

JOINING FORCES for the **ENERGY TRANSITION** in **EU FISHERIES** and **AQUACULTURE**

Directorate-General for Maritime
Affairs and Fisheries (DG MARE)

Energy Transition Partnership in EU
Fisheries and Aquaculture
Workshop on Finance

Wednesday 28 February 2024,
09h00 –13h00

#ETP_FishAqua

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Agenda

8h30 – 9h00

Registration & Welcome coffee

9h00 – 9h30

Welcome and introduction to the day
(Moderated by Stephen DAVIES (DG MARE))

Icebreaker

Introduction to the challenge of research and innovation

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- Techno-economic analysis for the energy transition of the fisheries and aquaculture sector – Ecorys
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Closing, incl. Next Steps

13h00 – 14h00

Light lunch networking



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Warm-Up question

Imagine you are on a fishing or aquaculture vessel in 2050, what is the one innovation that you see making a significant advancement from today's vessels?



Energy Transition in EU Fisheries and Aquaculture



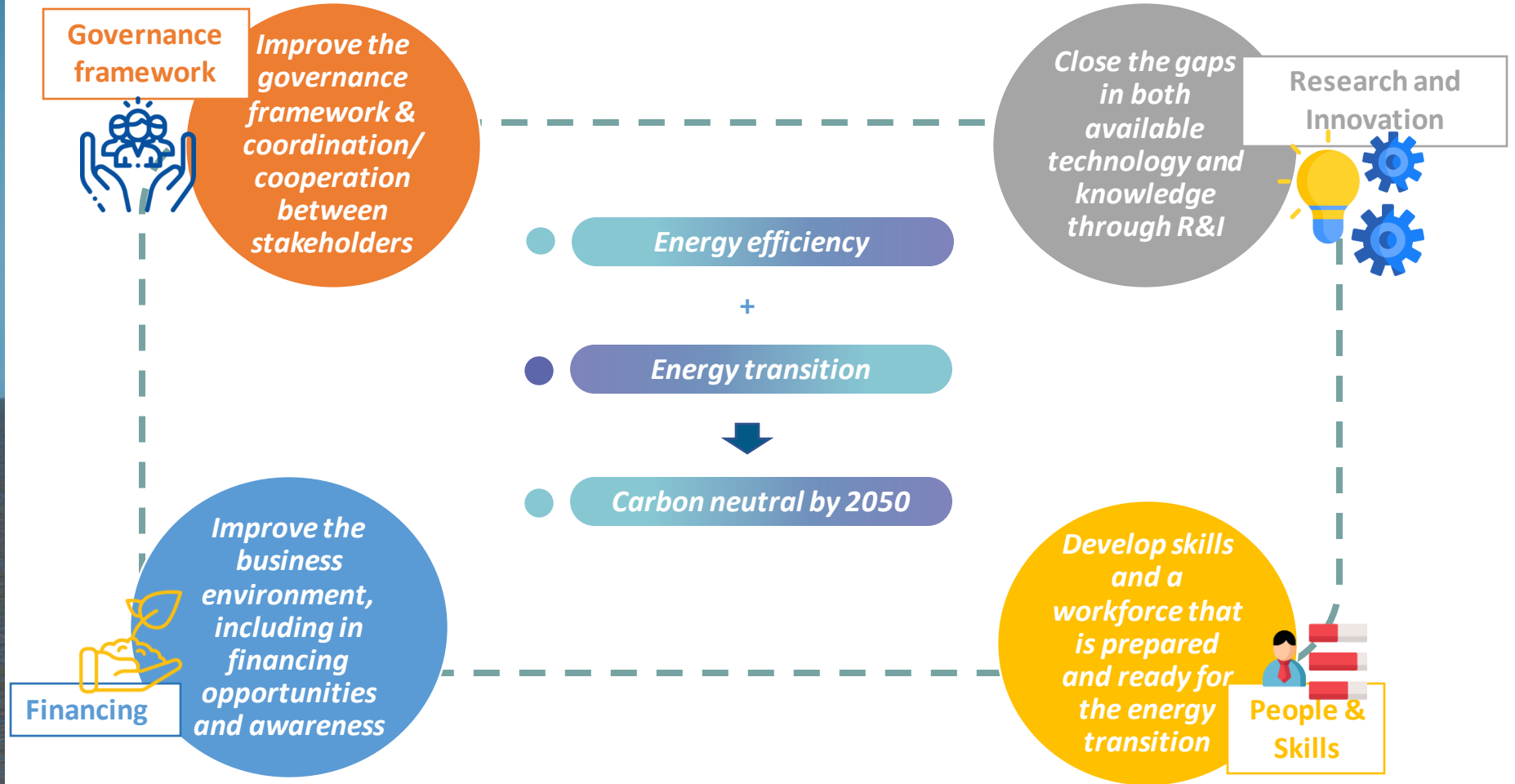
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Communication on Energy transition of EU fisheries and aquaculture

Four main areas to accelerate the transition



Knowledge and Innovation - deliverables



- Online platform: [ETP page within the EU Blue Economy Observatory website](#) (Online since Oct 2023)
- Compendium [Published](#) together with the Communication on 21 February 2022. To be updated [online \(with search function\)](#) in the EU Blue Economy Observatory website.
- Tool with impact of fuel prices in the fleet: [Fishing Fleet Fuel analysis - European Commission \(europa.eu\)](#) (Launched in May 2023)
- Opportunities to build synergies with networks and programmes to develop living labs (the EU-wide innovation ecosystem in real-life environments) including with the European Investment Bank:
- [EP pilot call launched](#) on 20/2/2024. Call closes in June 2024; [Info day](#) on 18 March.
- [EU study on technological advanced and their costs/benefits](#) for promoting and enabling the energy transition in the sector to gain better understanding of the costs, benefits, investment needs: Feb 2024

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90
Years

Answering
tomorrow's
challenges
today

Study summary

*Techno-economic analysis for the energy transition
of the fisheries and aquaculture sector*

Contents

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5	Aquaculture sector results

1 – Study context and objectives

The objective of the study was to map the low-carbon energy innovations and energy efficiency solutions within the EU fisheries and aquaculture sector by:

1. Determining the energy costs and related CO₂e emissions of the current status of EU fisheries and aquaculture sector;
2. Developing a “Techno-economic analysis” of the innovative low-carbon technologies and energy efficiency solutions in fisheries and aquaculture;
3. Defining the main barriers and bottlenecks, as well as the possibilities of synergies by design for an efficient transition path.

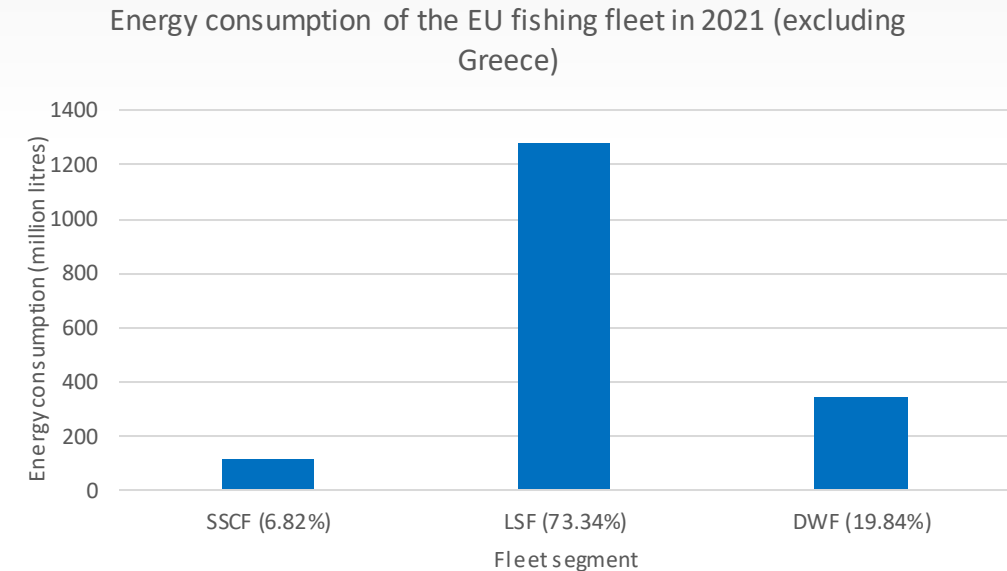


2 – Fisheries sector analysis logic

- A. **Baseline** energy costs and related CO₂e emissions.
- B. Identify and group **currently known innovations** that can reduce CO₂e emissions.
- C. Estimate **readiness levels, required capex, required opex** associated with innovations.
- D. Generate **Marginal Abatement Cost Curves** for short and long term.
- E. Cashflow analysis to **assess payback/ net present value indicators**
- F. **Risk-likelihood-consequence** analysis to address non-financial dimensions



