

## Country Reporting Guide for the Intergovernmental Review of the GPA 2001

### **Why Country Reporting**

The following Reporting Guide is designed to facilitate exchange of experiences obtained and barriers encountered in implementing the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities (GPA). The Reporting Guide will assist your country in:

- a) Implementing the GPA; and
- b) Actively participating in the Intergovernmental Review (IGR) of the GPA, to be held in Canada, November 2001.

The IGR is aimed to result in an agreed Work Plan 2002-2006 for Governments, UN agencies, and other stakeholders.

### **Instructions for Reporting**

**Please fill out the details below and use the Reporting Sheets, provided as Annexes, to report on initiatives and issues relevant to your country's efforts to address land based sources of marine pollution.** For more information about the GPA, please refer to the Internet: <http://www.gpa.unep.org>. All information received will be made accessible on the Internet through the GPA clearing-house. Filling out the Sheets will take about 20-30 Minutes for each initiative reported.

**IMPORTANT: Countries are not required to provide exhaustive reports of ALL activities within their country that seek to address land based sources of marine pollution. Instead, countries are invited to report specifically on representative examples and/or particularly innovative initiatives within their country.**

"Representative" is a typical example of normal practice in the country.

"Innovative" is showing change in normal practice in the country.

Country:

Date:

Regional Seas Programme(s) or Regional Treaty(s) of specific relevance to land-based activities in which country participates:

### **Details of Reporting Officer and Organisation**

Name:

Position:

Organisation:

Mailing Address:

Email Address:

Telephone:

Facsimile:

## **I Planning / Programming**

Using the reporting form provided at [Annex A](#), please provide details of 2-3 plans, policies and/or programmes currently being developed or implemented within your country, which aim to protect the marine environment from the harmful effects of land based activities. Please pay particular attention to plans/policies/ programs that reflect national (or regional) practice and/or best practice in your country.

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## **II Management Instruments**

Using the reporting form provided at [Annex B](#), please provide 2-3 examples of management instruments such as legislation, national standards, and economic instruments, that are used in your country to protect the marine environment from land-based activities.

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## **III Institutional Arrangements**

Using the reporting form provided at [Annex C](#), please provide details of 2-3 institutional arrangements in place in your country that specifically address one or more of the GPA source categories.

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## **IV Structural/Operational Measures**

Using the reporting form provided at [Annex D](#), please provide 2-3 examples from your country of measures related to infrastructure (e.g. treatment plants, technological solutions) and/or operations (e.g. cleaner production procedures, best environmental management practices) that are designed to address land based sources of marine pollution.

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## **V Scientific Monitoring and Assessment**

Using the reporting form provided at [Annex E](#), please provide details of 2-3 current scientific monitoring (i.e. regular collection of data and information) and assessment (i.e. critical analysis or appraisal of data) initiatives, relevant to the GPA, within your country. Please pay particular attention to initiatives that reflect national practice and/or best practice in your country.

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## **VI Capacity Building**

Using the reporting form provided at [Annex F](#), please provide 2-3 examples of initiatives or measures designed to increase and mobilise your country's experience and expertise to address land based sources of marine pollution.

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## **VII Public Participation**

Using the reporting form provided at Annex G, please provide 2-3 examples of initiatives or mechanisms within your country aimed at increasing the involvement of civil society in efforts to address land based sources of marine pollution.

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## **VIII Barriers**

Using the reporting form provided at Annex H, please provide an indication of current barriers/obstacles to implementing measures to protect the marine environment from land-based activities in your country.

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## **IX Opportunities**

Using the reporting form provided at Annex I, please provide examples of activities or developments within your country, related to the GPA, that present significant opportunities for your country or the region to minimise impacts from land-based activities in the marine environment.

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## **X Information Sources and National Reports**

Please list below details of major sources of information relevant to implementation of the GPA in your country (e.g. publications, internal reports, databases, Internet sites), as well as other country reports (e.g. biodiversity national reports, CSD reports).

1. Title:  
Description:
2. Title:  
Description:
3. Title:  
Description:
4. Title:  
Description:
5. Title:  
Description:
6. Title:  
Description:

<p><b>REMINDER: Please, DO NOT aim to be exhaustive; Please, DO focus on representative and/or innovative examples; Please, DO use the attached sheets.</b></p>
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## Planning / Programming

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)

(Please use one sheet for each initiative reported on)

Name of Plan/Policy/Programme:

Start date:

End date:

Is this initiative:

- |                  |                          |                 |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| National         | <input type="checkbox"/> |                 |
| Provincial/State | <input type="checkbox"/> | Province/State: |
| Municipal        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Municipality:   |
| Other            | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please specify: |

Is the initiative targeted towards: (may be more than one)

- |                    |                          |                   |                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Agriculture        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tourism           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Aquaculture        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Urban development | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Chemical industry  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Water management  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Harbours and ports | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mining             | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please specify:   |                          |
| Road transport     | <input type="checkbox"/> |                   |                          |

Please indicate which of the GPA source categories is addressed through this initiative (may be more than one):

