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ABBREVIATIONS

AO	Associated partner
AF	Application form
ASAP	Adriatic Sensitive Areas Protection Mechanism
ATRAC	Adriatic Training and Research Centre, Croatia
CCTV	Closed-circuit television (surveillance)
CECIS	Common Emergency and Information System
CEI-ES	Central European Initiative Executive Secretariat
EU	European Union
FSK-UNSA	University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Traffic and Communications, Bosnia and Herzegovina
HNS	Hazardous and noxious substances
IMO	International Maritime Organization unique ship identification number
IR	Infrared (aerial surveillance)
ISPRA	Institute for Environmental Protection and Research, Italy
JEMS	Joint Electronic Monitoring System
LFS	Laser Fluor sensor (aerial surveillance)
LP	Lead partner
MMSI	Maritime mobile service identity (marine radio communication)
MIE	Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, Albania
MS	Microsoft
MSTI	Ministry of the Sea, Transport, and Infrastructure, Croatia
MWR	Microwave radiometer (aerial surveillance)
NAMIRS	North Adriatic Maritime Incident Response System
NGO	Non-governmental organization
OGS	National Institute of Oceanography and Applied Geophysics, Italy
PISCES	Potential Incident Simulation and Control Evaluation System
PP	Project partner
RPAS	Remotely piloted aircraft systems
SAR	Search and rescue
SAR	Synthetic aperture radar (aerial surveillance)
SLAR	Side-looking airborne radar (aerial surveillance)
SMA	Slovenian Maritime Administration, Slovenia
SWL	Safe working load
UL FPP	University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transport, Slovenia

UV	Ultraviolet (aerial surveillance)
VHF	Very high frequency
VHF DSC	VHF digital selective calling (marine radio communication)
WP	Work package

1. SCOPE OF ACTIVITY 1.4 (WP1)

1.1. Introduction

The main objective of the project is to comprehensively map the response capacity for accidental marine pollution across the Adriatic Sea, covering all six Adriatic countries. The project aims to provide a clear overview of existing technical, organizational, and operational resources available in the event of major environmental incidents, while also identifying potential gaps in the response system. It integrates information on key stakeholders, services, assets, and equipment, complemented by an analysis of their availability, location, and technical characteristics.

An important component of the project is the integration and upgrade of previous analyses conducted in the Northern Adriatic, extending them to the entire Adriatic region. This ensures a harmonized and unified overview of response capacities, enabling improved planning and more effective emergency response. In addition to mapping available resources, the project includes an assessment of response capabilities and the development of recommendations for improvement, providing added value for all participating countries.

Within the project, the Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transport of the University of Ljubljana (UL FPP), acting as project partner PP3, played a key role in implementing Activity 1.4 – Mapping Technical Resources. The objective of this activity was to collect data on all available Tier-3 anti-pollution resources, including naval and aerial assets, as well as specialized response equipment. To support this process, an online resource database was developed, offering a clear overview of the overall capacity and distribution of resources along the Adriatic coast, while also highlighting potential regional deficiencies.

The developed database represents an important decision-support tool, enabling rapid access to relevant information on available resources based on the type of pollution, location, and site-specific conditions. Although official intergovernmental assistance procedures must be conducted through formal channels such as the CECIS system, the database provides additional operational support aimed at accelerating response times and improving the efficiency of interventions.

During the implementation of this activity, UL FPP collaborated with the subcontractor Mediasoft d.o.o., which contributed to the technical development and quality enhancement of the database. Throughout the project, partners jointly made decisions regarding the management and further development of the database; however, the issue of its long-term sustainability remains open.

Nevertheless, the project represents an important step towards strengthening regional cooperation and enhancing preparedness for environmental incidents in the Adriatic Sea.

1.2. Methodology

The collection of data was based on modified fill-out forms that had been designed within the NAMIRS project, the predecessor of ASAP. Unlike in NAMIRS, we decided that an online approach would be the best option this time rather than keeping text files on a physical disc. Hence, the forms, originally designed in MS Word, were reconstructed on a website hosted on a private server for the duration of the project. We believed that establishing an online platform would have great advantages over the method used in NAMIRS and that it would not only facilitate the collection of data, including further updating, but also provide easier access to information for all partners, significantly shortening the time gap between the detection of a spill and the deployment of assets.
Following a public tender, the development of the online resource database was outsourced to Mediasoft, d.o.o., a private company. UL FPP coordinated the work and monitored the progress.

1.3. Access

It was agreed that only one of the partners from each country would be entering data on behalf of their respective countries:

- Administration for Maritime Safety and Port Management, AO7, on behalf of Montenegro,
- General Maritime Directorate, AO2, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE), PP8, on behalf of Albania,
- ISPRA on behalf of Italy,
- Ministry of the Sea, Transport, and Infrastructure (MSTI), PP7, on behalf of Croatia,
- UL FPP on behalf of Slovenia,
- University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Traffic and Communications (FSK-UNSA), PP7, on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

All five partners, other than UL FPP, responsible for the collection of data, were provided with password-protected access to the database. They were all sent emails notifying them that their accounts were active. They all confirmed receipt. The five partners can add, edit,

or remove their national resource listings, while UL FPP and Mediasoft, d.o.o., are the administrators and have overall control of the database. The rest of the project partners who had expressed interest in being able to visit the database were given a view-only type of access.
Apart from that, all partners had been advised to begin collecting data before the platform was launched, almost immediately upon the start of the project. The renewed MS Word fill-out forms were enclosed, so that they could be prepared in advance.

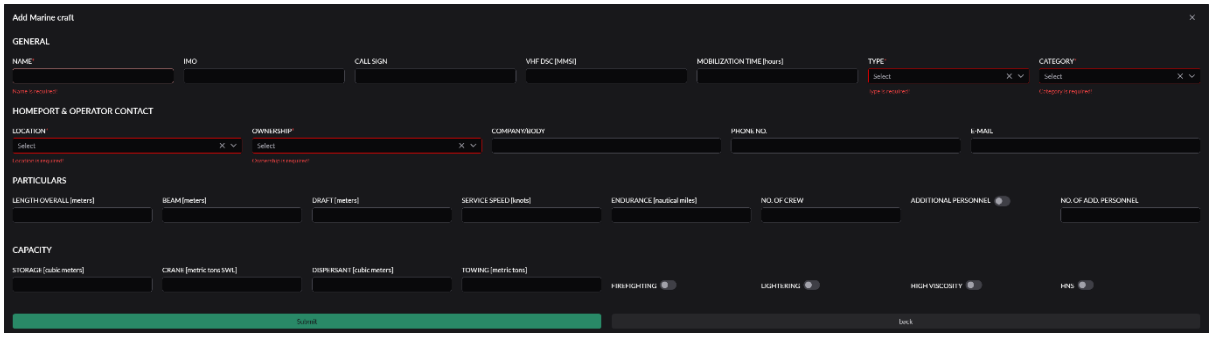
1.4. Online form details

Resources were divided into three general classes:

- Marine craft,
- Aircraft,
- Equipment.

This section of the report includes all the data fields on a fill-out form that a user either must or may enter while creating a new resource listing, which are the same as the fields a user sees when reviewing a particular resource.
The forms were tailored to the class and type of resource.
The forms also feature required fields, the fields in red, that prevent the user from submitting an incomplete listing, missing any essential details. Following multiple discussions among the partners held during the regular monthly meetings, the initial number of required fields had been gradually reduced. Some partners claim that they have had difficulties obtaining certain details, especially where government bodies are involved in the management of resources. Apparently, some information cannot be disclosed without following certain time-consuming legal procedures.

1.4.1. Marine craft

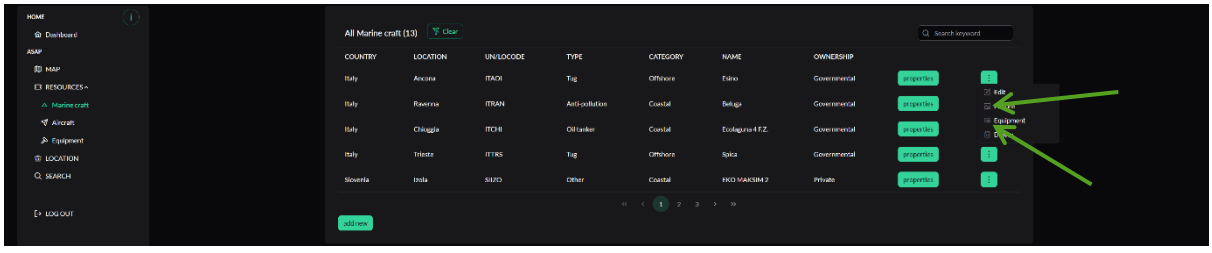


All data:

- General
  - Name
  - IMO
  - Call sign
  - VHF DSC [MMSI]
  - Mobilization time [hours]
  - Type (drop-down list): anti-pollution, patrol, tug, survey, firefighting, SAR, oil tanker, salvage, other
  - Category (drop-down list): offshore, coastal
- Homeport & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail
- Particulars
  - Length overall [meters]
  - Beam [meters]
  - Draft [meters]
  - Service speed [knots]
  - Endurance [nautical miles]
  - No. of crew
  - Additional personnel (toggle switch)
  - No. of additional personnel
- Capacity
  - Storage [cubic meters]
  - Crane [metric tons SWL]

- Dispersant [cubic meters]
- Towing [metric tons]
- Firefighting (toggle switch)
- Lightering (toggle switch)
- High viscosity (toggle switch)
- HNS (toggle switch)

- Shipboard equipment
  - Type of equipment
  - No. of pieces
  - Unit (drop-down list): [meters], [cubic meters], [cubic meters per hour], [liters], [kilograms], [metric tons], [kilowatts], none
  - Capacity
- Image