2 – Fisheries baseline



- The fuel prices have shown variability from 2008 to 2023, with a peak between 2011 and 2013, as well as recently in 2022 which negatively affect fisher's income.
- The analysis reveals a decrease in average energy costs and CO2e emissions per tonne of fish over time.
- EU fishing fleet emissions account for 3-4% of EU maritime emissions, with LSF being the largest emitter.

2 – Fisheries sector emissions reduction opportunities

45 Innovations identified

- A. **Engine and propulsion innovations:** focus on enhancing engine efficiency (10)
- B. **Vessel design and operations:** includes modifications to reduce vessel resistance (3)
- C. **Alternative propulsion:** explores the use of biofuels, electrification and other non-fossil fuel sources (9)
- D. **Assisted propulsion:** looks at wind-assisted technologies (5)
- E. **Fishing gear:** modify nets and trawling methods (9)
- F. **On-board processing operations:** efficient ice pumps and refrigerants for fish freezing processes (3)
- G. **Facilitating processes:** such as smart steaming, route planning and energy monitoring devices (6)

3 – Selected results for fisheries

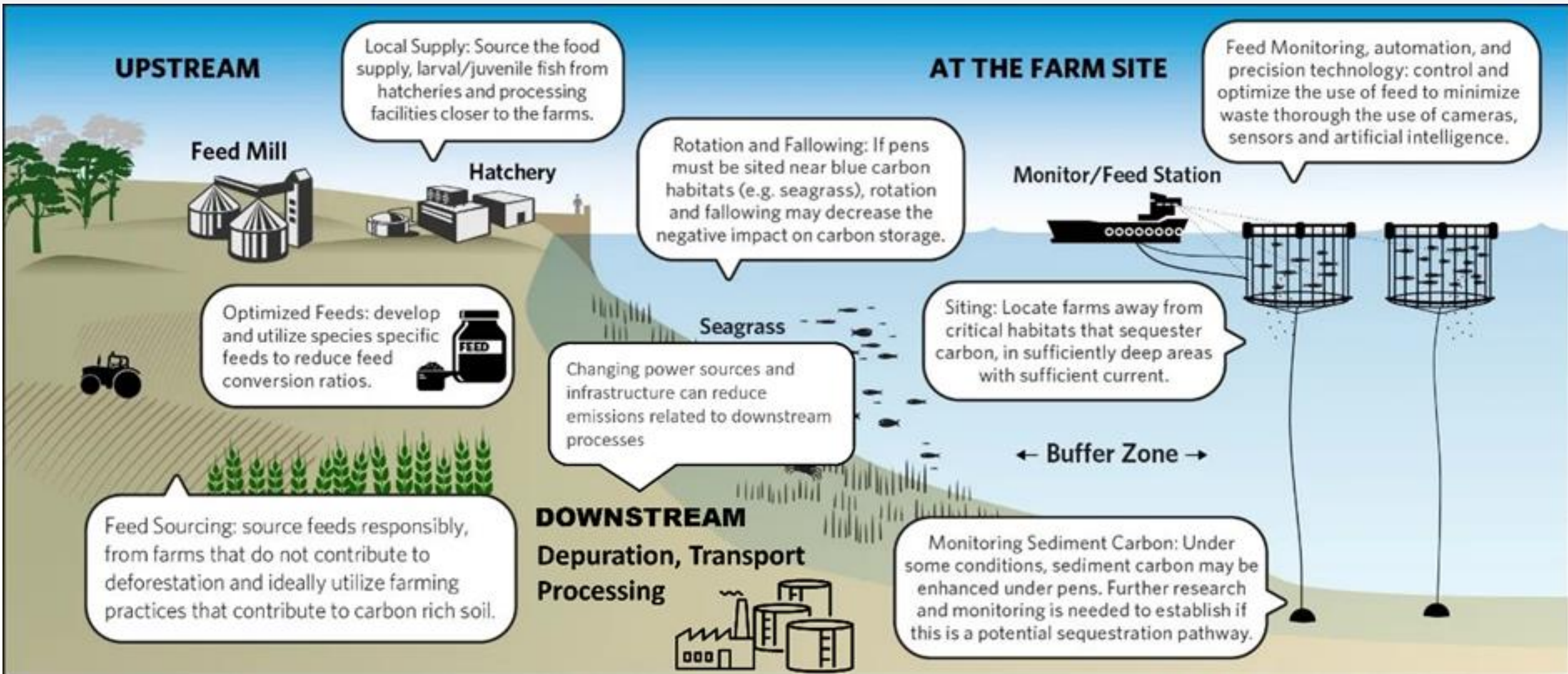
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- Analysed options for SSCF are loss-making with uncertain payback durations, no positive ROI.
- Significant financial gaps exist for these solutions to be profitable; diesel-electric solutions require up to EUR 488,616, energy audits as low as EUR 1,386.
- Biodiesel is the most promising for SSCF decarbonisation.

LSF and DWF

- Substituting trawlers with outriggers and sumwings offers best returns and significant CO₂e reductions for LSF and DWF segments.
- Positive EAAs for from various technologies that also bring CO₂e abatements reaching 25% for LSF and 40% for DWF >40m.

4 – Aquaculture sector analysis logic: complex supply chains



4 – Aquaculture sector analysis logic

- Identification of **main species farmed in EU** (in volume); and **main aquaculture typologies**.
- CO₂e emissions estimated based on **Life Cycle Assessment**.
- Analysis of the peer-reviewed literature on the application of LCA to EU aquaculture.
- Development of an «LCA model portfolio» based on inventories published in peer reviewed papers.
- **Estimation of CO₂e baseline emissions from EU aquaculture in 2019**, based on volumes and intensities of the main species/farming typologies.
- **Identification of the most promising innovations for reducing CO₂e emissions** at farm sites.
- **Validation:** workshops and targeted interviews.
- **Assessment of the CO₂e reduction** using the model portfolio in representative case studies.
- **Assessment of economic indicators** for the main segments of EU aquaculture (case study approach).

