

# Legal framework for EU marine protected areas

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# This presentation will cover:

1. The international context
2. Relevant EU legislation
3. Management measures
4. Art 11 of the CFP
5. Member State environmental/conervation legislation and MPAs

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- ClientEarth is a non-profit environmental law organisation
- We use law, science and policy to tackle key environmental challenges
- We work on climate change, energy, environmental justice, biodiversity (including fisheries), forests and human health

# The International Context

- OSPAR Convention – ecologically coherent network of MPAs by 2012
- Convention on Biological Diversity's Aichi Biodiversity Targets includes protecting 10% of coastal and marine areas by 2020
- Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (RAMSAR)



# Relevant EU legislation

- Birds Directive (SPAs)
  - Habitats Directive (SACs)
    - Annex 1 → habitats
    - Annex 2 → species
- } “Natura 2000 network”
- Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD)
    - ‘coherent and representative networks of MPAs by 2016 at the latest’

# Habitats Directive – Article 6

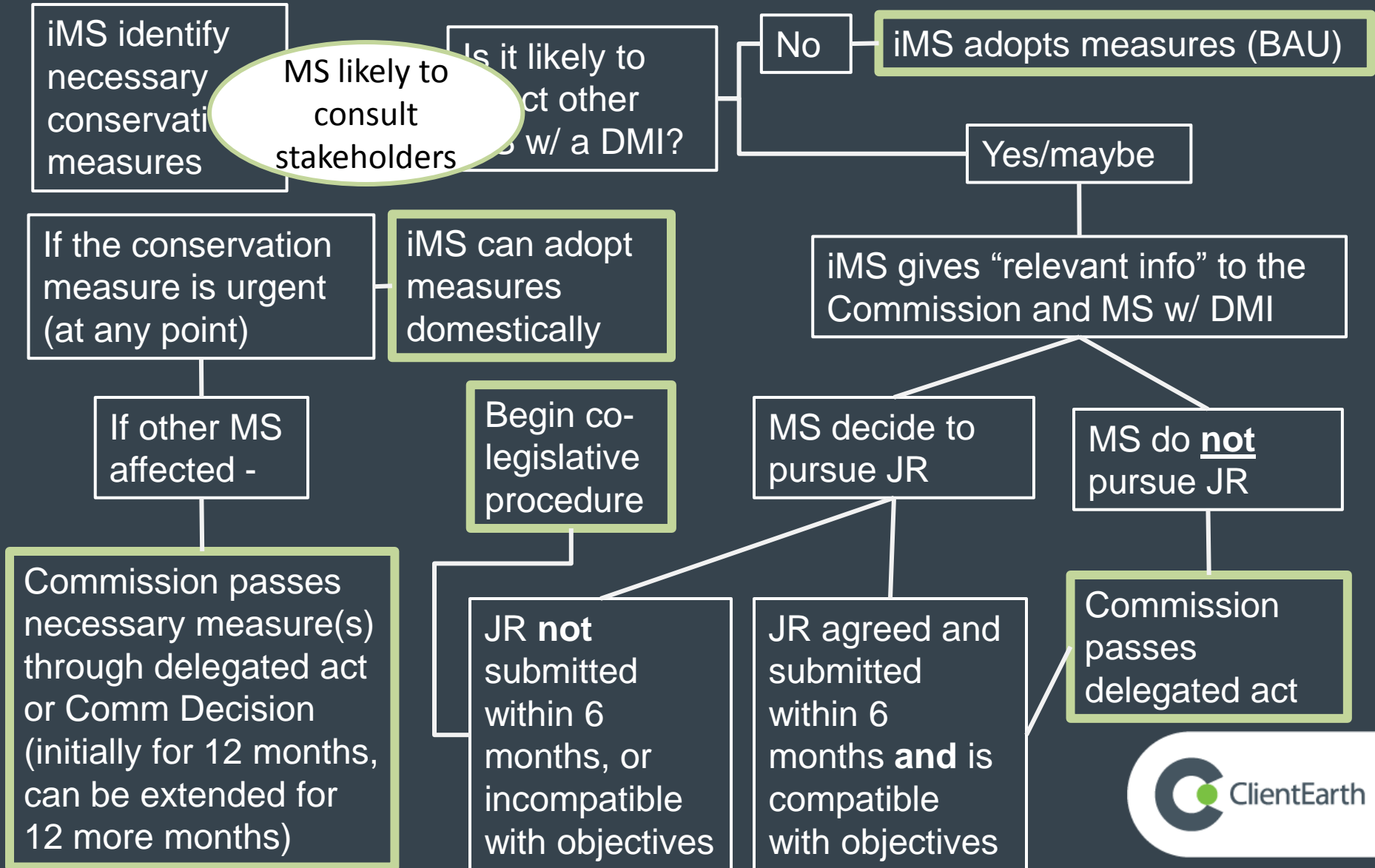




# EU environmental law & Art 11 of the CFP

- Relates to conservation measures required under:
  - Art 6 of the Habitats Directive
  - Art 4 of the Birds Directive
  - Art 13(4) of the MSFD
- Measures must meet objectives of HD/BD/MSFD (as relevant) and CFP, and abide by TFEU:
  - Consistency between EU policy (Art 7)
  - Integration principle (Art 11)
  - Precautionary principle (Art 191(2))

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# Thank you

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