Providing Decision Support Tools to Local Institutions, the Case of Ricama

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Abstract

With the present paper we report on an on-going effort to develop a framework for Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Regione Abruzzo, Italy. We particularly recall the idea of shaping existing "tools" to support decision making processes in the coastal zone. Reference is made in particular to EIA and SEA and to the idea of using the management structure defined by ISO14000 as a reference for organising an Environmental Management System for the coastal zone of Regione Abruzzo. We do not examine here all the elements and the activities of the RICAMA Project, rather we introduce those elements which are more characterising for structuring an ICZM framework for the Regione Abruzzo.