5 – Emissions baseline development

Commercial species	EU production 2019 [tonne]	Total CO ₂ e emissions [tonne]	Percentage contribution	EU Average Emission intensity [kgCO ₂ e/kg lw]
S1.1 Mussel	453,559	208,170	9.8	0.46
S1.1 Oyster	101,683	32,318	1.5	0.32
S1.1 Clam	32,734	9,662	0.5	0.30
S1.2 Seabream	92,476	424,930	20.0	4.59
S1.2 Seabass	83,872	407,332	19.1	4.84
S2.1 Carp	80,195	481,170	22.6	6.00
S2.2 Trout	196,837	564,472	26.5	2.87
Total EU 2019	1,041,386	2,112,085	100	2.043

S1.1: Marine aquaculture: shellfish

S1.2: Marine aquaculture: finfish

S2.1: Freshwater aquaculture: extensive/semi-intensive

S2.2_ Freshwater aquaculture: intensive

Contributions to EU CO₂e emissions



■ Mussel ■ Oyster ■ Clam ■ Seabream ■ Seabass ■ Carp ■ Trout

5 – Case studies: medium size rainbow trout farm, northern Italy

Hot spots:

- ✓ Electricity
- ✓ Liquid oxygen supply



Solution:

- ✓ Installation of Photovoltaic
- ✓ Investment in oxygen generator (from air)

Medium farm, Italy	Total emissions [tonne CO2e /tonne fish]	Feed emissions [tonne CO2e /tonne fish]	Electricity emissions [tonne CO2e /tonne fish]	Oxygen use emissions [tonne CO2e /tonne fish]
Benchmark	2.420	1.128	0.364	0.841
S2: 100% electricity covered by PV	2.122	1.128	0.065	0.841
S3: oxygen generator: 100% electricity covered by PV	1.317	1.128	0.0102	0

Payback period: 11 years
Economic lifetime: 10-15
Year for payback: 2034
Internal Rate of Return (IRR): 7%

5 – Results summary

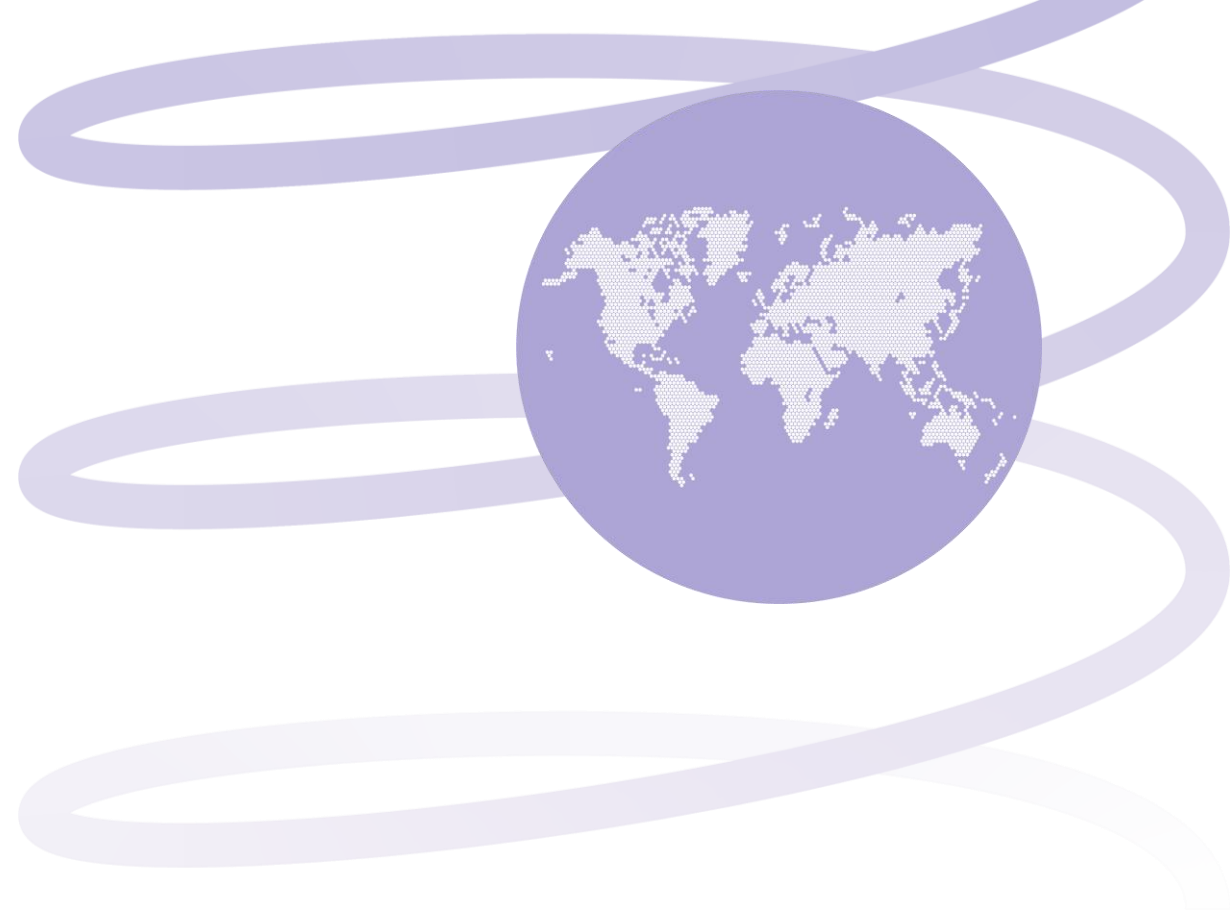
- CO₂e emissions from EU aquaculture, 2.13 Million tonnes in 2019, represent 0.6% of the total emissions estimated by the EAA for the agriculture sector, which in 2019 amounted to 368 million tonnes.
- These emissions can be further reduced by implementing innovations already available and, in some instances, economically viable.

Innovation	Segment	TRL	Available	CAPEX (EURO)	OPEX	CO ₂ e reduction potential in %
PV Installation	Land-based Aquaculture	9	Now	20.000 – 1.500.000	N/A	5-14%
PV Installation	Shellfish Hatchery	9	Now	250.000 – 300.000	N/A	43%
O ₂ Generator	Land-based Aquaculture	9	Now	150.000 – 500.000	N/A	16-33%
Barge	Marine Fish Aquaculture	9	Now	1.900.000 – 2.400.000	40.000 – 90. 000	8-13%
Electrification of boats	Marine Fish Aquaculture	9	Now	1.500.000	Depends on MS and distance to the coast	20-61%
Electrification of boats	Marine Shellfish Aquaculture	9	Now	250.000 – 750.000	Depends on MS and distance to the coast	41%

Thanks for your attention!

- Detailed study report is being made available (along with annexes on request)





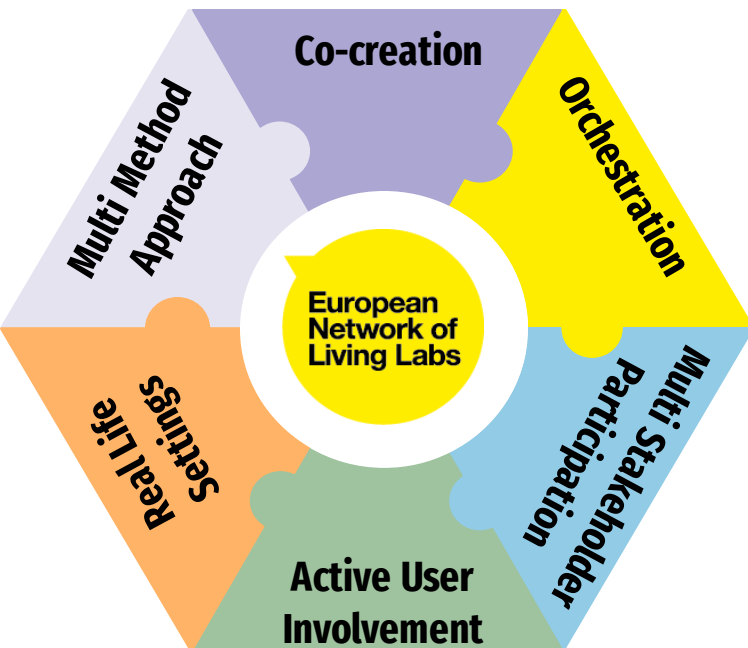
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DG MARE, 28th February 2024