- |   |                          |                       |                          |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Sewage  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Oils (Hydrocarbons)   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Persistent Organic Pollutants                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Nutrients             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Radioactive Substances                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sediment Mobilisation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Heavy Metals                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | and Litter            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Physical Alterations and Destruction of Habitat | <input type="checkbox"/> |                       |                          |

Does the initiative contribute to a:

(If not, please do not tick)

- |                     |                          |               |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Regional initiative | <input type="checkbox"/> | If so, which: |
| Global initiative   | <input type="checkbox"/> | If so, which: |

Is the initiative addressed at: (please select one or more)

- |            |                          |                 |                          |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Government | <input type="checkbox"/> | Indigenous      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Industry   | <input type="checkbox"/> | NGOs            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Academia   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Community  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please specify: |                          |

ANNEX A (page 2)

Please provide details of institutions implementing the initiative, including contact details of relevant institutions/individuals:

Please provide a brief description of the initiative, including aims and objectives, programme components, relative importance and costs (US\$), why it is representative or particularly innovative, and success of the initiative to date:

Please provide a brief description of indicators for this initiative, and measures in place to evaluate its effectiveness:

What would you want to identify as the main “lesson learned” in applying this mechanism, which other Governments and stakeholders should bear in mind?

## Management Instruments

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)  
 (Please use one sheet for each initiative reported on)

Name of Management Instrument:

Category of instrument:	
Legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regulatory measure (e.g. permits, standards)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Subsidy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tax	<input type="checkbox"/>
Voluntary initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Is this instrument:	
National	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provincial/State	<input type="checkbox"/> Province/State:
Municipal	<input type="checkbox"/> Municipality:
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Please specify:

Is the initiative targeted towards: (may be more than one)			
Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tourism	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aquaculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemical industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water management	<input type="checkbox"/>
Harbours and ports	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mining	<input type="checkbox"/>	Please specify:	
Road transport	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Please indicate which of the GPA source categories is addressed through this initiative (may be more than one):			
Sewage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oils (Hydrocarbons)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Persistent Organic Pollutants	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nutrients	<input type="checkbox"/>
Radioactive Substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sediment Mobilisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heavy Metals	<input type="checkbox"/>	and Litter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Alterations and Destruction of Habitat	<input type="checkbox"/>		

If the instrument is of financial nature, please indicate the use of generated funds:
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ANNEX B (page 2)

Please provide a brief description of the instrument, its objectives and anticipated outcomes, and why it is representative or particularly innovative:

Please provide a brief description of indicators for this initiative, and of how, when and who will evaluate the instrument:

Where applicable, please provide a brief outline of approaches used to encourage / enforce compliance with this management instrument (e.g. self-reporting, awards, inspections, penalties, voluntary agreements, partnerships, and financial incentives):

What would you want to identify as the main “lesson learned” in applying this instrument, which other Governments and stakeholders should bear in mind?

## Institutional Arrangements

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)  
(Please use one sheet for each institution reported on)

Name of institution / organisation:

Internet address (URL):

Address:

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Is the institution / organisation:

- |                  |                          |                 |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| National         | <input type="checkbox"/> |                 |
| Provincial/State | <input type="checkbox"/> | Province/State: |
| Municipal        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Municipality:   |
| Other            | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please specify: |

Please indicate which of the GPA source categories the institution / organisation addresses (may be more than one):

- |  |                          |                       |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Sewage   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Oils (Hydrocarbons)   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Persistent Organic Pollutants  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Nutrients             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Radioactive Substances   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sediment Mobilisation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Heavy Metals   | <input type="checkbox"/> | and Litter            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Physical Alterations and Destruction of Habitat <input type="checkbox"/> |                          |                       |                          |

Please provide a brief description of the institution or collaborating institutions, including the history, size, objectives, major achievements, collaborating mechanisms, and why the initiative is representative or particularly innovative:

## Structural / Operational Measures<sup>1)</sup>

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)  
(Please use one sheet for each structural or operational reported on)

Name of structural or operational measure:

Is this initiative:

- |                  |                          |                 |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| National         | <input type="checkbox"/> |                 |
| Provincial/State | <input type="checkbox"/> | Province/State: |
| Municipal        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Municipality:   |
| Other            | <input type="checkbox"/> | please specify: |

Please indicate which of the GPA source categories is addressed through this measure (may be more than one):

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sewage  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Oils (Hydrocarbons)      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Persistent Organic Pollutants                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Nutrients                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Radioactive Substances                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sediment Mobilisation    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Heavy Metals                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | and Litter               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Physical Alterations and Destruction of Habitat |                          | <input type="checkbox"/> |                          |

Please provide a brief description of this structural or operational measure, including the relative importance and costs (US\$), and why this initiative is representative or particularly innovative:

Please provide a brief description of indicators for this initiative, and of the procedures either planned or in place to evaluate the effectiveness of this measure:

<sup>1)</sup> These may include measures on best technical means or best available techniques, as well as infrastructural measures including construction of facilities.

