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Objectives of the project

Local and Regional institutions of Port Cities must deal with multiple and conflicting interests to ensure the sustainable development of their harbour and coastal zones. **IMAPS (Integrated Management of Risks and environmental factors for sustainable development of peripheral port areas)**, 2005-2007, aims at exchanging information on respective situations, networking on suitable solutions to enable risks and coastal zone protection to be addressed.

The two main components of the project are:

- **Industrial Risks Management** – the co-habitation harbour and urban activities.
- **Environmental Management** – the impacts of industrial / urban activities on the littoral environment.

Funding Stream

The IMAPS project is co-financed by the Interreg IIIc programme of Europe. The project commenced in late 2005 and is funded until December 2007. The overall project budget is €967,000 with the Isle of Wight Council having a budget of €150,000.

Outcomes

It is intended the IMAPS project will contribute to a sustainable economical/urban development of port cities, particularly focusing on the coastal environment. Specifically it is envisaged that capacity building will be a priority along with the specific formation of training programs.

Ultimately it is expected that the project will propose evolutions to regulations at local, regional, national and European level and influence the way in which authorities and institutions regulate and manage risks associated with peripheral port cities.



Partners

- Urban Community of Brest.
- High Tech Park of Brest.
- County Fire-fighting and emergency department.
- Municipality of Matosinhos.
- Water Institute of the Northern Region.
- Municipality of Tarento.
- Tarento Harbour Authority.
- City Hall of Constanza.
- University Ovidius of Constanza.
- Cadiz County Deputation.
- University of Cadiz.
- Isle of Wight Council.