Martina Desole, ENoLL Director

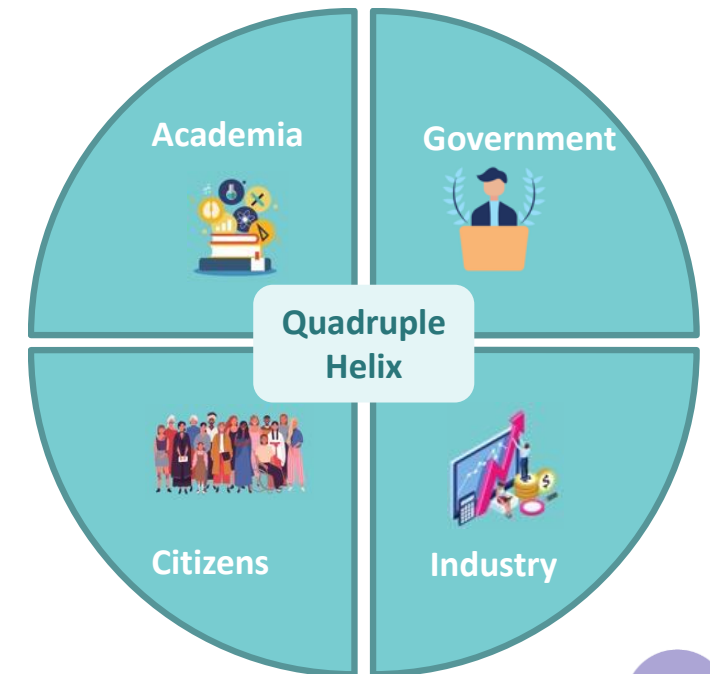
What are Living Labs?

Living Labs are **open innovation ecosystems** in **real-life environments** based on a **systematic user co-creation approach** that integrates research and innovation activities in communities, placing **citizens at the centre of innovation**



Living Labs operate as **intermediaries** among **citizens, research organisations, companies and government** agencies or levels for joint-value co-creation, rapid prototyping or to scale up innovation and businesses.


They are open innovation ecosystems in **real-life** environments using **iterative feedback processes** throughout the lifecycle approach of an innovation



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**OPEN
INNOVATION**



*"Turning an idea into a solution
that adds value
from a customer's perspective"*

Nick Skillicorn

*"Any variation goes,
as long as it includes "new"
and it addresses customer
needs and wants"*

Robert Brands

@innovationrules



**anything that is
new, useful, and surprising**

Drew Boyd

@DrewBoyd

idea



**"STAYING
RELEVANT"**

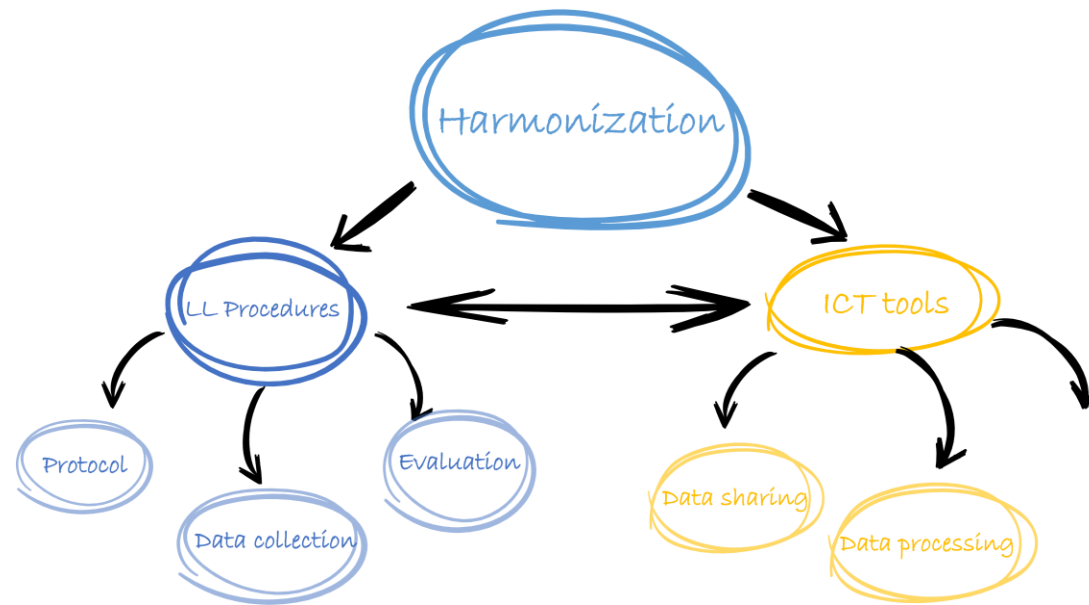
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**USER DRIVEN
INNOVATION**

LL are a modern tool for research,

adapted to the needs of today, where citizen can contribute to the co-research and where Living labs can be considered at service of Science as **real Research infrastructures**, and as **Technology research infrastructures** depending on the innovation stage of maturity they are operating in.



