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SSAP Angelshark Mediterranean Working Group

WORKING GROUP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SINGLE SPECIES ACTION PLAN FOR THE ANGELSHARK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

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2ND MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SINGLE SPECIES ACTION PLAN FOR THE ANGELSHARK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA (ANGELSHARK MED WG2)
Bonn, Germany, 3 December 2026
Agenda Item 10

DRAFT COSTED PROGRAMME OF WORK 2027

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

Summary

1. This document proposes a draft costed Programme of Work (cPOW) for 2027, outlining the core tasks, key implementing partners, and estimated costs essential to support the implementation of the Single Species Action Plan for the Angelshark in the Mediterranean Sea (SSAP Angelshark Med), particularly its overall coordination and governance. The draft cPOW is presented in Annex 1.

2. These core tasks include monitoring SSAP Angelshark Med progress, facilitating communication and information exchange among members of the Angelshark Med WG, and organising regular meetings and collaborative platforms. They promote alignment, transparency and consistency across implementation activities and enable effective participation by stakeholders, including Range States, scientific institutions and non-governmental organizations. The cPOW also includes selected high- and medium-priority tasks based on decisions taken at the 1st Working Group meeting in 2025.

3. The POW does not include other implementation projects beyond the core coordination tasks described above. Such projects are expected to be undertaken by Parties or by implementing partners with support from Parties. In a separate document (UNEP/CMS/AngelsharkWG2/Inf.7), the Secretariat presents a list of concept notes for projects aimed at implementing the SSAP Angelshark Med, submitted to the Secretariat in response to its request to members of the Working Group circulated on 4 November 2026.

4. Additional activities may be added to the cPOW, according to the decisions and actions agreed at this meeting (Angelshark WG2).

Action Requested:

5. The Working Group is requested to:

   a) Review and agree on the costed Programme of Work presented in Annex 1;
   b) Suggest any additional actions to be added to the Programme of Work;
   c) Review concept notes submitted by working group members; and
   d) Make pledges and/or endorse activities for fundraising.

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No	Activity, Goal, Deliverables	SSAP objective and priority	Responsible entity	Required funding (USD)	Total required funding (USD) *including 10% Programme support costs (PSC)*	Status / Comments
1	**Coordination** Facilitating communication, collaboration, implementation, fundraising and monitoring: — Collecting and compiling information on implementation of the SSAP by Range States and Partners; — Preparing an annual summary report on implementation; — Preparing meeting, documents and presentations; — Leading communication with members of the Angelshark Med WG, the Secretariat, and relevant stakeholders and experts; and — Assisting with fundraising and development/assessment of project proposals.	**Objective 4** **Action 4.1** Provide Resources (Priority: High) and **Action 4.2** Establish an international working group (IntWG) for the Mediterranean region (Priority: High)	SSAP Coordinator (to be recruited by CMS) 60 working days per anno	24,600	**27,798**	Funding secured by Principality of Monaco.
2	**Meetings** — Organizing and holding the 3rd Meeting of the Angelshark Med WG (in person / online); and — Organizing and holding regular online calls as required. —		Consultant/ Secretariat support/Venue/ Catering	5,500	**6,215**	To be defined. If costs can be covered by the host, this item is not needed.
3	**Travel** Participating at relevant meetings		SSAP Coordinator	10,000	**11,300**	Includes travel costs, organisation of side events for relevant meetings

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4	**Secretariat Services:** — Overall oversight; — Project management; — Finance management; — Conference management; and — Staff recruitment & management.		CMS staff time: P3 and P4 and, Finance Assistant, Conference Services	n/a	n/a	In kind
5	**Data Management** - Update, host and manage the Angel Shark Sightings Map and shared database; and - Serve as the data controller to compile and analyse data for use by the Angelshark Med WG.	**Objective 2** **Action 2.1** Data collation (Priority: High)	Angel Shark Conservation Network (ASCN)	12,000	13,560	Includes costs for staff and outputs
6	**Spatial Advice** - Compile data and updating of spatial advice document and recommendations with new data; and - Submit report to next Angelshark Med WG meeting.	**Objective 1** **Action 2.2** Habitat Modelling (Priority: High) **Action 2.5** Role of current MPA network (Priority: Medium)	Consultant	3,000	3,390	Includes costs for staff and outputs

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		Objective 4 **Action 4.3** Appraise protected areas (Priority: Medium)				
7	**Awareness and Outreach** — Develop, produce, and distribute educational materials and toolkits across the species' range, while maintaining the ASCN website as a central hub for resources and awareness campaigns. — Recreational Fisheries Engagement: Create and share a code of conduct tailored for recreational fishers to minimize impacts on angel sharks. — Citizen Science Initiatives: Design, promote, and circulate materials to engage citizen scientists in data collection and awareness efforts.	**Objective 1** **Action 1.3** Awareness programmes (Priority: Essential) **Objective 3** **Action 3.3** Recreational fishery (Priority: High) **Action 3.4** Citizen science (Priority: Medium)	Angel Shark Conservation Network (ASCN)	9,000	10,170	Includes costs for staff and outputs

No	Activity, Goal, Deliverables	SSAP objective and priority	Responsible entity	Required funding (USD)	Total required funding (USD) *including 10% Programme support costs (PSC)*	Status / Comments
	Total costs			**64,100**	**72,433**	
	Total funded			24,600	**27,798**	Pledged by Principality of Monaco for the Coordinator post
	Total funding needed			**39,500**	**44,635**	

PSC amounts are calculated at 13% of the corresponding funding figures.

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