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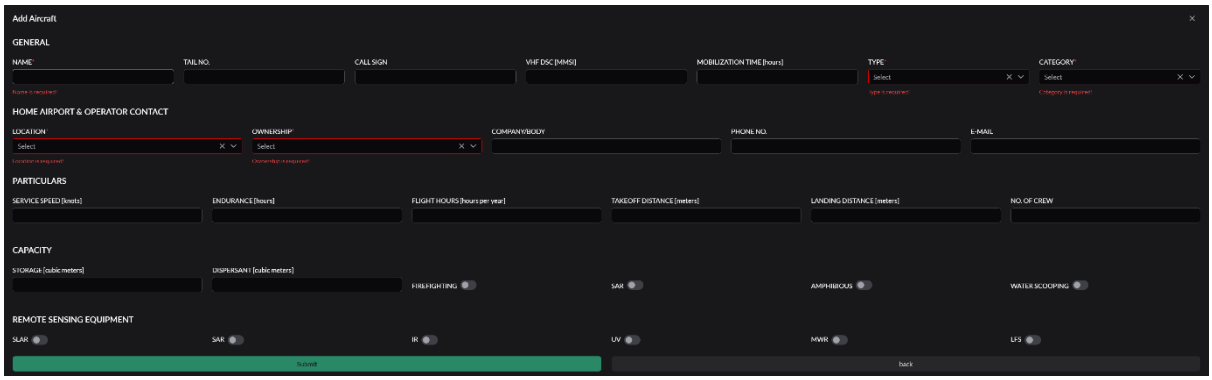
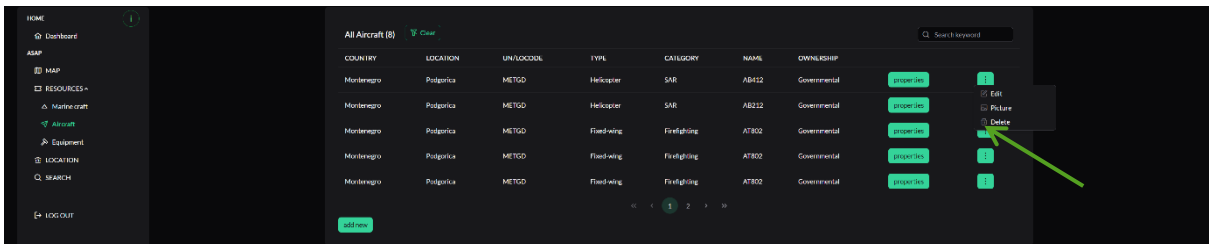


All data:

- General
  - Name
  - Tail No.
  - Call sign
  - VHF DSC [MMSI]
  - Mobilization time [hours]
  - Type (drop-down list): fixed-wing, helicopter, RPAS
  - Category (drop-down list): surveillance, firefighting, SAR
- Home airport & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail
- Particulars
  - Service speed [knots]
  - Flight hours [hours per year]
  - Takeoff distance [meters]

- Landing distance [meters]
- No. of crew

- Capacity
  - Storage [cubic meters]
  - Dispersant [cubic meters]
  - Firefighting (toggle switch)
  - SAR (toggle switch)
  - Amphibious (toggle switch)
  - Water scooping (toggle switch)
- Remote sensing equipment
  - SLAR (toggle switch)
  - SAR (toggle switch)
  - IR (toggle switch)
  - UV (toggle switch)
  - MWR (toggle switch)
  - LFS (toggle switch)
- Image



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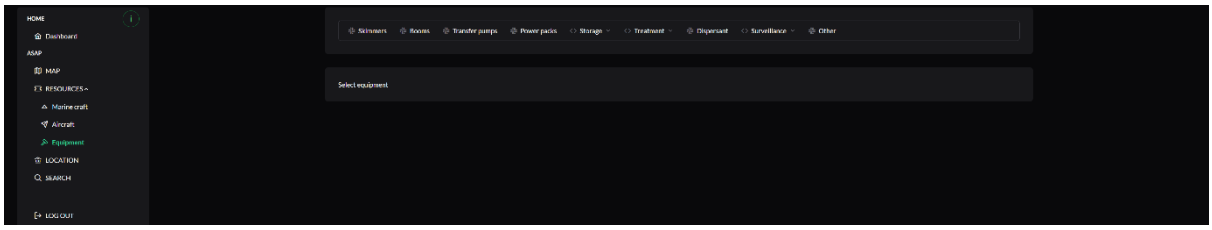
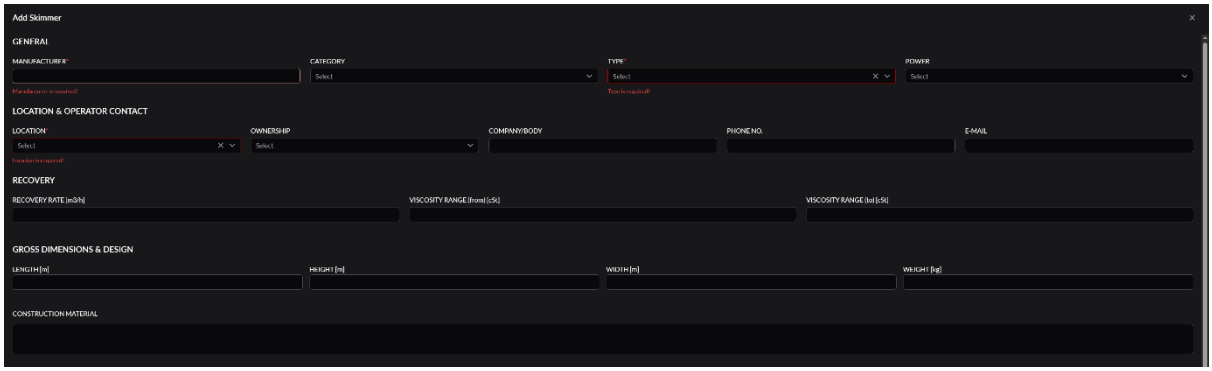


Main equipment types:

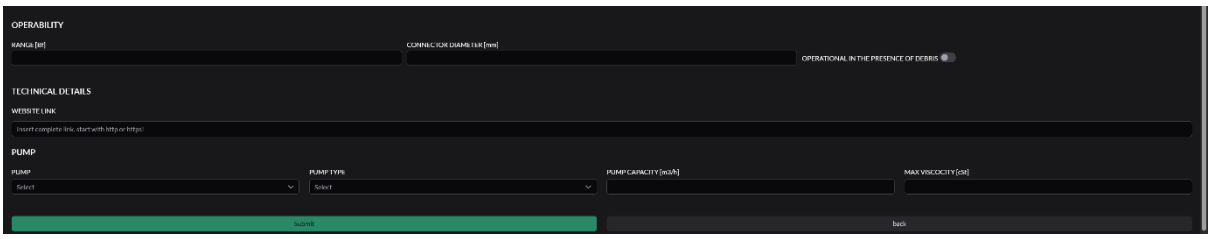
- Skimmers
- Booms
- Transfer pumps
- Power packs
- Storage
    - Barges
    - Floating tanks
    - Mobile containers
    - Shore tanks
    - Tanker trucks
- Treatment
    - Mobile treatment plants
    - Fixed treatment plants
- Dispersant
- Surveillance
    - CCTV
    - Radars
- Other



All data:

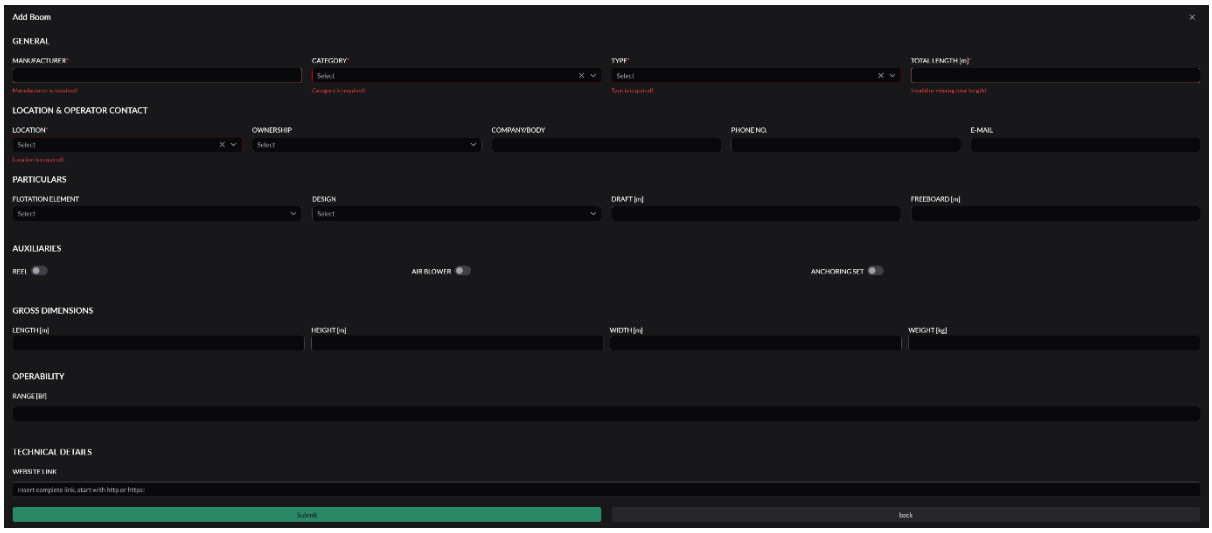
- General
  - Manufacturer
  - Category (drop-down list): self-propelled, non-self-propelled
  - Type (drop-down list): suction (mechanical), weir (mechanical), centrifugal (mechanical), conveyor belt (mechanical), drum (oleophilic), disc (oleophilic), brush (oleophilic), belt (oleophilic), rope (oleophilic), tube (oleophilic)
  - Power (drop-down list): own, external
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail
- Recovery
  - Recovery rate [cubic meters per hour]
  - Viscosity range from [centistokes] to [centistokes]
- Gross dimensions & design
  - Length [meters]
  - Height [meters]
  - Width [meters]

- Weight [kilograms]
- Construction material



- Operability
  - Range [beauforts]
  - Connector diameter [millimeters]
  - Operational in the presence of debris (toggle switch)
- Technical details
  - Website link
- Pump
  - Pump (drop-down list): in-built, external
  - Pump type (drop-down list): gear, lobe, screw, vane, peristaltic, piston, diaphragm, centrifugal, N/A
  - Pump capacity [cubic meters per hour]
  - Maximum viscosity [centistokes]

BOOMS



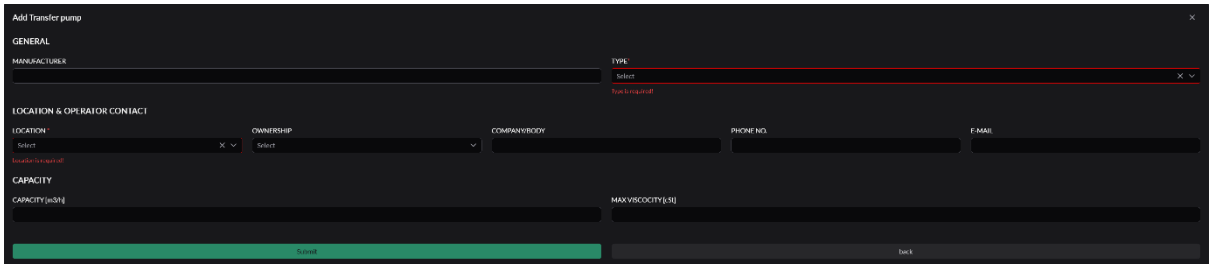
All data:

- General
  - Manufacturer
  - Category (drop-down list): coastal, offshore, beach-sealing
  - Type (drop-down list): standard, fire-resistant, sorbent
  - Total length [meters]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail
- Particulars
  - Floatation element (drop-down list): air (inflatable), water, foam, solid
  - Design (drop-down list): curtain, fence
  - Draft [meters]

- Freeboard [meters]

- Auxiliaries
  - Reel (toggle switch)
  - Air blower (toggle switch)
  - Anchoring set (toggle switch)
- Gross dimensions
  - Length [meters]
  - Height [meters]
  - Width [meters]
  - Weight [kilograms]
- Operability
  - Range [beauforts]
- Technical details
  - Website link

TRANSFER PUMPS



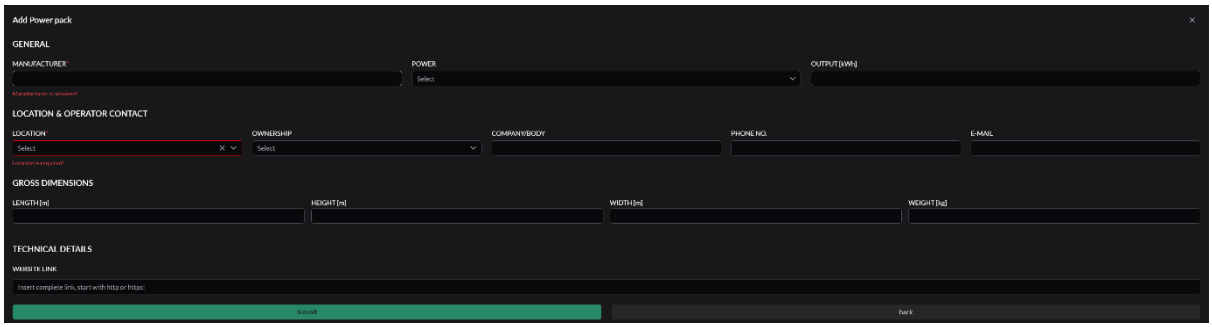
All data:

- General
  - Manufacturer
  - Type (drop-down list): gear, lobe, screw, vane, peristaltic, piston, diaphragm, centrifugal
- Location & operator contact

- Location (drop-down list)
- Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
- Company/body
- Phone No.
- E-mail

- Capacity
  - Capacity [cubic meters per hour]
  - Maximum viscosity [centistokes]

POWER PACKS

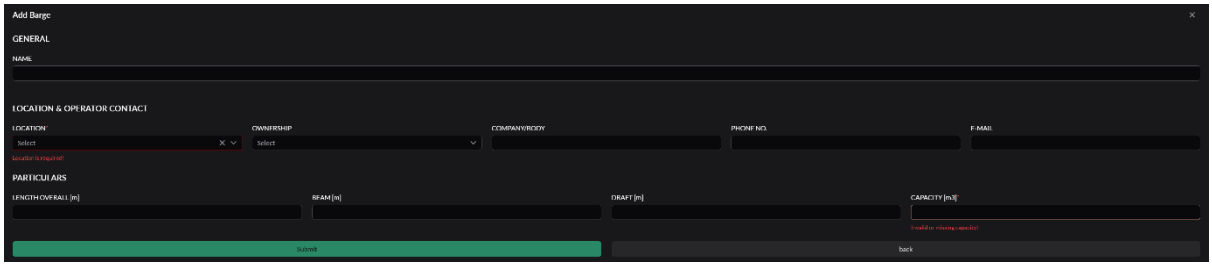


All data:

- General
  - Manufacturer
  - Power (drop-down list): diesel, gasoline, electric, battery
  - Output [kilo-watt hours]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

- Gross dimensions
  - Length [meters]
  - Height [meters]
  - Width [meters]
  - Weight [kilograms]
- Technical details
  - Website link

BARGES (STORAGE)

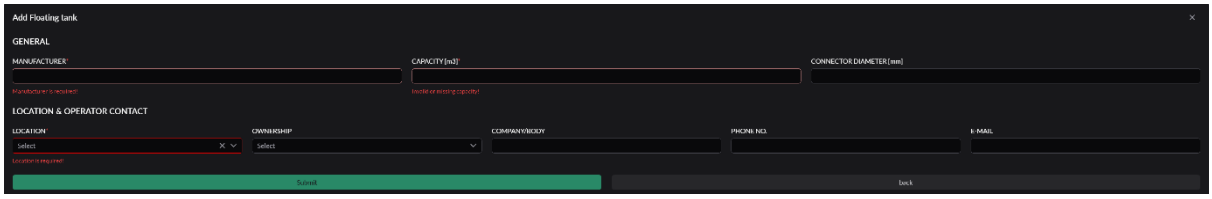


All data:

- General
  - Name
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail
- Particulars
  - Length overall [meters]
  - Beam [meters]
  - Draft [meters]

- Capacity [cubic meters]

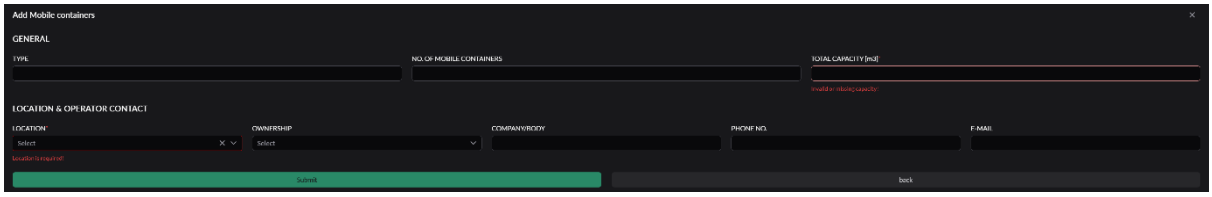
FLOATING TANKS (STORAGE)



All data:

- General
  - Manufacturer
  - Capacity [cubic meters]
  - Connector diameter [millimeters]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

MOBILE CONTAINERS (STORAGE)



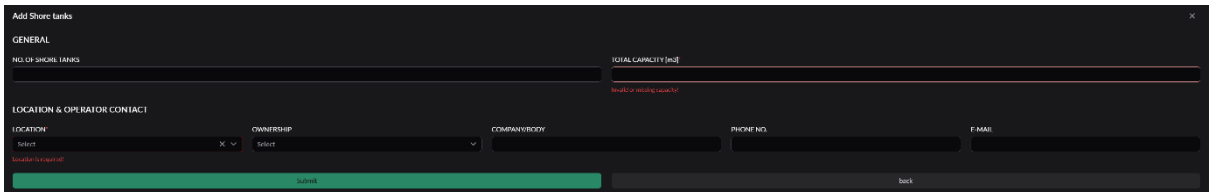
All data:

- General
  - Type

- No. of mobile containers
- Total capacity [cubic meters]

- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

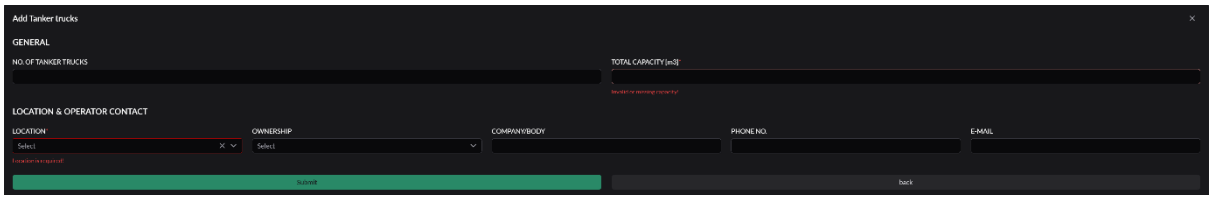
SHORE TANKS (STORAGE)



All data:

- General
  - No. of shore tanks
  - Total capacity [cubic meters]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

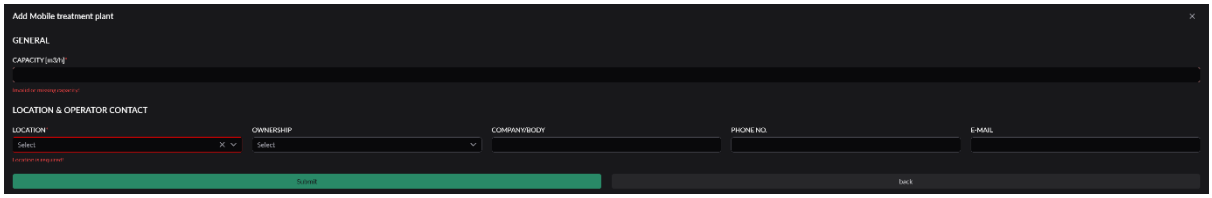
TANKER TRUCKS (STORAGE)



All data:

- General
  - No. of tanker trucks
  - Total capacity [cubic meters]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

MOBILE TREATMENT PLANTS (TREATMENT)

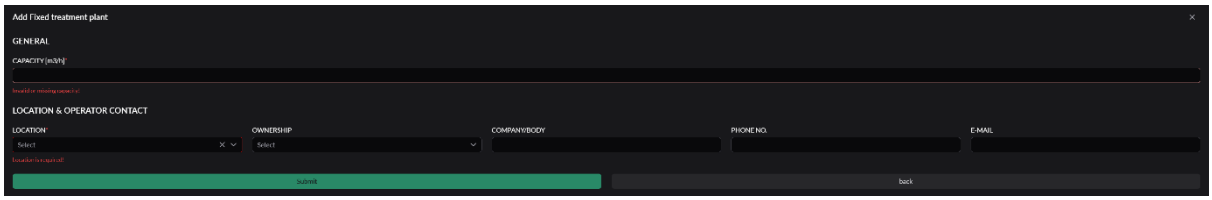


All data:

- General
  - Capacity [cubic meters per hour]
  - Efficiency [particles per million]
  - Sampling (toggle switch)

- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

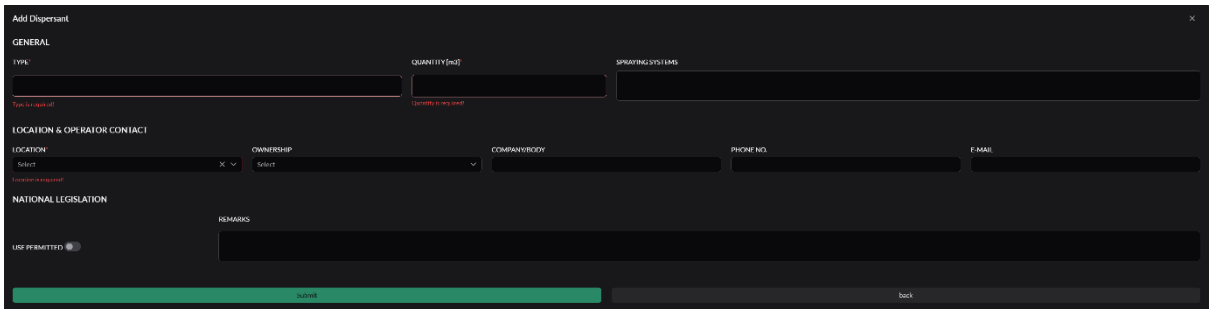
FIXED TREATMENT PLANTS (TREATMENT)



All data:

- General
  - Capacity [cubic meters per hour]
  - Efficiency [particles per million]
  - Sampling (toggle switch)
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

DISPERSANT



All data:

- General
  - Type
  - Quantity [cubic meters]
  - Spraying systems
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail
- National legislation
  - Use permitted (toggle switch)
  - Remarks

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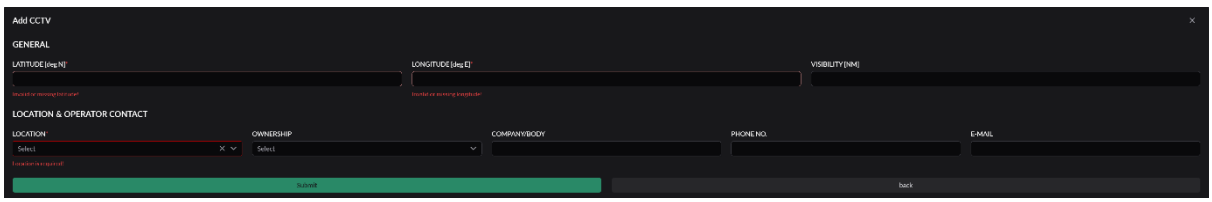
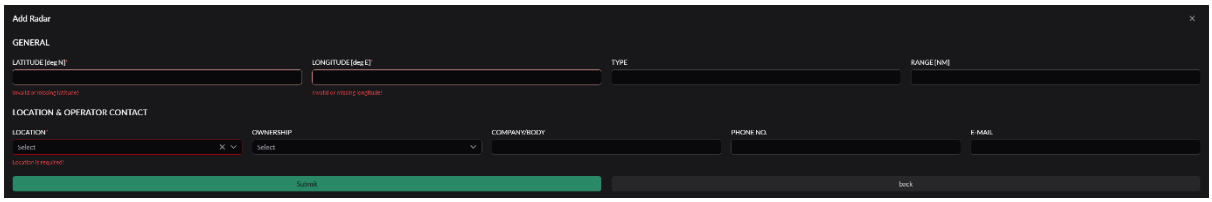


All data:

- General
  - Latitude [degrees North]
  - Longitude [degrees East]
  - Visibility [nautical miles]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

RADARS (SURVEILLANCE)

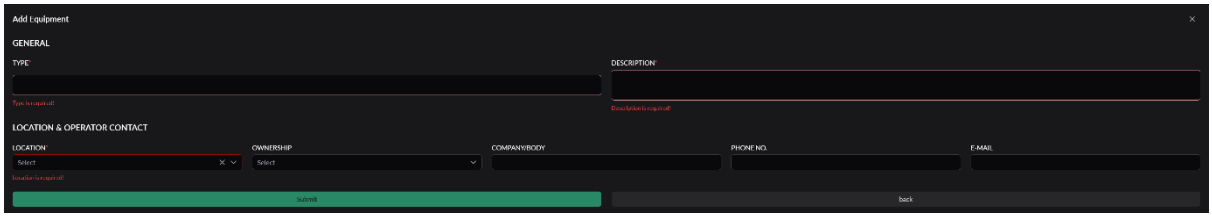


All data:

- General
  - Latitude [degrees North]
  - Longitude [degrees East]
  - Type
  - Range [nautical miles]
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body

- Phone No.
- E-mail

OTHER EQUIPMENT

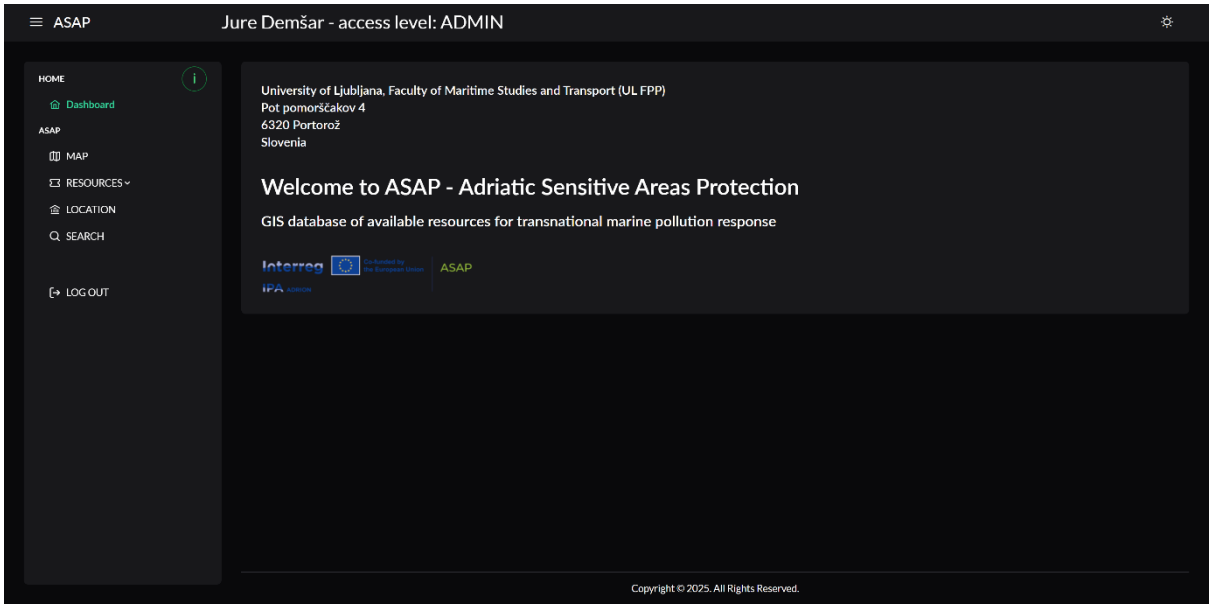


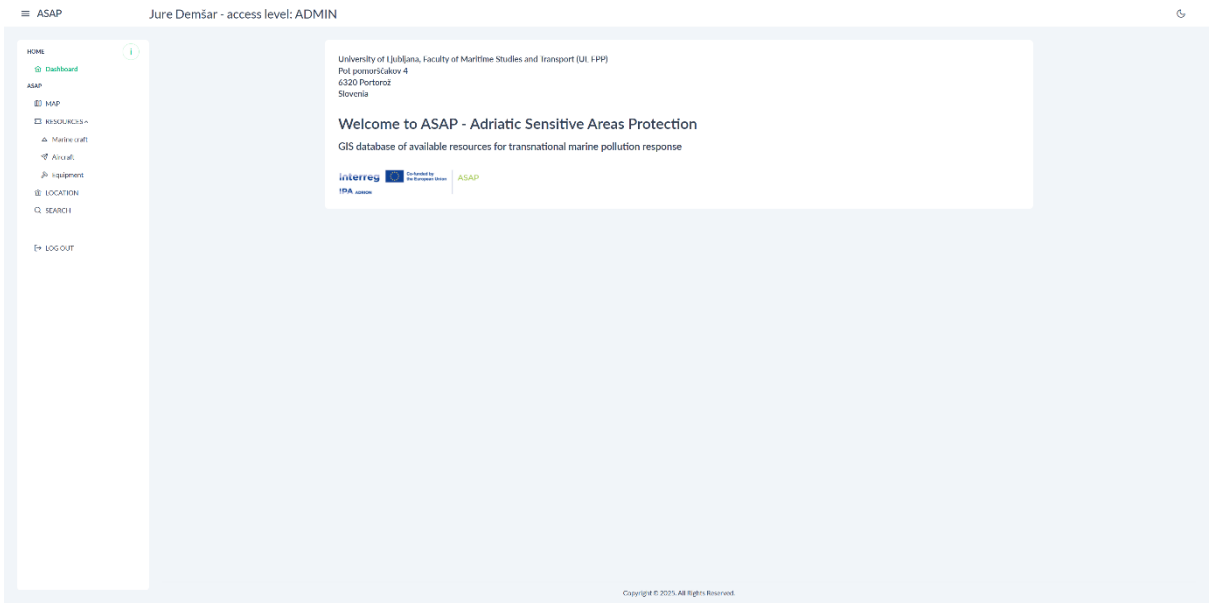
All data:

- General
  - Type
  - Description
- Location & operator contact
  - Location (drop-down list)
  - Ownership (drop-down list): private, governmental
  - Company/body
  - Phone No.
  - E-mail

1.5. The database

Once the user signs in, they are presented with the database's dashboard. The user can toggle between dark and light modes.

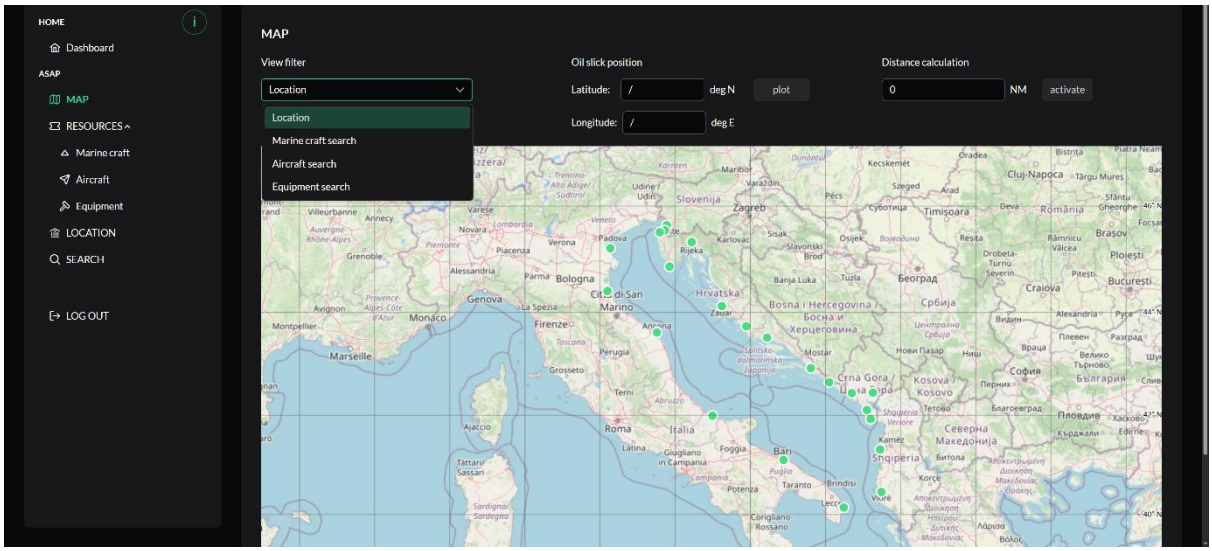




The database has four main features:

- An interactive map,
- View or edit resources,
- List of registered locations,
- Search engine.

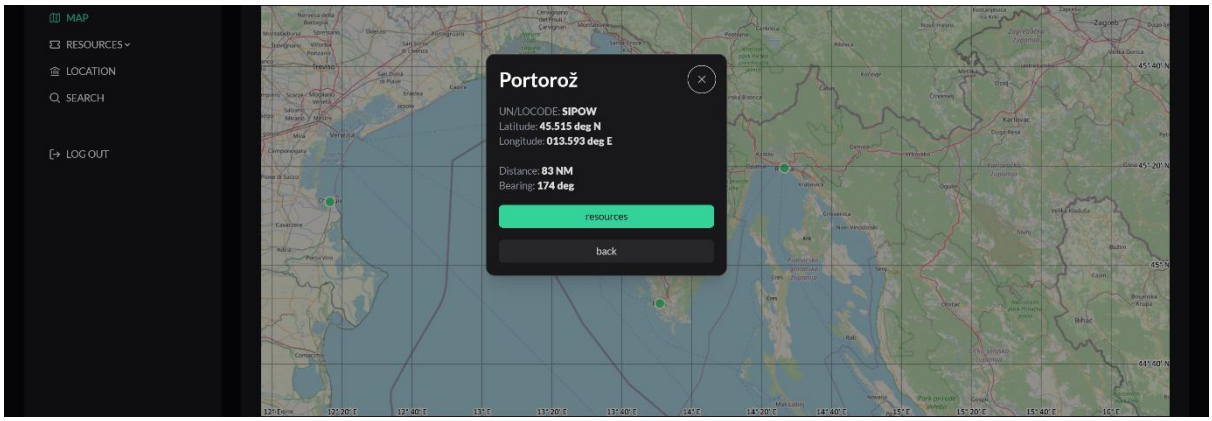
1.5.1. Interactive map

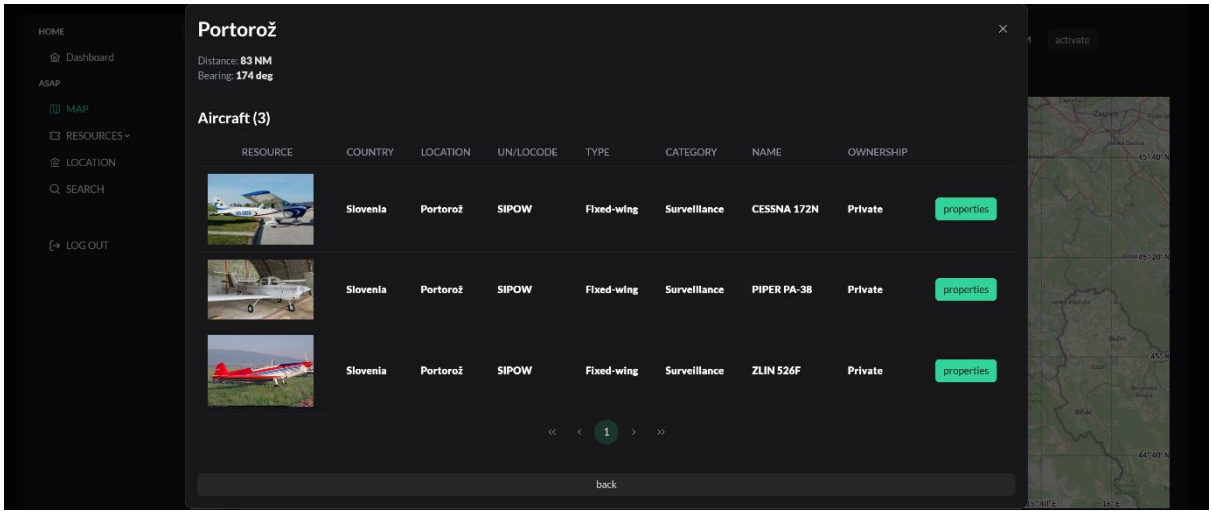


The map has four view filters:

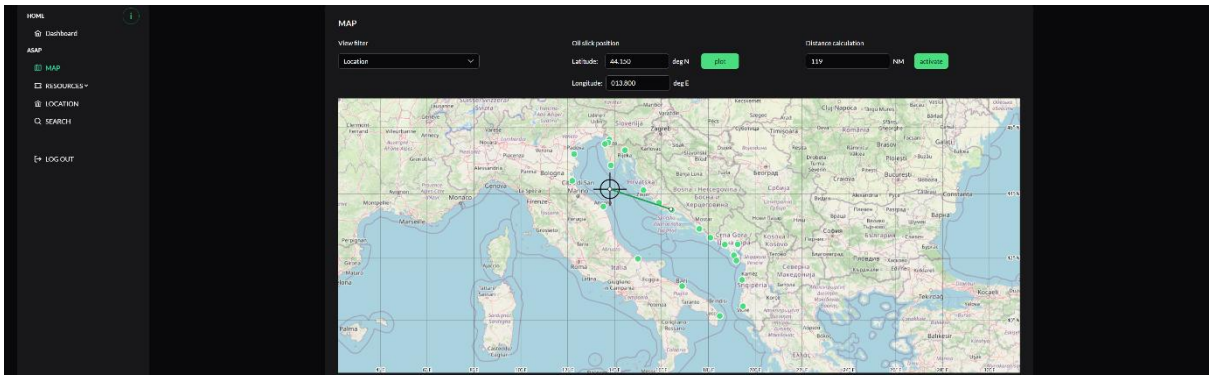
- Location
- Marine craft search
- Aircraft search
- Equipment search

Clicking on a location on the map opens a window displaying its name, UN/LOCODE, geographical coordinates, and the option to view all the resources located there.





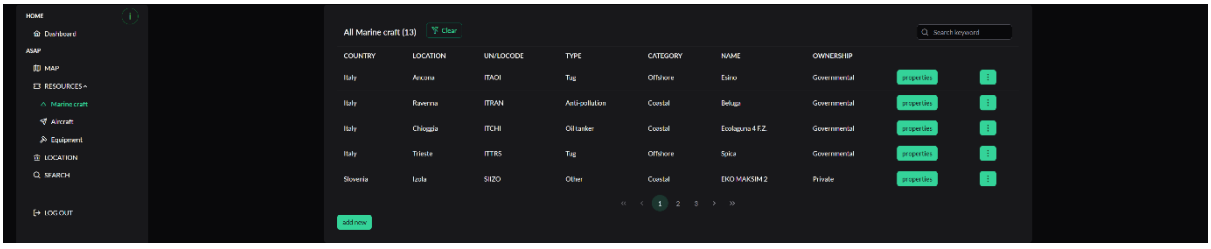
The Map tab allows the user to enter the geographical coordinates of the source/center of the oil slick and search for resources within a specified radius. They can also use the distance calculator to find the distance between two points on the map.

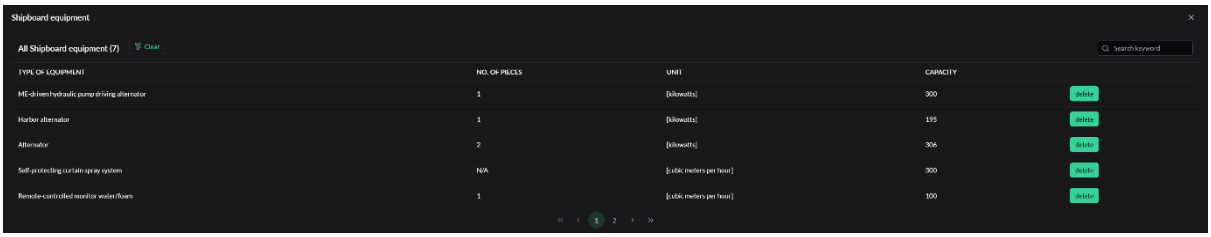


1.5.2. Resources

On the one hand, each marine craft and aircraft constitutes a separate listing. Their home port or home airport, respectively, corresponds to a specific location. On the other hand, equipment is mapped according to the location of the warehouse where it is being stored, meaning that a single listing may include more pieces of equipment, and of various types. The user can view, edit, or delete the listed assets.

MARINE CRAFT





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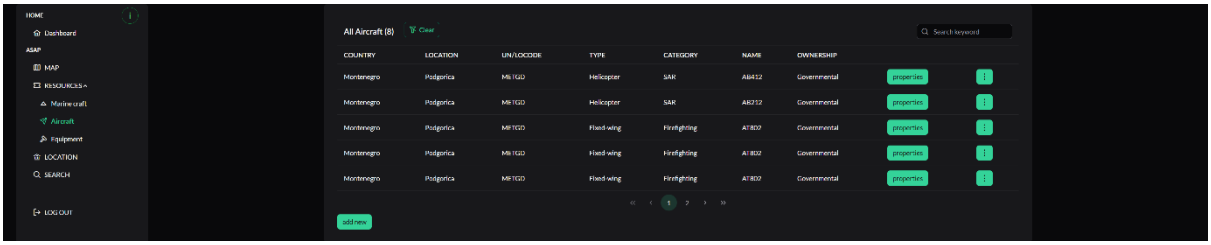
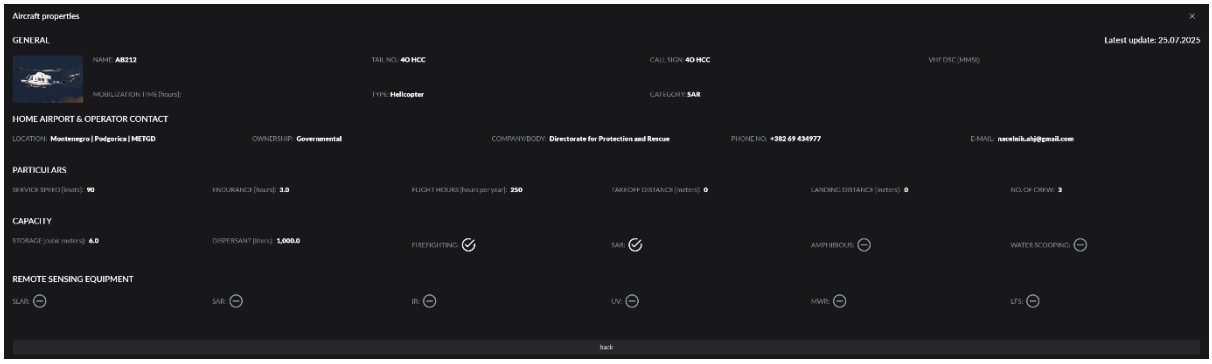
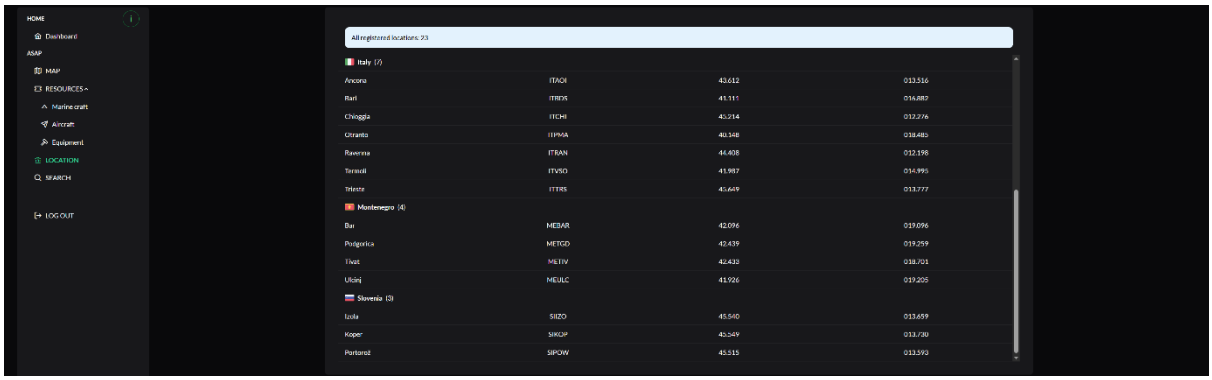




1.5.3. List of registered locations

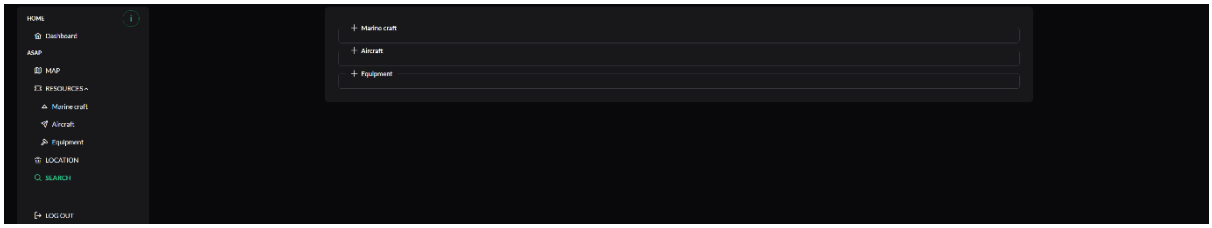
There is a list of currently registered locations, predominantly based on the locations that had been extracted from CECIS within NAMIRS.
Partners were asked to inform us if any of the actual locations were not included on the list. The missing locations were then added.



When the user is adding or editing a resource, this is the list from which they can select the resource's location.

1.5.4. Search engine

We consider the search engine one of the most prominent and advanced tools of the database. The user is allowed to search for resources according to their needs, by type or certain particulars.



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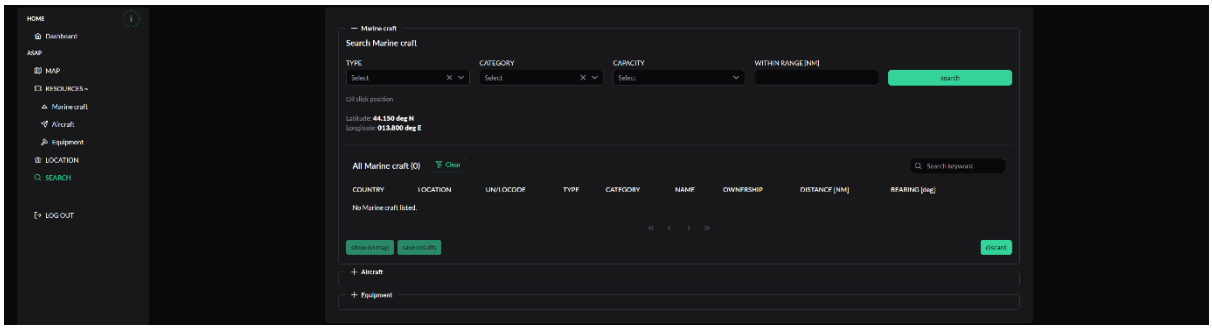

Search parameters:

- Type
- Category
- Capacity
- Within range [nautical miles]

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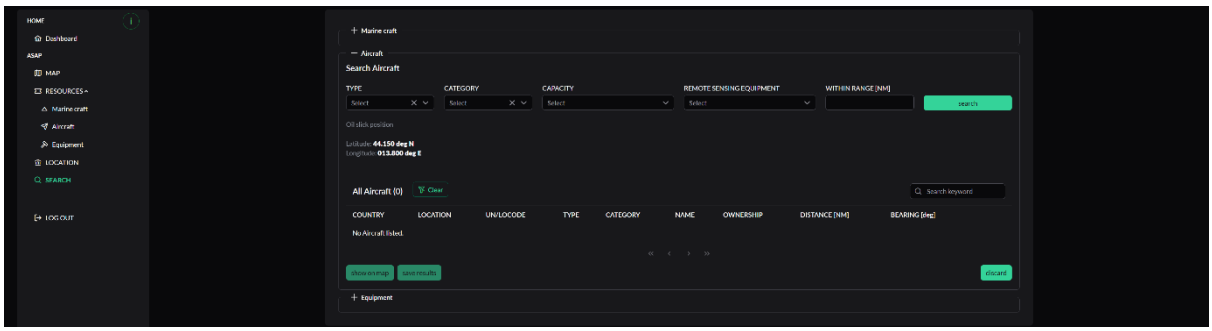

Search parameters:

- Type
- Category
- Capacity
- Remote sensing equipment
- Within range [nautical miles]

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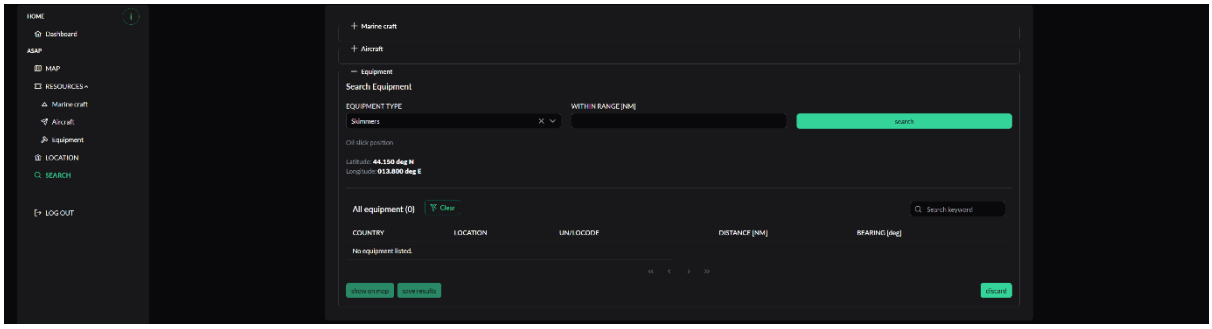


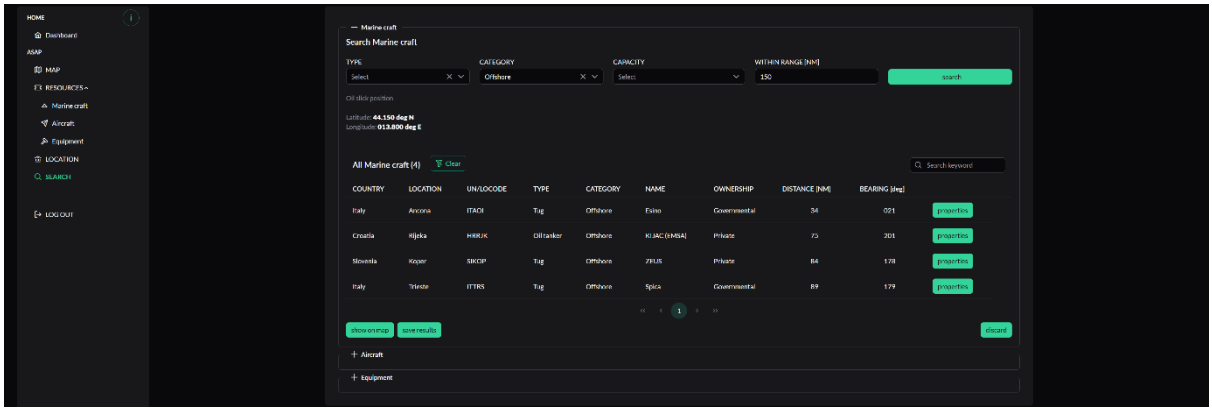
Search parameters:

- Equipment type
- Within range [nautical miles]

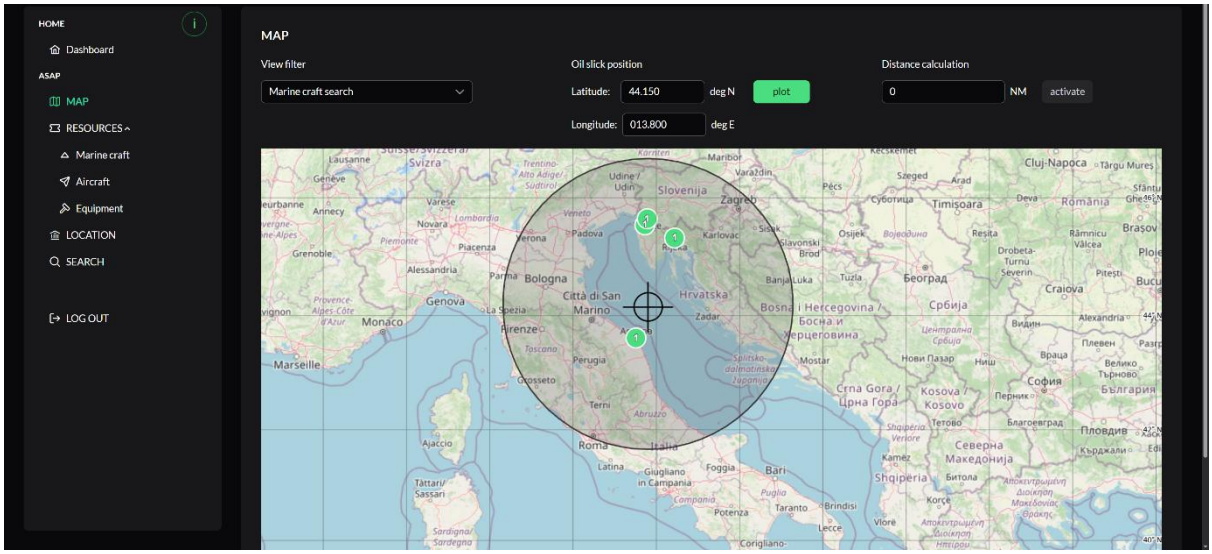
SEARCH RESULTS

Having entered particular search parameters, the user is presented with a list of assets that match the criteria.
An example of search results for:

- Marine craft
- Category: offshore
- Within range [nautical miles]: 150



Furthermore, the user can save the search parameters and then open the map, displaying the locations of the resources. As long as the search parameters and results are not discarded, they have the option to switch between the map view filters and find the same search results.



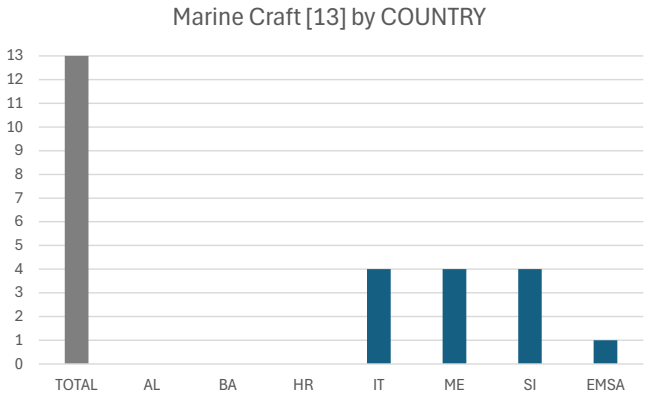
1.6. Statistics

Below are the apparent statistics of the resource listings that have been entered up until now.

1.6.1. Marine craft

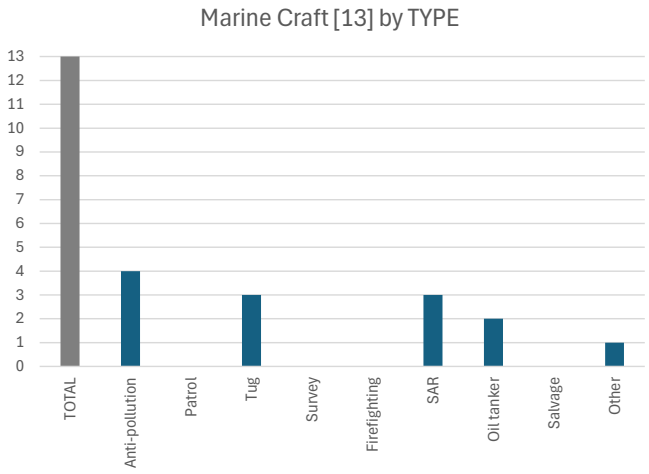
There is a total of 13 listed marine craft. The image below shows their locations.

So far, only the partners from Italy, Montenegro, and Slovenia have entered their marine craft. It is unclear whether or not other countries do, in fact, either own Tier-3 marine craft intended to be supplied to a partner country in a transnational anti-pollution response, or have not been able to enter their marine craft or have failed to do so within the laid time frame.



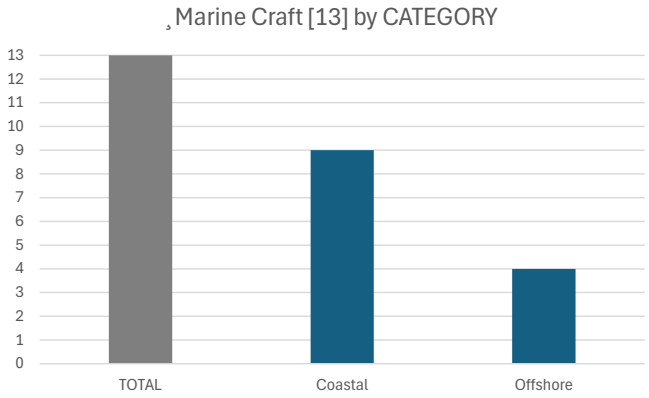
By type, there are:

- 4 anti-pollution marine craft
- 3 tugs
- 3 SAR marine craft
- 2 oil tankers
- 1 other-type marine craft

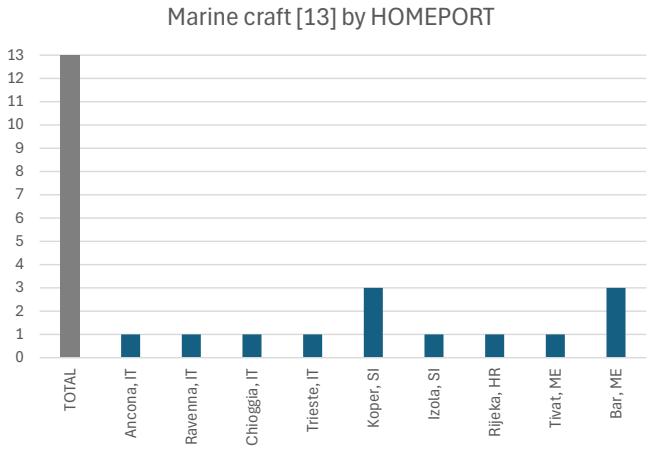


By category, there are:

- 9 coastal marine craft
- 4 offshore marine craft

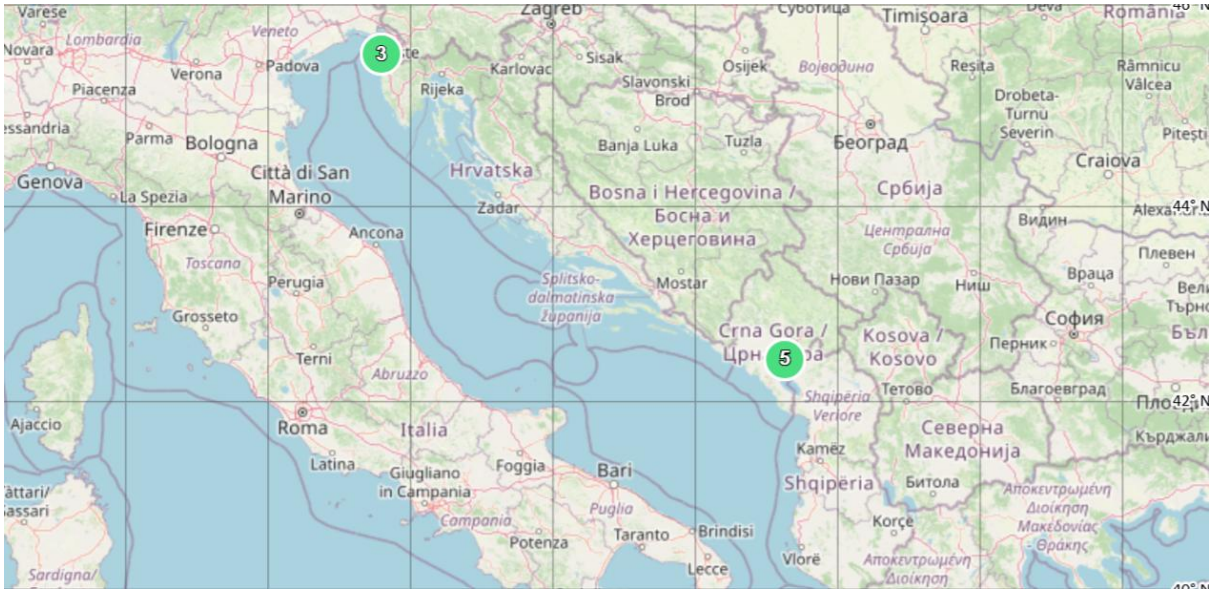


By homeport, marine craft are located in Ancona, IT [1], Ravenna, IT [1], Chioggia, IT [1], Trieste, IT [1], Koper, SI [3], Izola, SI [1], Rijeka, HR (EMSA) [1], Tivat, ME [1], and Bar, ME [3].



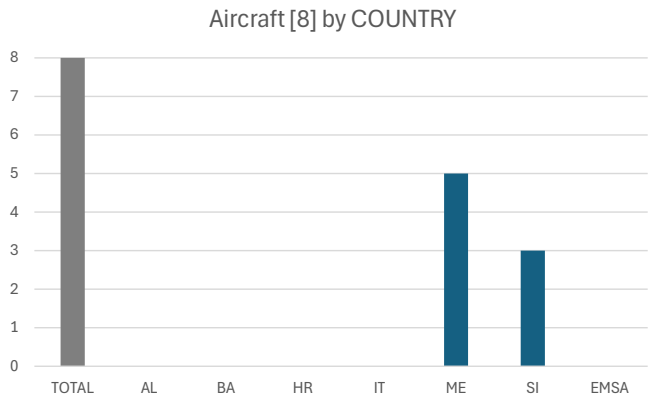
1.6.2. Aircraft

There is a total of 8 listed aircraft. The image below shows their locations.



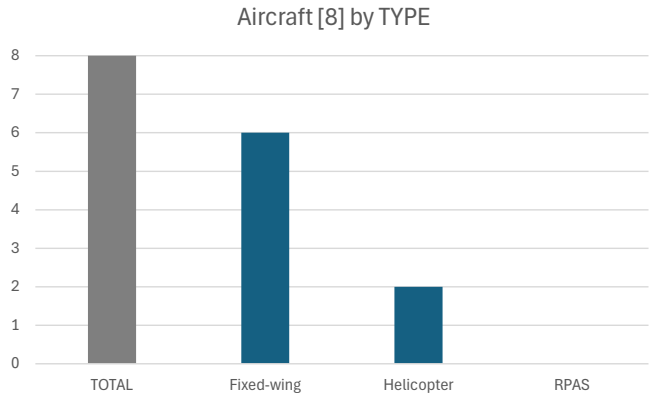
So far, only the partners from Montenegro and Slovenia have entered their aircraft. It is unclear whether or not other countries do, in fact, either own Tier-3 aircraft intended to be

supplied to a partner country in a transnational anti-pollution response, or have not been able to enter their aircraft or have failed to do so within the laid time frame.



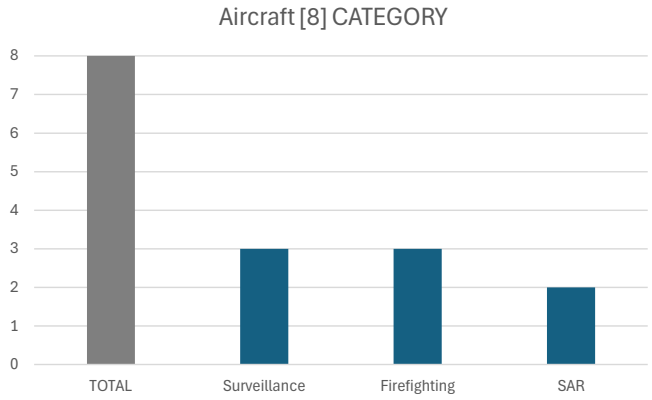
By type, there are:

- 6 fixed-wing aircraft
- 2 helicopters

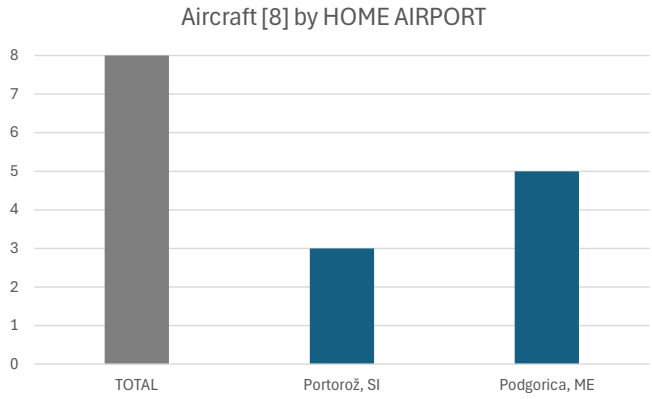


By category, there are:

- 3 surveillance aircraft
- 3 firefighting aircraft
- 2 search and rescue aircraft



By home airport, aircraft are located in Portorož, SI [3], and Pogdorica, ME [5].



1.7. Sustainability

The sustainability of the project is subject to WP 3. And so is the sustainability of the ASAP online resource database.
The usefulness and functionality of the database are going to be tested during the planned exercise at sea in Slovenia, which may or may not result in some modifications.
While the project is still ongoing, the UL FPP team deems resolving the following issues, if not necessary, highly beneficial to the cause:

- How do partners find ways to interact with their respective governments and government bodies that are in charge of managing resources without having to go through lengthy legal procedures, in order to be able to obtain information about the resources without significant delay,

- How are partners to be reached out to in order to encourage them to fully cooperate and add their resources, so that the database is finally complete, showing the real picture?

Once ASAP has concluded, these are some of the main concerns that remain:

- Who gets appointed the manager of the database,
- Whose server will host the database,
- Who takes the responsibility to sustain, update, upgrade, or eliminate potential bugs, what are the time intervals within stakeholders are required to update their national Tier-3 resources, made available for transnational response, including each technical resource's particulars?

2. ACTIVITIES & TIME-PLAN

Title	Mapping technical resources
Start period	Period 1, month 1
End period	Period 3, month 18

The activity was performed as per the time plan.
Activity 1.4 was completed in Period 3. The development of the online database was outsourced to subcontractor Mediasoft, d.o.o. The company was hired through a public procurement procedure. All procurement documentation and the corresponding cost report were submitted by the University of Ljubljana in JEMS for audit purposes (see JEMS Partner Report R.2 – Report annexes).
The contract with Mediasoft expired at the end of 2025. Initially, it was planned that one of the partners would take over the online resource database at the beginning of 2026. At the monthly meetings, the partners decided that the subcontractor would remain the administrator and manager of the database for the remainder of the project, or until a sustainable solution is found. The contract with the subcontractor for further hosting and maintenance will be signed in period 4. The total cost is planned to amount to 1000 EUR and will be reimbursed over periods 4 and 5. The source of the cost has not yet been defined.
The question of sustaining the database remains unresolved, for the time being. Partners have been discussing that. An agreement is expected to be negotiated in period 4, within the framework of WP3.

3. PARTNERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

	PARTNERSHIP
LP	Central European Initiative – Executive Secretariat (CEI-ES)
PP2	National Institute of Oceanography and Applied Geophysics (OGS)
PP3	University of Ljubljana (ULFPP)
PP4	Adriatic Training and Research Centre (ATRAC)
PP5	Republic of Slovenia, Ministry of Infrastructure (SMA)
PP6	Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure (MSTI)
PP7	Faculty of Traffic and Communications, University of Sarajevo (FSK – UNSA)
PP8	Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy of Albania (MIE)
PP9	NGO Our Action
AO2	General Maritime Directorate
AO3	Administration for Civil Protection and Disaster Relief (ACPDR)
AO4	Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA)
AO7	Administration for Maritime Safety and Port Management

PP3 coordinated the activity. PP3 is also the only partner with administrator status. Other partners (PP) or associate partners (AO) were tasked with listing their respective national resources and testing.

Given that partners had different roles, they were granted one of the three types of access:

- Administrator (overall access and control)
  - PP3 (2 persons)
  - Mediasoft (2 persons)
- Editor (access to national resources)
  - PP5 (1 person)
  - PP6 (2 person)
  - PP7 (1 person)
  - PP8 (1 person)
  - AO3 (1 person)
  - AO4 (2 persons)
  - AO7 (3 persons)

- Viewer
    - LP (1 person)
    - PP4 (3 persons)
    - PP5 (4 persons)

It is important to highlight that some partners were unable to obtain certain details, and not for lack of trying. They made every effort to establish communication with government bodies involved in the management of resources, but the military or defense forces consider a lot of information classified. They are legally prohibited from disclosing sensitive information. If they are prepared to share it with the public at all, they have to follow lengthy legal procedures to be able to do so.

The question of sustaining the database remains unresolved, for the time being. Partners have been discussing that. An agreement is expected due in period 4, within the framework of WP3.

4. INTERNAL MONITORING & DEADLINES

All activities under the responsibility of PP3 in Period 3 were successfully completed. The engagement of a subcontractor for this task was foreseen in the project documentation, and the public procurement procedure was carried out in accordance with Slovenian regulations (see JEMS Partner Report R.2 – Report Annexes – Mediasoft).

In line with the project plan, the subcontractor Mediasoft d.o.o. was contracted to deliver the required outputs. Their collaboration officially concluded at the end of 2025. Initially, the partners intended that one project partner would assume responsibility for managing the online resource database (Activity 1.4) at the start of 2026. However, during monthly coordination meetings, the partners agreed that Mediasoft d.o.o. should continue to administer and manage the database for the remainder of the project, or until a long-term and sustainable solution is established. A new contract for hosting and maintenance will therefore be signed in Period 4. The total planned cost is 1,000 EUR, to be reimbursed across Periods 4 and 5. The budget source for this cost has yet to be allocated.

The database within the platform is not yet fully completed due to political constraints in several participating countries. Additionally, the list of available assets is subject to frequent changes. One of the core objectives of WP3 is to develop a mechanism for ensuring long-term maintenance and regular updating of the database. For this reason, activities in Periods 4 and 5 will focus on completing the asset inventory and improving data continuity.

At present, the question of long-term sustainability of the database remains unresolved. Discussions among partners are ongoing, and an agreement is expected in Period 4 within the framework of WP3.

REFERENCES

The database developed by PP3 and Mediasoft, d.o.o. (subcontractor).

Status: fully operational.
Access: password-protected.

ASAP Online Resource Database
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