LLs in real-life environments

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Ethics Manager



Doctor/nurse



Family



Patient



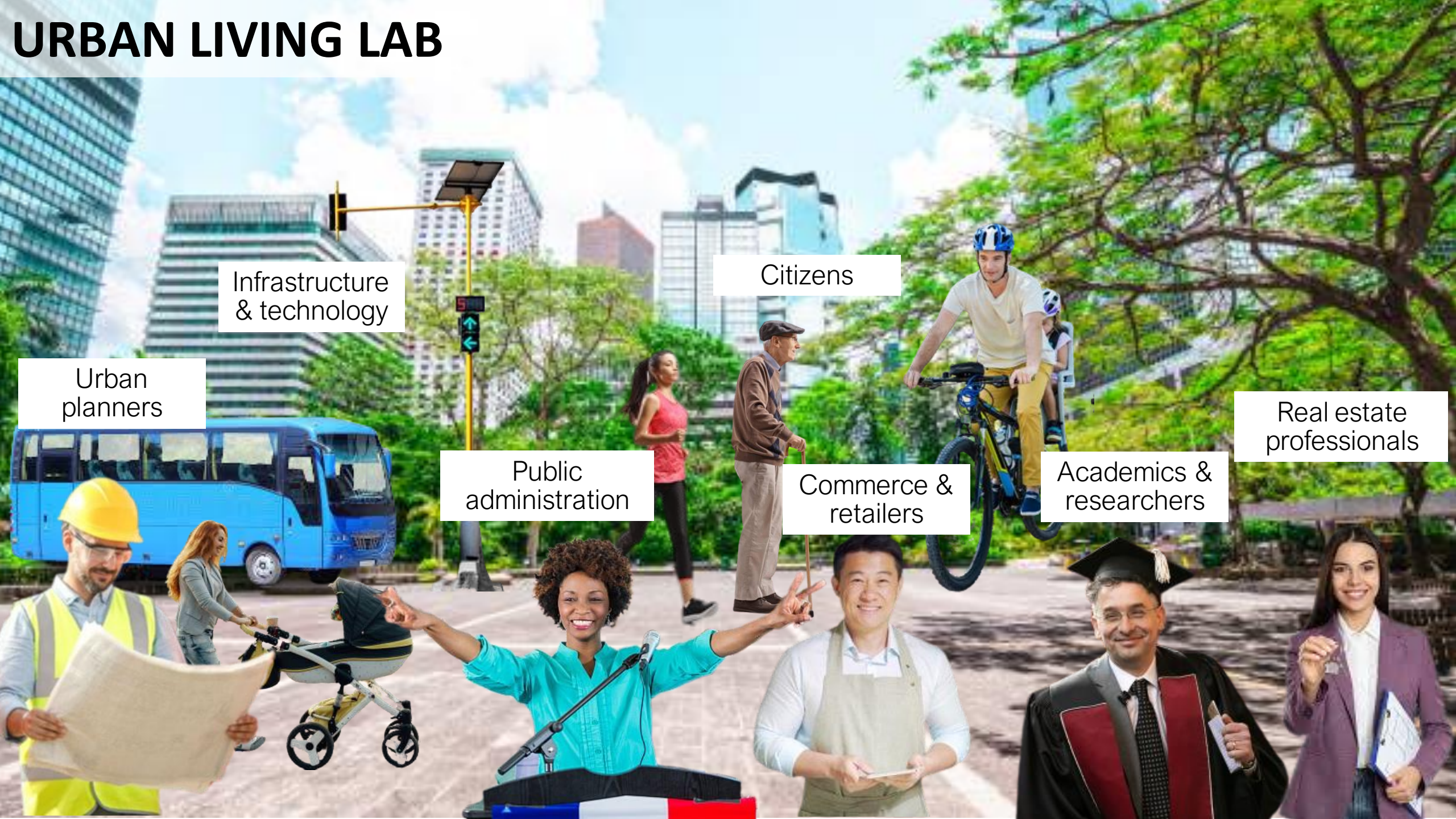
Psychologist



Wearable sensor



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Infrastructure & technology

Citizens

Urban planners

Real estate professionals

Public administration

Commerce & retailers

Academics & researchers





Academics & researchers

Vessels

Renewables technologies

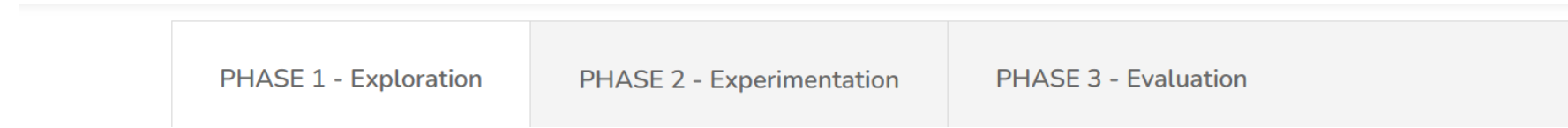
Food processing

Fisherman

Aquaculture



LLs are based on systematic user co-creation approach



ITERATION 1: Prototype

ITERATION 3: Develop

IDEO course on prototyping +

filter

MVP +

+

The Bristol Approach to Citizen Sensing +

filter

SILK method cards +

Solution Prototype vs. Empathy Prototype +

Community Canvas +

Design with intent +

CTA toolbox +

Hackathon +

ITERATION 2: Test

ITERATION 1: Launch

Prototype testing plan +

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Scrum & Sprint +

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Value Proposition Canvas +

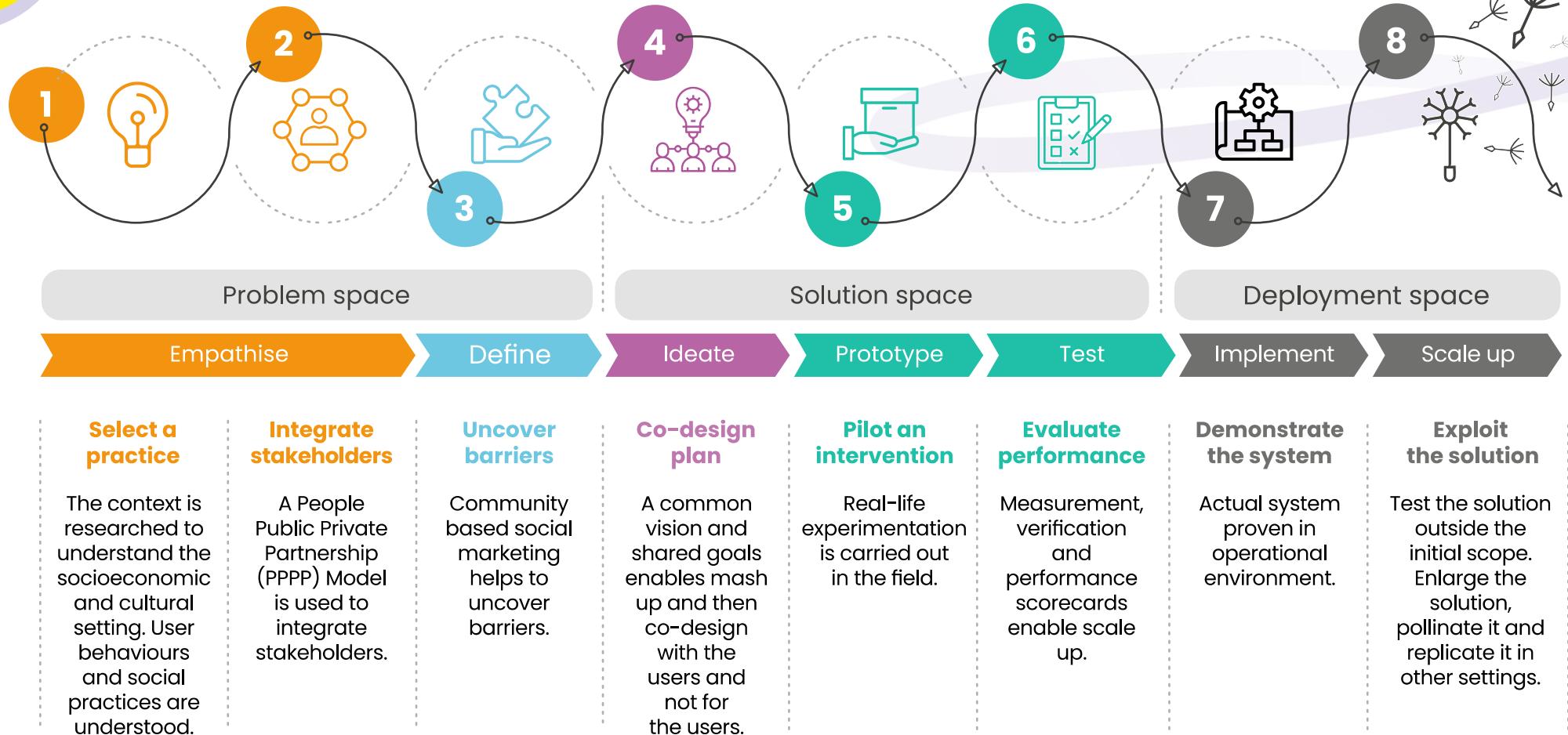
User innovation toolbox +

Usability test +

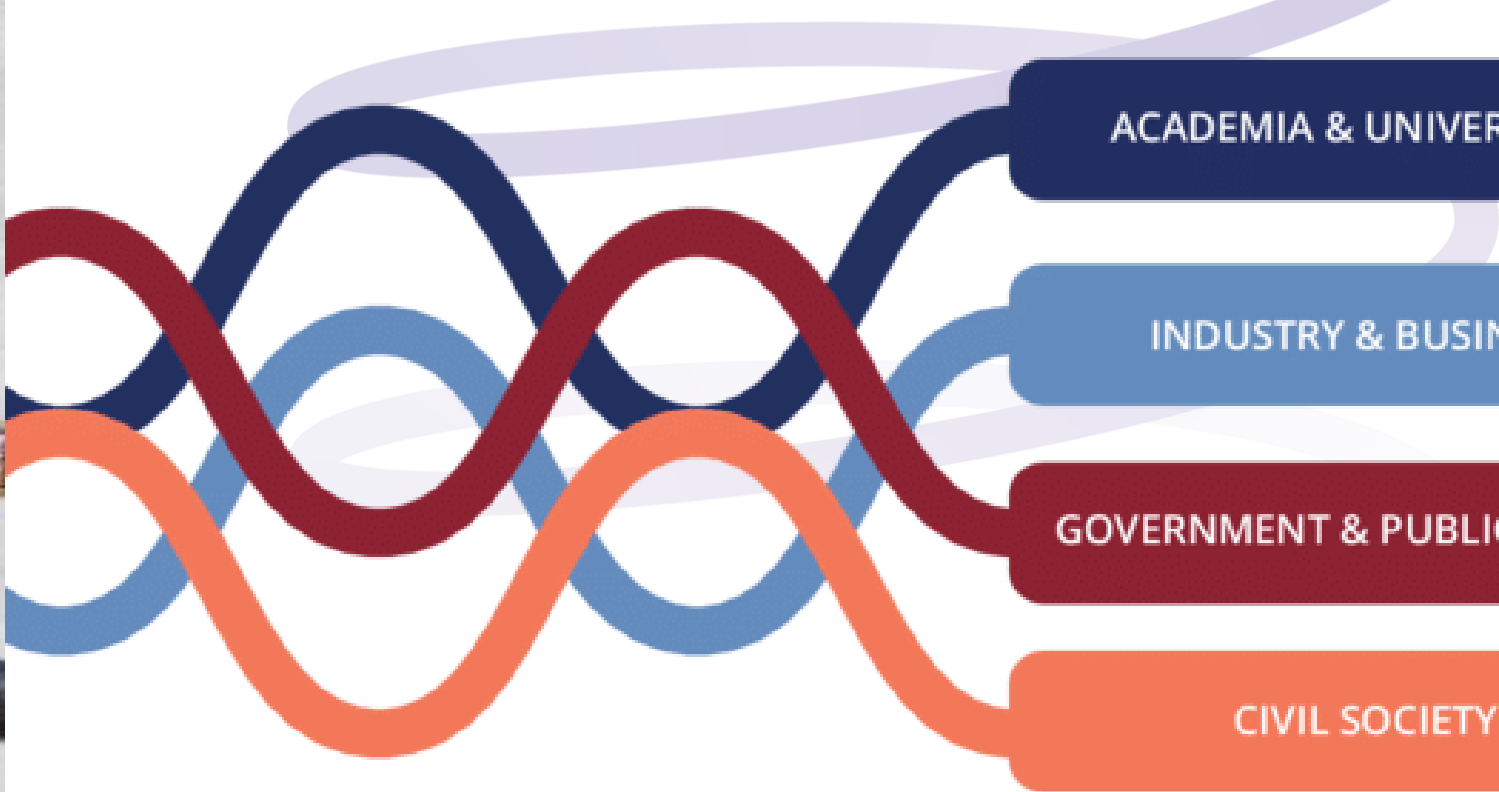
Business Model Canvas +



LIVING LAB INTEGRATIVE PROCESS - DESIGN THINKING



*Adapted from Mastelic, 2019



Living Lab are trustful regional ecosystems

Living Labs create a trustful environment that all stakeholders perceive as safe and neutral to open and contribute, understanding the value for them but also the value for the whole ecosystem





Regional Innovation Hubs

Why Living Labs?

Derisk innovation

Transforming clients into developers, LLs support the creation of products and services that are more suitable for the market



Real-life environment

LL provide a real-life environment for **testing and validating innovations**



Bridge the research/market gap

LL help bridge the gap between research and market uptake, leading to **more impactful innovations**



Address complex societal challenges

LL are powerful tools for co-creating solutions that address complex societal challenges and **wicked problems** that are complex, dynamic, and often involve multiple stakeholders



Insights into the adoption

LL provide valuable insights into the adoption and **sustainability of innovations** in the long run



Involve end-users in the innovation process

LL involve end-users in the innovation process, ensuring solutions are **tailored to their needs**



Faster innovation cycle

LL facilitate **rapid iteration and prototyping of solutions**, leading to faster innovation cycles



Quadruple helix

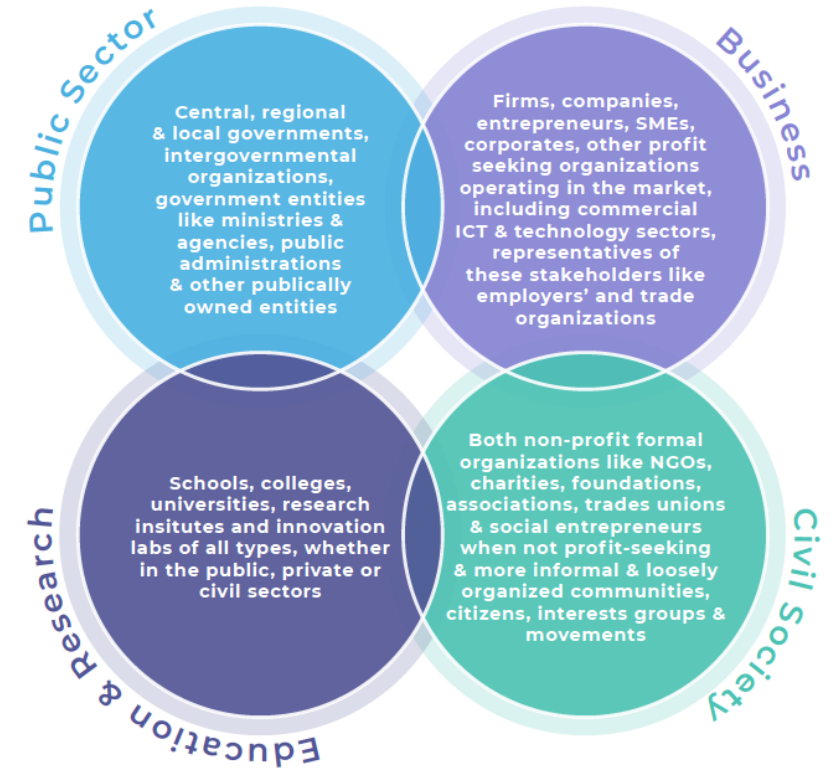
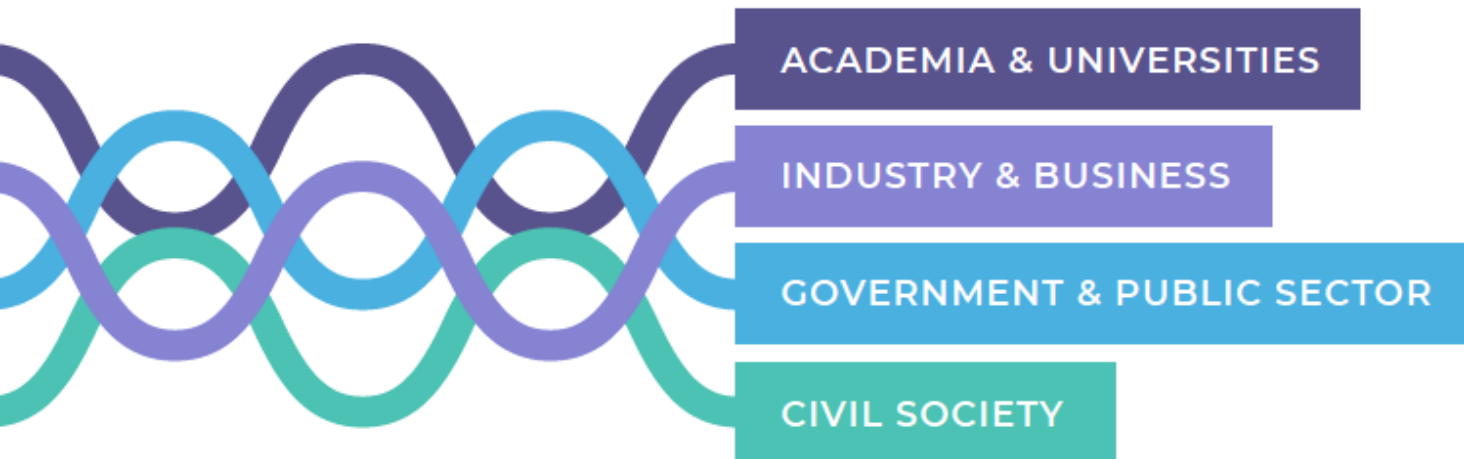
LL enable collaboration between different stakeholders, including researchers, industry partners, and communities



QUADRUPLE HELIX

Industry, Academia, Public Authorities and Citizens are part of the so-called Quadruple Helix model (QHM), where **users** are placed **at the heart of the innovation ecosystem**.

This means that **citizens/users must be considered as actors, not factors**, of the innovation process.