## Scientific Monitoring and Assessment

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)  
 (Please use one sheet for each initiative reported on)

Name of Initiative:

Start date:

End date:

Is the focus of the initiative:	Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/>
	Assessment <input type="checkbox"/>
	Research <input type="checkbox"/>
	Both <input type="checkbox"/>

Is this initiative:	
National <input type="checkbox"/>	
Provincial/State <input type="checkbox"/>	Province/State: <input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal <input type="checkbox"/>	Municipality: <input type="checkbox"/>
Other <input type="checkbox"/>	please specify: <input type="checkbox"/>
Please provide a short description of the initiatives location and geographic scope:	

Is the initiative being conducted by: (please select one or more)	
Government <input type="checkbox"/>	
Industry <input type="checkbox"/>	
Academia <input type="checkbox"/>	
Community <input type="checkbox"/>	
Indigenous <input type="checkbox"/>	
NGOs <input type="checkbox"/>	
Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Please specify: <input type="checkbox"/>
Please provide details of the executing institution conducting the initiative, including contact details:	
Please indicate why the initiative is representative or particularly innovative, and what is the relative importance or cost (US\$):	



## Capacity Building

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)  
(Please use one sheet for each initiative/activity reported on)

Name of initiative / activity:

Start date:

End date:

Is this initiative/activity:

- |                  |                          |                 |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| National         | <input type="checkbox"/> |                 |
| Provincial/State | <input type="checkbox"/> | Province/State: |
| Municipal        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Municipality:   |
| Other            | <input type="checkbox"/> | please specify: |

Is the initiative / activity aimed at: (please select one or more)

- |                 |                          |                                 |                          |
|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Government      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Planning/programming            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Industry        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Management instruments          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Academia        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Structural/operational measures | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Community       | <input type="checkbox"/> | Monitoring/assessment           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Indigenous      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Evaluation/enforcement          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| NGOs            | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other                           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other           | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please specify:                 |                          |
| Please specify: |                          |                                 |                          |

Please provide a short description of this initiative / activity, including which capacities are going to be or have been improved, the relative importance or cost (US\$), and why this initiative is representative or particularly innovative:

Please describe the indicators for this initiative, and measures in place to evaluate its effectiveness:

## Public Participation

(No exhaustive reporting; 2-3 representative or innovative examples only, please.)  
 (Please use one sheet for each initiative/mechanism reported on)

Name of initiative / mechanism:

Is this initiative/mechanism:	
National	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provincial/State	<input type="checkbox"/> Province/State:
Municipal	<input type="checkbox"/> Municipality:
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> please specify:

Please indicate which of the GPA source categories is addressed through this initiative (may be more than one):			
Sewage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oils (Hydrocarbons)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Persistent Organic Pollutants	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nutrients	<input type="checkbox"/>
Radioactive Substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sediment Mobilisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heavy Metals	<input type="checkbox"/>	and Litter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Alterations and Destruction of Habitat <input type="checkbox"/>			

Please provide a brief description of this initiative / mechanism, including its history, successes and failures, level of public involvement, etc:

Please describe the indicators for this initiative and the procedures either planned or in place to evaluate the effectiveness of this initiative / mechanism:

What would you want to identify as the main “lesson learned” in applying this mechanism, which other Governments and stakeholders should bear in mind?

## Barriers

In which of the following areas do barriers to implementing measures to protect the marine environment from land-based activities in your country exist? Please note that this pertains to all initiatives. (more than one may apply)

- |                                 |                          |                      |                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Planning / Programming          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Capacity building    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Management instruments          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Public participation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Institutional arrangements      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Evaluation           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Structural/operational measures | <input type="checkbox"/> | Compliance           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Monitoring and Assessment       | <input type="checkbox"/> |                      |                          |

At what level do the majority of barriers exist:

- |          |                          |            |                          |
|----------|--------------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| National | <input type="checkbox"/> | Provincial | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Local    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other      | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please elaborate on the nature of major barriers within your country to addressing land based sources of marine pollution, including what is needed to overcome these barriers:

## Opportunities

(Please use one sheet for each opportunity reported on)

**Opportunities are external developments that may induce, strengthen or support the feasibility or efficacy of measures. This includes socio-economic developments (such as integrated coastal zone management and tourism development), and public or political awareness and perception (such as accident or conflict triggered).**

Brief description of the opportunity or external development (e.g. nature of development, scope, timeframe, cost, and current status):

Which of the GPA source categories does the opportunity or external development relates to? (More then one may apply)

- |  |                          |                       |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Sewage   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Oils (Hydrocarbons)   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Persistent Organic Pollutants  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Nutrients             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Radioactive Substances   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sediment Mobilisation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Heavy Metals   | <input type="checkbox"/> | and Litter            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Physical Alterations and Destruction of Habitat <input type="checkbox"/> |                          |                       |                          |

Does this opportunity relate to (more then one may apply):

- |  |                          |                |
|--|--------------------------|----------------|
| Environmental protection or conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> |                |
| Economic development                     | <input type="checkbox"/> |                |
| Research and development                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |                |
| Public health                            | <input type="checkbox"/> |                |
| Political awareness                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |                |
| Other                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Please specify |

Please provide a short description of the opportunity or development, and what synergies with GPA implementation you expect for your country or region.