**1st DRAFT PROPOSAL TO PREPARE AN AMSP (2015-2025) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

PROCESS, TIMELINE AND OUTLINE

# Introduction

The aim of the development of a plan of Implementation for the AMSP 2015-2025 forty strategic actions is to provide a structured approach that tracks follow-up activities (new and ongoing) in close coordination and cooperation with other Arctic Council working groups with overall guidance from the SAOs.

# Roadmap for the development of the AMSP Implementation Plan

1. Analyze each strategic action and identify ongoing activities/projects/tasks.
2. Identify gaps and needs (by PAME, by other Arctic Council working groups, by other processes).
3. Propose future implementation options/projects (these are tentative and subject to the Arctic Council direction and respective chairmanship priorities).
4. Review options and develop outline of activities as relevant.
5. Inclusion in PAMEs biennial work plans and other Arctic Council working groups work plans as relevant.
6. Set priorities based on:
	1. New and emerging knowledge affecting the Arctic marine environment (focusing on conservation and the sustainable use of the Arctic marine environment that supports environmental, socio-cultural, and economic values).
	2. Circumpolar Arctic perspective.
	3. Key finding and recommendations of ongoing or new studies by the Arctic Council working groups and others.
	4. Setting of priorities will be revisited and feedback provided as required.

## Main activities and Timeline

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| **Development of the AMSP 2015-2025 implementation plan** |
| ***Activities*** | ***Timeline*** |
| Prepare and send out for review 1st draft roadmap for the development of the AMSP Implementation Plan and the AMSP matrix (Annexes I and II) in preparation for PME II-2015. |  18 Aug 2015 |
| Review proposed process and submit comments at PAME II-2015. | 15-17 Sep 2015 |
| Revise the implementation proposal (including Annexes I and II) based on comments received and send out 2nd draft to PAME and other Arctic Council working groups. | 2nd Oct 2015 |
| Prepare and convene for the 1st one-day consultation venue with other Arctic Council working groups back-to-back with the 20-22 October SAO meeting to ensure an inclusive consultation and coordination with other Arctic Council working groups. | 19 Oct 2015 |
| Comments due on 2nd draft implementation proposal. | 20 Nov 2015 |
| Revise and prepare 3rd draft proposal and send to PAME and other Arctic Council working groups for comments. | 20 Dec 2015 |
| Comments due  | 20 Jan 2016 |
| Prepare final draft proposal based on comments received and send out prior to the PAME I-2016 and other Arctic Council working groups for comments/inputs. | End of Jan 2016 |
| Convene the 2nd one-day consultation venue back-to-back with the PAME I-2016 meeting and invite other Arctic Council working group representatives to ensure an inclusive consultation and coordination with other Arctic Council working groups. | Back-to-back with PAME I-2016 |
| Agree on revisions and modifications | PAME I-2016 |
| Prepare final version of the AMSP 2015-2025 Implementation Plan and submit to the SAO meeting for their guidance and approval | Mar 2016 |
| Develop the 1st Status Report of the AMSP Implementation for the period 2015-2017 (in a similar manner to the AMSA progress reports)Develop specific projects into the PAME Work Plan 2017-2019 based on guidance and agreement by SAOs and Arctic Council Ministers. | Apr 2016-Apr 2017 |

# Annex I - Draft Outline of the AMSP 2015-2025 Implementation Plan

(1st draft presented as a separate document)

# Annex II – AMSP 2015-2025 Strategic Actions Matrix

(1st draft presented as a separate spreadsheet)