

new OSPAR NEAES 2030. OSPAR continues to take forward activities to support Contracting Parties' national, regional and global ambitions with regard to the protection and conservation of the marine environment. A comprehensive review of progress on delivering the NEAES 2010-2020 has been completed and will be published following the OSPAR Ministerial Meeting planned for the 1 October 2021.

The new NEAES 2030 will place a strong emphasis on addressing the three challenges of pollution, biodiversity loss and climate change and to enhance regional cooperation to ensure a sustainably used and healthy North-East Atlantic.

The sections below relate to Part IX (Marine environment and marine resources) of UN Resolution (a) and (b) and (c) (I)-

regional eutrophication assessments. Similarly, OSPAR experts are making progress towards a hazardous substances thematic assessment using an online tool and this will also contribute to the QSR.

HASEC is reviewing and rationalising OSPAR's List of Chemicals for Priority Action and List of Substances of Possible Concern. The work will be informed by the

Biodiversity Committee (BDC)

The Biodiversity Committee continued work to implement the collective actions for protecting threatened and/or declining species and habitats. Regional coordination and collaboration are required to effectively protect these features, and this work is organised in OSPAR through the implementation of the 'Roadmap for the implementation of collective actions within the Recommendations for the protection and conservation of OSPAR listed Species and Habitats'. Implementation work during the last year included development of communication materials.

The Report on the Status of the OSPAR Network of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) for 2020 was published by OSPAR in 2021. By 1 October 2020, the OSPAR Network of MPAs comprised 552 MPAs, including 7 MPAs

