#### 2020



Application case: EB-ICZM for Tyre Coast Nature Reserve Report type: Thematic Scoping for Application Case (System Matrix)

Item	Description	Key management issues	Key stakeholders	
niophysical ystems	=> Identify each of the main components which constitute the key coastal and marine biophysical systems (e.g. climate; hydrological and hydrogeological system; coastal vegetation types; wetlands; mangroves; rocky coast; dunes and beaches; marine prairies; coral reefs, cayos).	=> Identify the most important management issues (e.g. resource uses and/or conflicts; ecological problems/threats) and try to associate them with the related "biophysical component" by listing each of them in the same line as that of the related component.	=> Identify the most important stakeholders (e.g. institutional management, data provider, resources user) and try to associate them with the related "biophysical component" by listing each of them in the same line as that of the related component.	
	=> Use one line for each of the components (and add as many lines as needed).	=> Use one bullet (=>) for each of the management issues (and add as many lines as needed).	=> Use one bullet (=>) for each of the stakeholders (and add as many lines as needed).	
wetland	Wetland is designated as Ramsar site.	Presence of an invasive plant species "Heterotheca subaxillaris", spreading at the expense of the natural wetland flora, and threatening the ecosystem's well being.	Institutional management (TCNR management team). Scientific expertise (flora experts).	
Springs of Ras El Ain	Srpings are located in n the Agricultural zone of the reserve, provide domestic water to Tyre city and its suburbs, irrigation water to Ras El Ain lands, and flow out into the sea constituting an Estuary, due to the mixture of salt and fresh waters.	Pollution with agrochemicals     B. Possible leakage of formal dumpsite's leachates to the groundwater sources of Ras El Ain.	Farmers (A). Union of Tyre Municipalities (B). OMSAR (B). Ministry of Environment (B). Institutional management (TCNR management team) (A & B). Institutional management (TCNR management team). Municipality of Tyre. Ministry of Environment. International organizations involved in endangered sea turtles' conservation (SPA RAC; IUCN; MedPAN).	
Sand Dunes ecosystem	Located in the conservation zone, with well-established relative vegetation.  Important nesting site for sea turtles (Caretta caretta).	Disturbance and vandalism by trespassing polluters. Disturbance from the adjacent touristic zone's activities.		
sandy beach	The most beautiful and cleanest public beach in Lebanon.	Size of visitors during the beach season overcoming the carrying capacity of the touristic zone, stretching beyond the region covered by the 50 permitted kiosks (temporary hut-restaurants) by Ministry of Environment to both sides (northern and southern sides of the beach uncovered by the kiosks' services) by independent tourists who don't abide by the eco-rules imposed on the owners of the kiosks exploiting the beach during the summer.	Institutional management (TCNR management team). Municipality of Tyre. Ministry of Environment.	
plant species	=> Identify key groups of species which, for any reason, are of particular interest for the management of the focused ecosystems (e.g. endemic; threatened; invasive; commercial. Note that plant-communities/habitat may be already included under Vegetation-Types).	=> Identify the most important management issues (e.g. resource uses and/or conflicts; ecological problems/threats)	=> Identify the most important stakeholders (e.g. institutional management, data provider, resources user) and try to associate them with the related "biophysical component" by listing each of them in the same line as that of the related component.	
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rare / threatened species	Ficus sycomorus. Pancratimum maritimum.	Depend on the sand dunes' habitat, which is degrading on the national level, hence became threatened species.	Farmers of Ras El Ain/TCNR agricultural zone (for F. sycomorus). Visitors/Trespassers of the Conservation zone where P. maritimum is found. Institutional management (TCNR management team). Ministry of Environment.	
endemic species	Astragalus berytheus.	Endemic to the Lebanese and Palestinian sea shores, with habitat as sand dunes that aren't found but in TCNR in Lebanon.	Institutional management (TCNR management team). Ministry of Environment.	
invasive species	Heterotheca subaxillaris.	Wind-transported seeds from Palestine. Well established in the sand dunes of TCNR's Conservation zone.	Institutional management (TCNR management team). Scientific/Academic expertise (flora experts).	
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Med4EBM Execution of the first Stakeholders' Workshop/Webinar (with the scientific community to collect first set of data about TCNR's ecosystems) on February 26th.

