strategy.

1.3 The present Draft Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (2016-2021) was prepared, in consultation with REMPEC, by a Consultant engaged by the Centre. It is based on the 2005 Regional Strategy, the recommendations highlighted in the Synthetic Report (REMPEC/WG.36/4) and the Comparative report on ongoing and existing Mediterranean, European and international strategies/sectorial action plans/initiatives on marine environment protection (REMPEC/WG.36/5), which were published respectively on 4 and 6 February 2015.

1.4 The present document is submitted to the Contracting Parties at this present Meeting of National Experts on the Revision of the Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships organised by REMPEC pursuant to the Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP)'s Programme of Work for 2014-2015 adopted by the 18<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean (Barcelona Convention) and its Protocols, (Istanbul, Turkey, 3-6 December 2013), for review and comments prior to be examined by the REMPEC Focal Points Meeting, in June 2015. Its ultimate adoption will be integrated in UNEP/MAP's Mid-Term Strategy to be adopted by the 19<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention.

## 2 DRAFT REGIONAL STRATEGY STRUCTURE AND CONTENTS

2.1 The present Draft Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (2016-2021) contains twenty-one objectives to be achieved by 2021, as well as a set of implementation goals (**Annex 1**), a list of relevant international Conventions and European legislation (**Annex 2**) and a Draft estimated cost of implementation of the Revised Regional Strategy (**Annex 3**).

## 3 ACTION REQUESTED OF THE MEETING OF NATIONAL EXPERTS

3.1 **The Meeting of National Experts is invited** to examine and comment the proposed Draft Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (2016-2021) and take action as it may deem appropriate.