LIVING LABS CHALLENGES

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**Theoretical & Methodological
Challenges**

**Governance & Process-related
Challenges**

**Actors' Motivations, Needs and
Expectations**

Ethical Challenges

Living Labs EU-wide recognition

22 topics within the
**23-24 Horizon
Europe work
programme**
explicitly ask to set-
up/use Living Labs

**Joint Working
Groups** ENoLL
& European
Commission

Living Labs cited as
one of the five
flagships of the
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Partnership for Agroecology



A Soil Deal for Europe Mission



Zero Pollution – Green Deal



Cancer Mission



Climate-neutral and smart
cities Mission



Climate Change Mission



Regulatory learning tool





CASE STUDY ILVO MARIEN LIVING LAB



Via CO-CREATION TO SUSTAINABLE blue INNOVATION

The Marine Living Lab strives for accelerated and sustainable innovation in the blue sectors. Concrete questions from those sectors are picked up and worked out together with suitable partners into a tailor-made solution or project. The living lab has expertise and a broad network in fisheries, the marine environment, marine production, marine biotechnology and the blue economy in general.

[Read more about the Marine Living Lab](#) →

Quick links

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Why Certification



ENoLL Living Labs undergo a structural and methodological quality assessment of their maturity as an innovation ecosystem. This seal of quality makes ENoLL Living Labs the global standard on user-driven innovation.

consistent use of a Living Lab approach

Timișoara, România

24 - 27 September

OpenLivingLab Days 2024



Timișoara, România

OpenLivingLab Days 2024



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Aachen, 24 June 2024**



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New York, 16 – 18 September 2024 –

Sessions and Field visits



**ENoLL in India
Bangalore, November 2024**



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- what are livinglabs?
- how do you develop and set up living labs ?
- recent examples of living labs that R&D of technologies that are being used for energy transition in our sector or that can be eventually also used or considered for our sector.
- how do different stakeholders collaborate in your projects?
- what has been your biggest challenges and your biggest opportunities so far of living labs?
- how do we create the right environment for R&I, and attract the different stakeholders to create living labs?



WATERBORNE

Waterborne Technology Platform





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WHO ARE WE?

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Waterborne TP Association

A European Technology Platform for the Waterborne sector

- All waterborne stakeholders such as ship-owners, shipbuilders, maritime equipment manufacturers, infrastructure and service providers, classification societies, universities or research institutes, waterway and port operators;
- Currently 120 members, representing the main stakeholders of the European waterborne transport sector (shipyards, maritime equipment manufacturers, shipowners, research institutes, academia, associations, etc....),
- Waterborne = Maritime + Inland Navigation and lakes + Ports!
- cPP on Zero-Emission Waterborne Transport and other activities
- Three working groups: Ships & Shipping, Ports & Logistics and Blue Growth



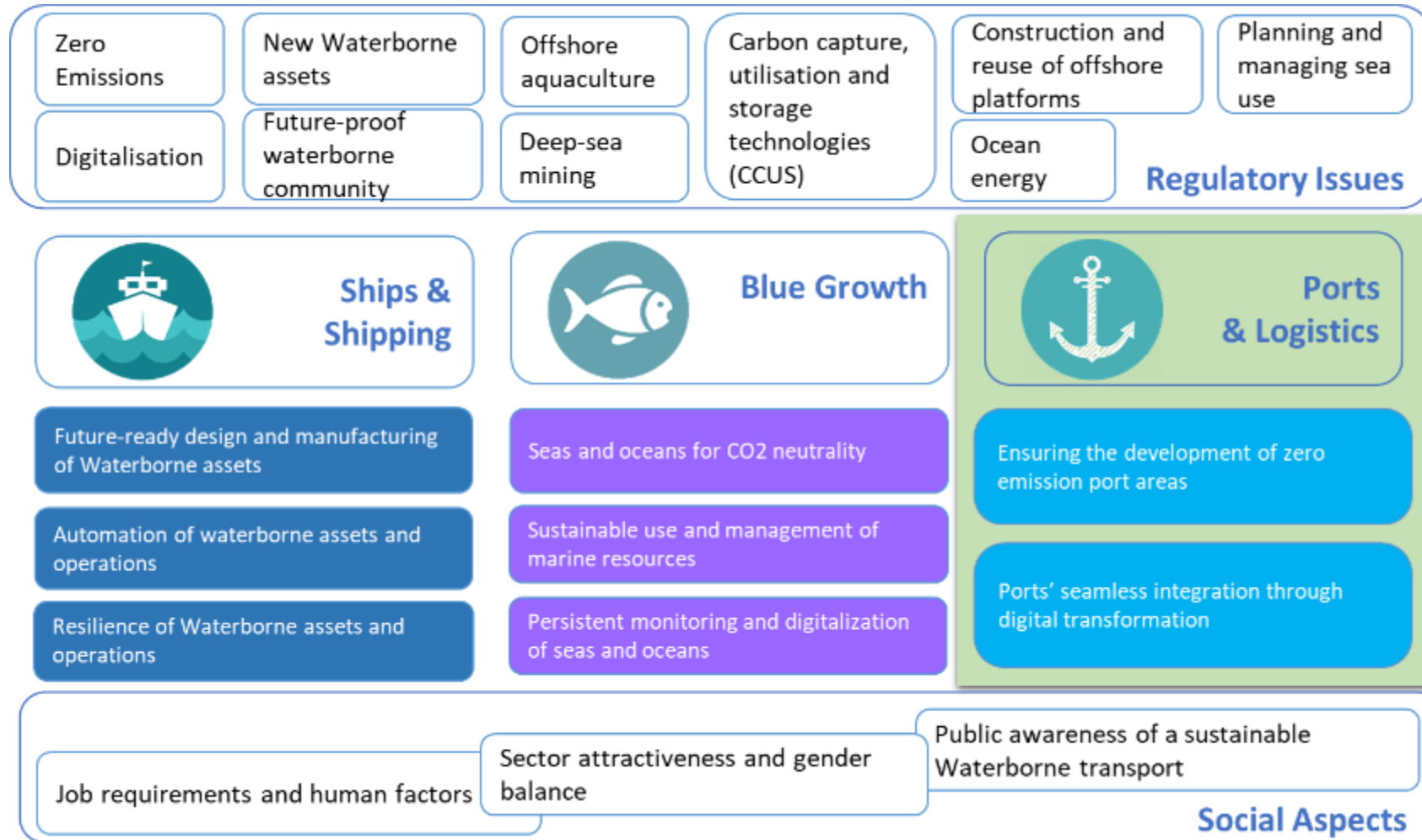


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**SRIAs OF
THE WATERBORNE SECTOR**



Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) for the European Waterborne Sector – Global view