Execution of 2nd and 3rd sessions with Local Stakeholders in presence on March 19th (farmers, fishermen, tourism sector operators).

The second Stakeholders Workshop/Webinar with the scientific community is scheduled on the 23rd of March, to build the matrices.

The economic crisis accompanied with demonstrations, road closures, gas unavailability for mobility, complicated and hindered in some cases the execution of some planned activities, or reaching our premises to interact with our stakeholders.

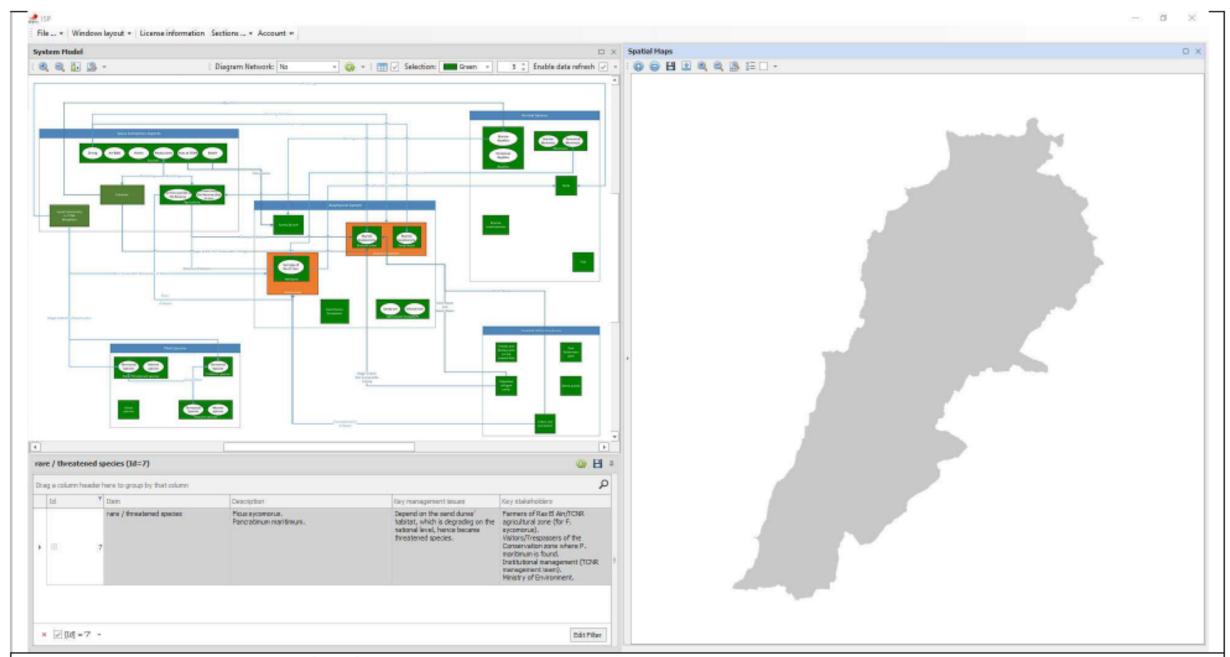
Organizing 3rd and 4th stakeholders workshops (with the scientific community) to work on the diagrams on the tentative dates of 8th and 9th of April. Executing the first thematic event.

Oil spill that hit the southern Lebanese shores (several waves: Feb. 22nd, March 12th and 20th), including those of the PA Tyre Coast Nature Reserve

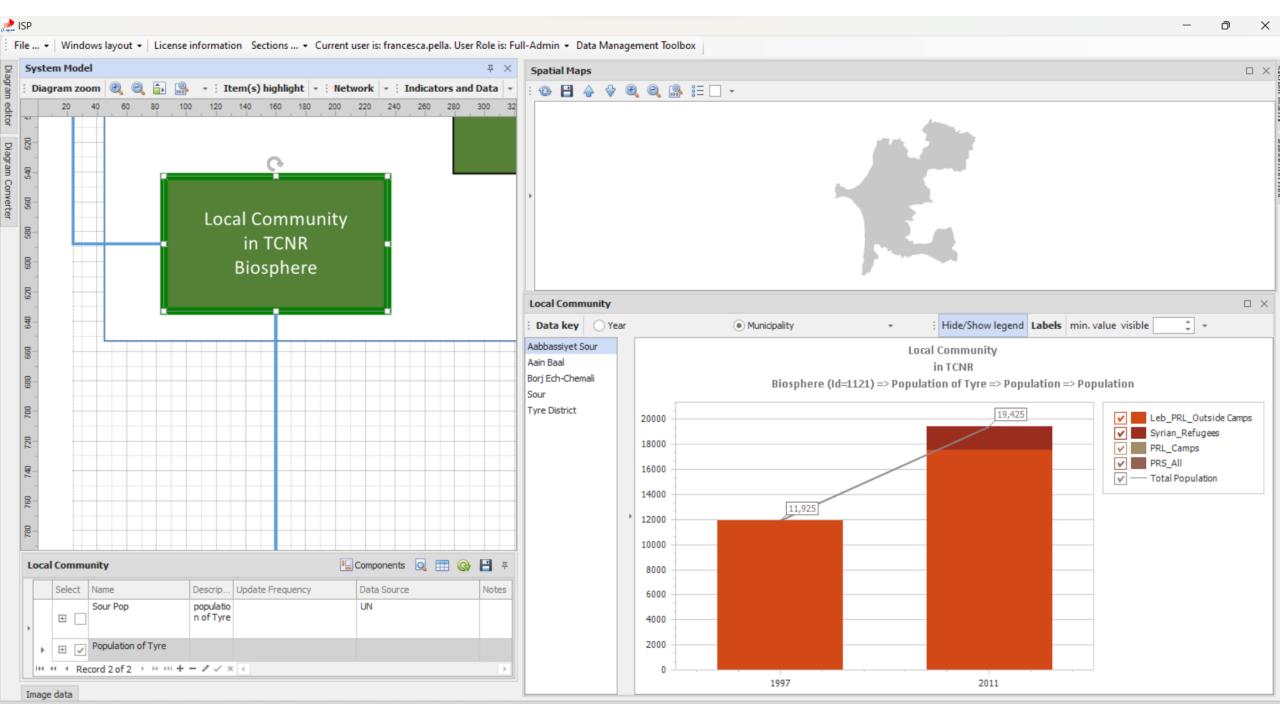


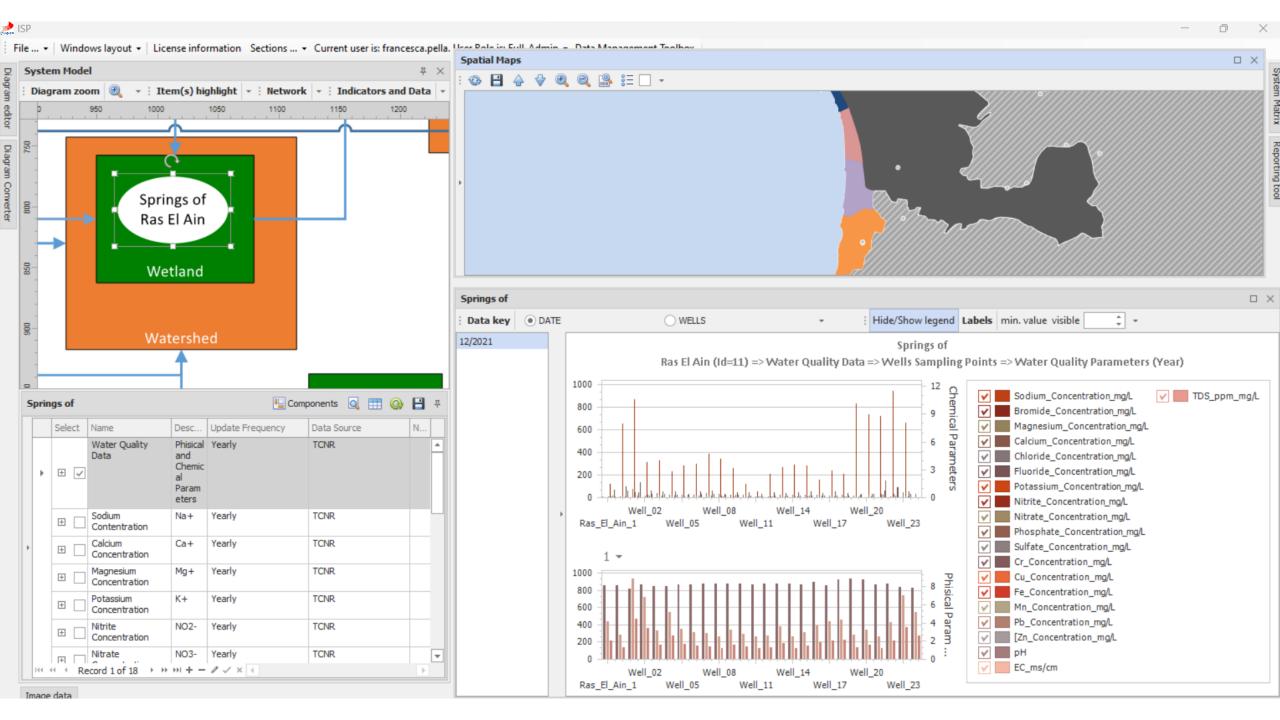


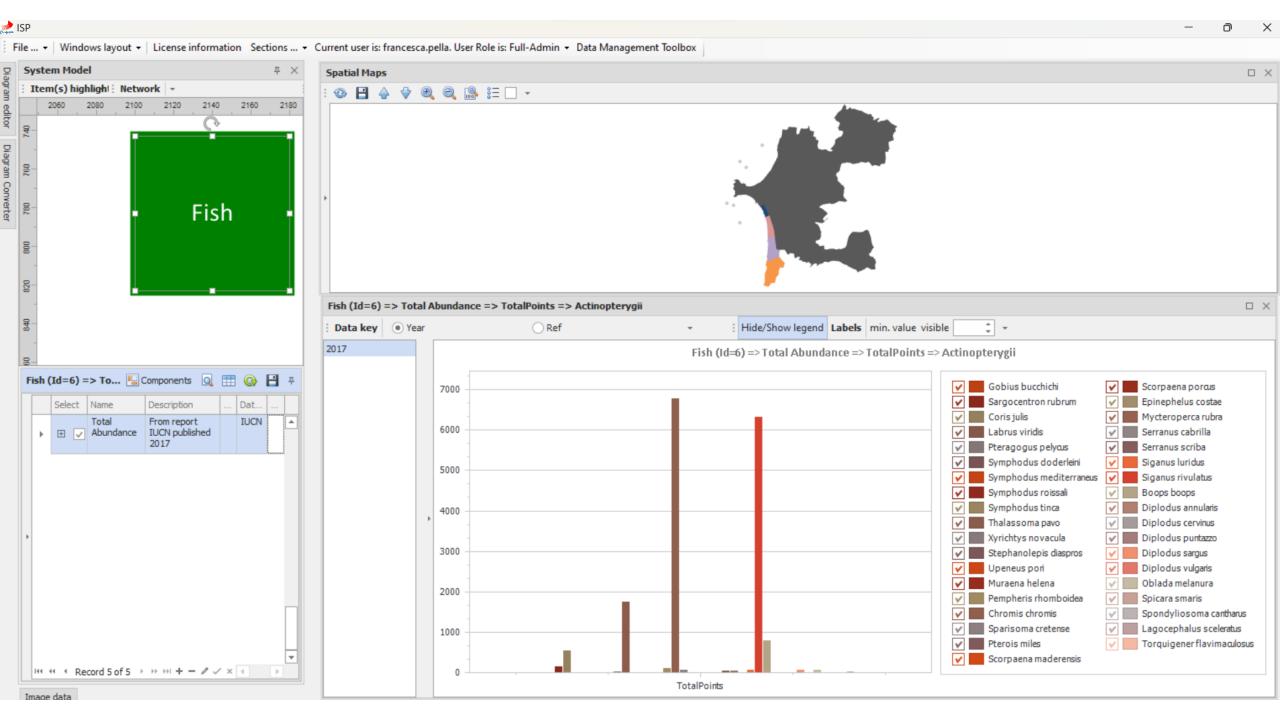




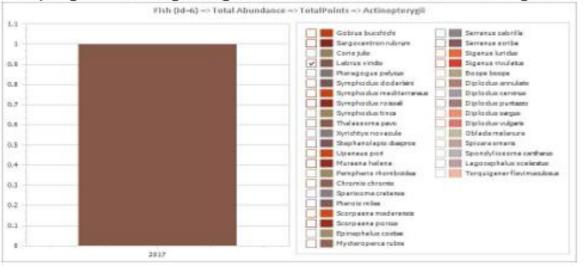
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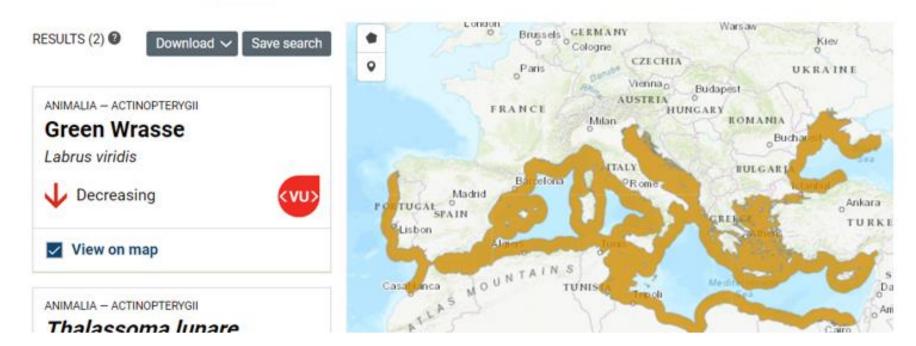




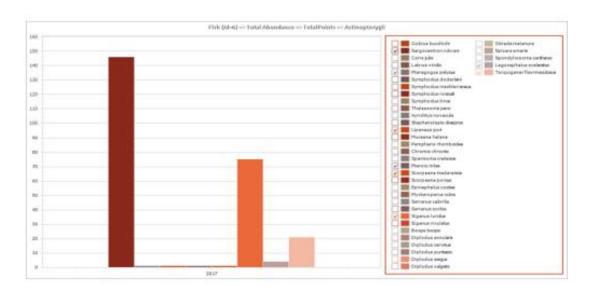
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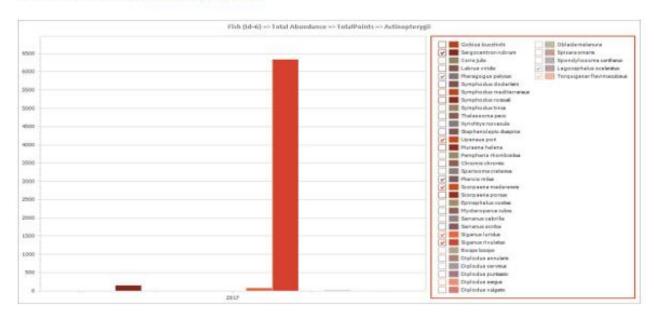
Labrus viridis is a vulnerable species (IUCN red list)
Inside the IUCN red list website the species is not reported.

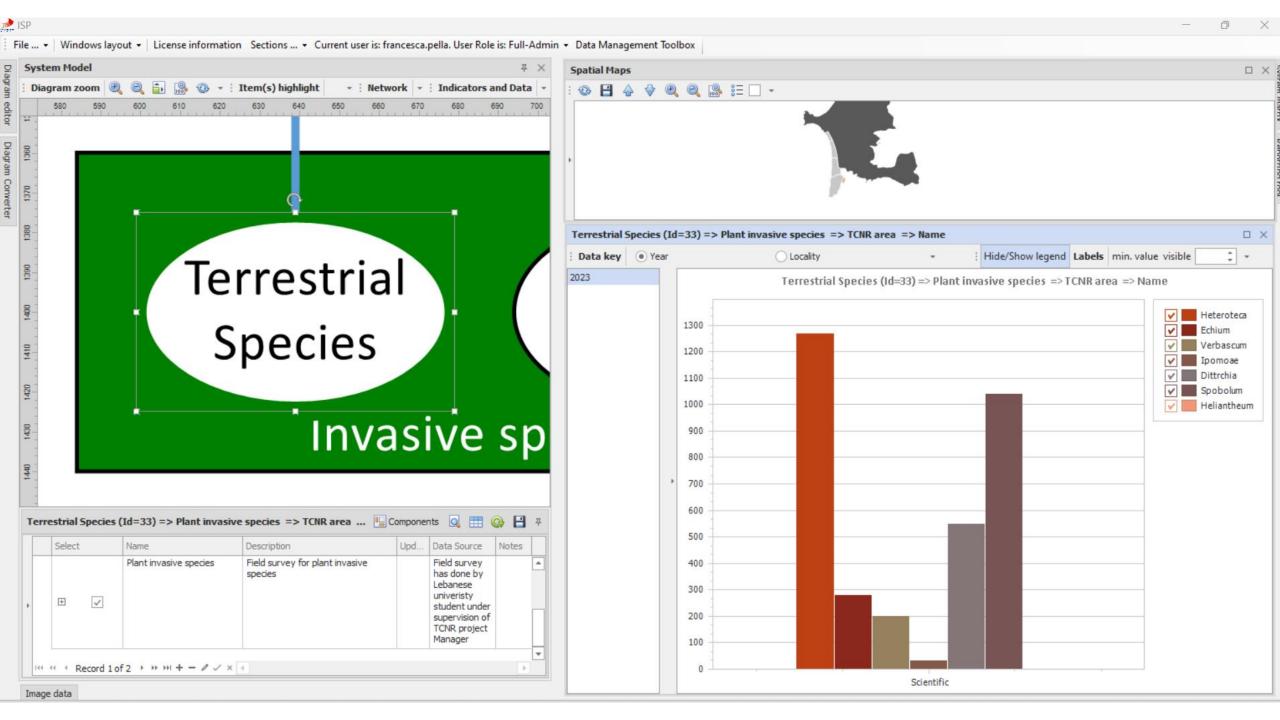


### Fish: alien species recorded around Tyre are, 2017

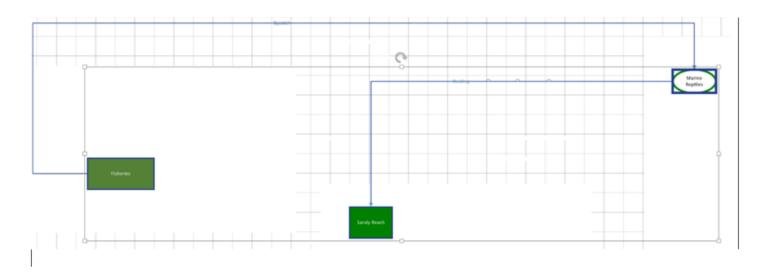


#### Graph including Siganus rivulatus:





## ASSESSMENT OF CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECOSYSTEMS IN THE COASTAL-MARINE AREA OF TYRE COAST NATURE RESERVE, LEBANON



# System cause-effect analysis: Animal and plant species, biophysical system.

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		Component		Direct Interaction with other components						
N.	N.	Name	Quantitative analysis	Related Component	Component quantitative analysis Description of the interaction between components	Management options/Governance Protocols				
	9	[Marine Reptiles (Id=1095)]	It is inside the Container called [Animal Species (Id=10)], [Reptiles (Id=5)] Component, in which there are two subcomponents: marine and terrestrial reptiles.  There are records of species of marine turtles: Caretta caretta and Chelonia mydas.  There is an ongoing project, called "Conservation of marine turtles in the Med sea". It protects the nests on the		System".					

