

Key emerging water legislation (International and European)

Emerging policy areas	Notes
<p>Marine Framework Directive. Will be based upon Article 175 of the Treaty of the European Community (1957) and applicable to all European Marine Waters.</p>	<p>To define/ establish ecosystem-based marine regions as the implementation unit. They will be defined on the basis of their hydrological, oceanographic and biogeographic features.</p> <p>An Implementation Plan, defined as an integrated framework for the adaptive management of human activities impacting on the marine region, would be prepared for each marine region.</p>