TRANSBOUNDARY MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING: A REFLEXIVE MARINE GOVERNANCE EXPERIMENT?

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Introduction

- Fragmentation
  - Conceptual
  - Institutional
- TMSP: Experiences from European Seas
  - MASPNOSE
  - Plan Bothnia + BaltSeaPlan
  - TPEA (Transboundary Planning in the European Atlantic)
- Lessons learnt from these examples
- Reflexivity and reflexive governance
  - Forms of reflexivity
- TMSP: a reflexive governance experience?
Conceptual fragmentation

- Dominant MSP paradigm
  - Ordered and rational approach
  - It enables sectoral integration
  - addresses future resources in a sustainable way
  - Overcomes inefficiencies from fragmented governance regimes
  - Mechanism for stakeholder participation
Conceptual fragmentation

• Critical and radical approaches
  • Equity
  • Unequal access to planning processes
  • Cultural differences
  • Missing layer of the social landscape
  • Co-existence of different governance systems

• Transboundary MSP
  • Jointly managing a marine area
  • Imperative for transboundary planning stronger at sea than on land
Institutional fragmentation

- Institutional setting of regional seas
  - Regime complexes (forming institutional orders)
  - Emerging network state
  - Networked polity
    - Programmers and switchers
TMSP experiences in European seas

- The North Sea
  - MASPNOSE (preparatory action on Maritime Spatial Planning in the North Sea)
- The Baltic Sea
  - Plan Bothnia
  - BaltSeaPlan
- The European Atlantic
  - TPEA (Transboundary Planning in the European Atlantic)
MASPNOSE

The Thornton Bank

The Dogger Bank

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Plan Bothnia
OVERVIEW OF BALTSEAPLAN PILOT PROJECTS

From BaltSeaPlan Report No. 9
Lessons learnt

- Growing urgency to deal with problems at the regional sea level
- Tension between jurisdictional rights and ecosystem dynamics
- Tensions between national interests, differences of governance and procedural obstacles
Reflexivity

- Self-confrontation, resulting in rule-altering politics
- Congruence
  - Strategic-internal congruence
  - Structural congruence
- Mobilization
  - Action-oriented mobilization
  - Performative mobilization
Forms of reflexivity

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Learn from pilot projects
Organize knowledge production
Transfer of responsibilities – issues of power
  • Bordering capabilities – relational and dispositional power
  • Use of Stories
    • Of change (‘is-only-an-illusion-story) and power (conspiracy and ‘blame-the-victim’)
  • Identify and assign “programmers and switchers”

TMSP: a reflexive governance arrangement?
THANK YOU

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION