

The Mission Restore our Ocean and seas by 2030, a case of evidence-based approach applying nature conservation and restoration and much more...

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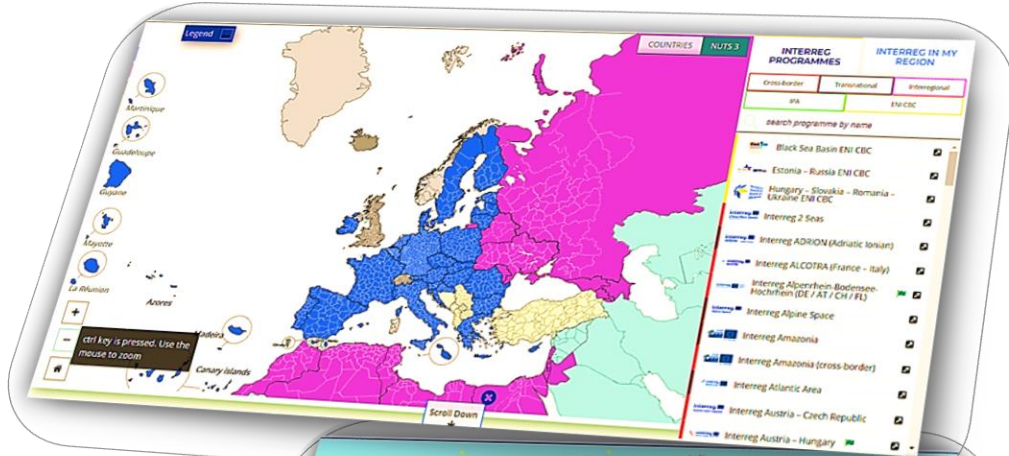


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Synergies between Horizon Europe and the European Regional Development Fund programmes

https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/news/all-research-and-innovation-news/synergies-guidance-out-2022-07-06_en



The Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030

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Mission Ocean and Waters: OBJECTIVES and TARGETS

- PROTECT AND RESTORE MARINE AND FRESHWATERS ECOSYSTEMS AND BIODIVERSITY**
 - Protect at least 30% and strictly protect 10% EU's sea areas
 - Restore 25.000 km free flowing rivers
 - Marine nature restoration targets (incl. degraded seabeds, coastal ecosystems)
- PREVENT AND ELIMINATE POLLUTION OF OUR OCEANS, SEAS AND WATERS**
 - Reduce by at least 50% plastic litter
 - Reduce by at least 30% microplastics
 - Reduce by at least 50% nutrient losses, chemical pesticides
- MAKE THE BLUE ECONOMY CARBON- NEUTRAL AND CIRCULAR**
 - Net zero maritime emissions
 - Zero carbon aquaculture
 - Low carbon multipurpose use of marine space

ENABLERS

- Digital Ocean and Waters Knowledge system
- Public mobilisation and engagement

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Mission lighthouses: spaces of transformation to pilot, demonstrate, develop and deploy the Mission activities across EU

Baltic & North sea basin
MAKE THE BLUE ECONOMY CARBON-NEUTRAL AND CIRCULAR

Mediterranean sea basin
PREVENT AND ELIMINATE POLLUTION OF OUR OCEAN, SEAS AND WATERS

Danube river basin
PROTECT AND RESTORE MARINE AND FRESHWATERS ECOSYSTEMS AND BIODIVERSITY

Atlantic & Arctic coast
PROTECT AND RESTORE MARINE AND FRESHWATERS ECOSYSTEMS AND BIODIVERSITY

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Objective 1
PROTECT and RESTORE
MARINE and
FRESHWATERS

Blue Parks: 2 IAs (MPA management, degraded ecosystems)
Danube river basin lighthouse
CSA + 2 IAs (restoration of river connectivity, wetlands)
Atlantic and Arctic lighthouse:
CSA + 2 IAs (coastal restoration, climate resilience/adaptation – joint topic with Mission Climate)

Objective 2
PREVENT AND ELIMINATE
POLLUTION OF OUR OCEAN,
SEAS AND WATERS

Mediterranean sea basin lighthouse
CSA + 2 IAs (prevention, reduction and elimination of plastic & litter, prevention, reduction and elimination of chemical pollution,)
Cross-basin topics: plastic free European rivers, low environmental impact fishing gear

Objective 3
MAKE THE BLUE
ECONOMY CARBON-
NEUTRAL AND CIRCULAR

Baltic and North sea basin lighthouse
CSA + 2 IAs (sustainable aquaculture and multi-use of marine space, bringing algae-based products on the market)

<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/MissionOceanWatersCharter>

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Mission Implementation Charter

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- Established among the Commission in close cooperation with the Member States/Associated Countries, Regions and key stakeholders willing to contribute to the implementation of the Mission
- Sets the direction when defining initiatives, programmes, actions and common agendas for restoring our ocean and waters
- Non-binding engagement

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EVENTS

- **15 November 2022:** first meeting (online) with all ports associations
- **24-25 November:** high-level event on the Atlantic-Arctic lighthouse in Cork
- **29-30-31 May:** high-level event on the Mediterranean lighthouse in Palermo & Salina (with Awards)

NETWORK

- Enhance synergy with the Mediterranean CSA and be part of its network
- Inform the Mediterranean CSA / EC about all actions/initiatives and programmes carried out at regional level
- Network within the region and across regions to multiply and connect the actions

*“The sea, the great unifier, is man’s only hope.
Now, as never before, the old phrase has a literal meaning:
we are all in the same boat.”*

Jacques Yves Cousteau

THANK YOU.

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