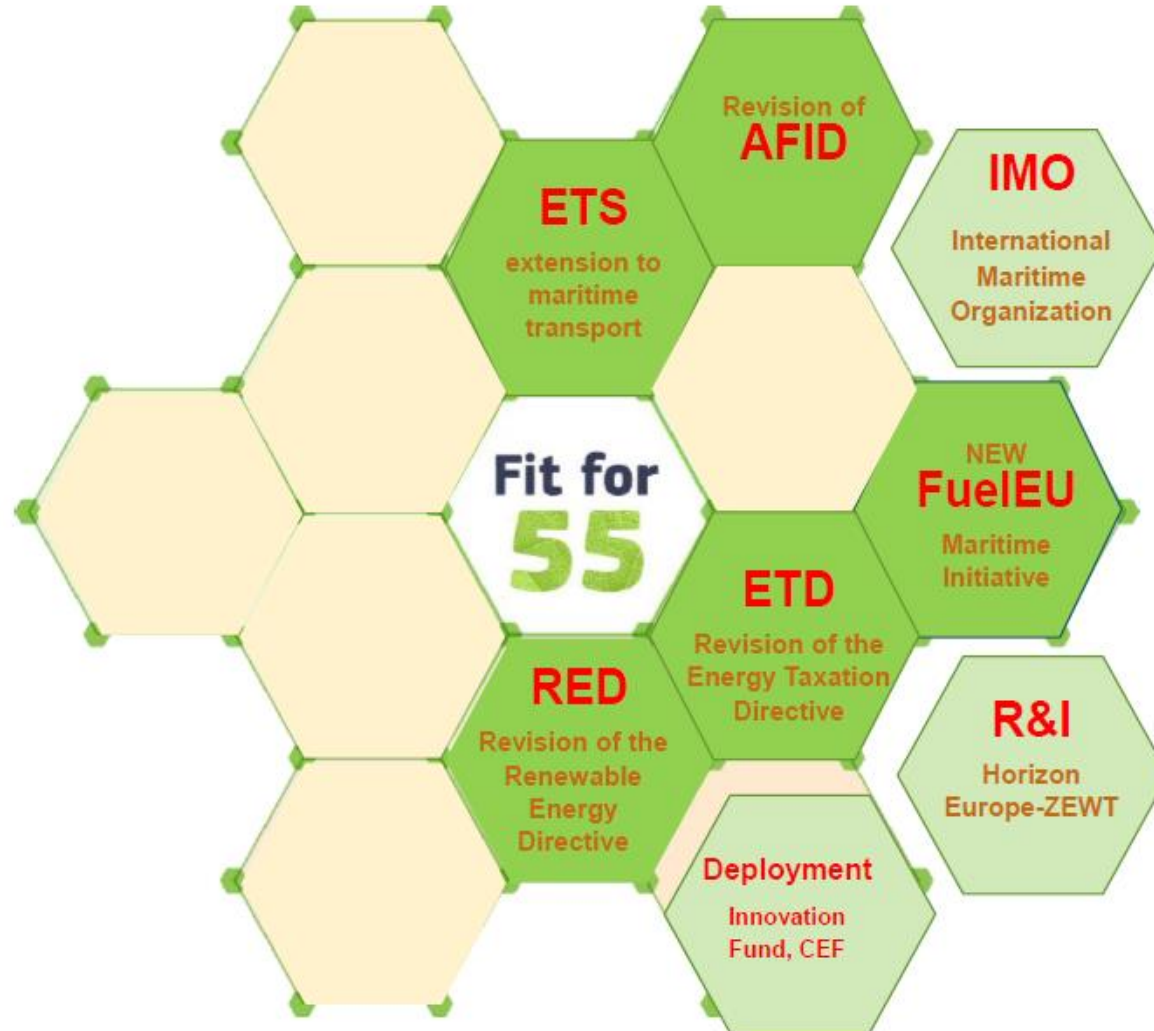




Partnership



Decarbonising Waterborne Transport: “Basket of Measures”



MARITIME

ZEWT= Zero Emission Waterborne Transport Partnership

What is an EU Partnership

- Collaboration between the EU and the Waterborne Association (crucial role of Member States and Associated Countries)
- Definition of roadmap for research, innovation, and technology development
- co-Programming of EU calls for research, including demonstration
- EU will run calls and projects in the normal way
- Spin-off: much more attention for maritime sector in other EU funds (Innovation Fund, CEF)
- Recognition of the importance of the sector (all actors in the waterborne transport ecosystem)

Zero-emission waterborne transport partnership

(Co programmed partnership, lead by Waterborne TP which mobilises a critical mass of over 100 partners, over €0.5 Bn EU funds leveraged 6 times with private investment to achieve zero-emission waterborne transport vessels)

Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda:

R&I to develop and demonstrate zero-emission solutions for all main ship types and services by 2030 which will enable zero-emission waterborne transport by 2050.

Eliminating **GHG emissions** from new ships and retrofitted existing ships by means of sustainable alternative climate-neutral fuels, renewable energies, electrification and energy efficiency.

Cutting coastal and inland pollution to air by at least 50% compared to current levels

Elimination of pollution to water (including harmful underwater noise) from ships

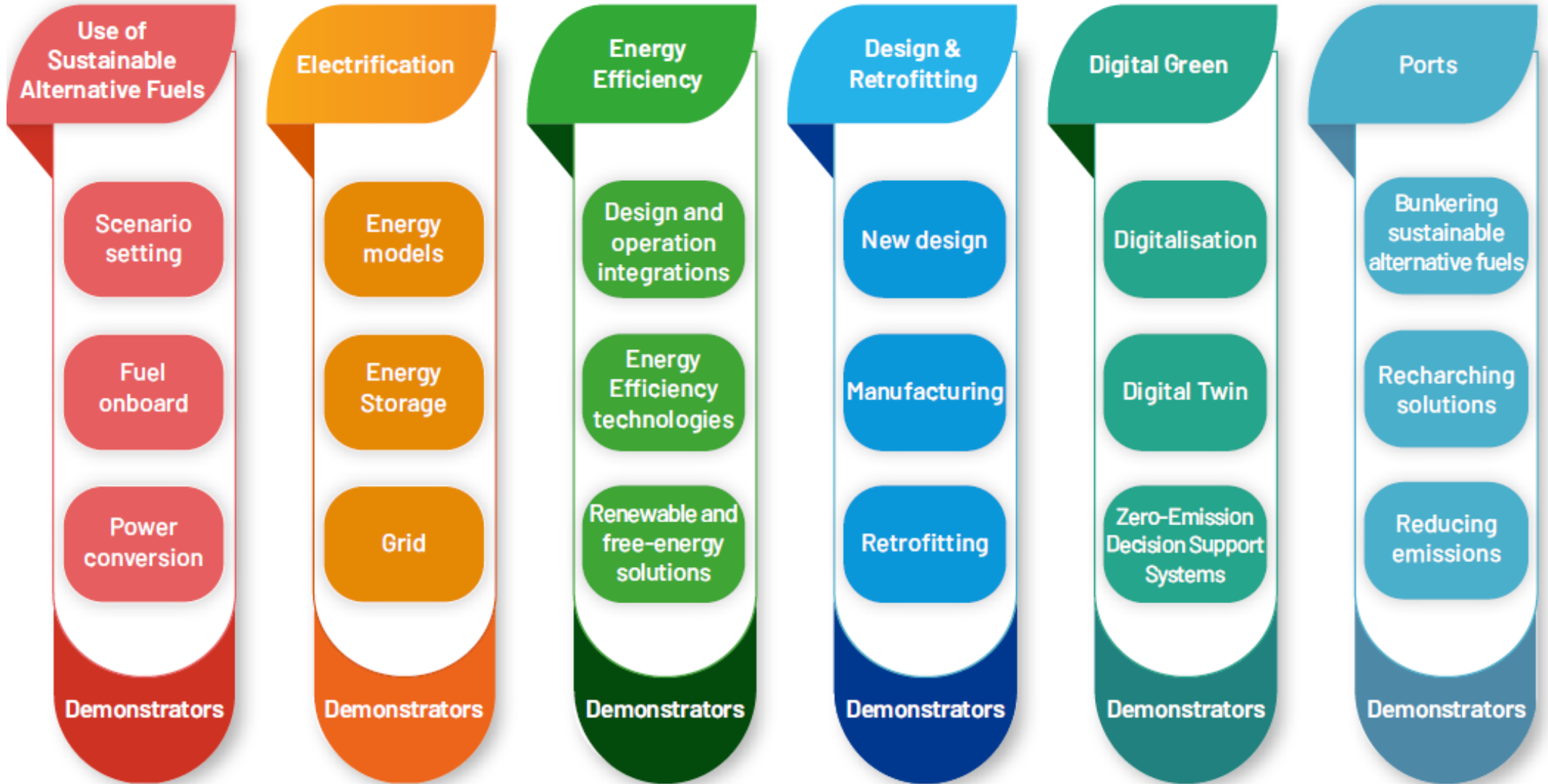


Implementation pathways

- Simplification of fleet into 6 ship types
 - Long distance ships
 - Cruise ships
 - Ferries
 - Inland vessels
 - Short-sea ships
 - Offshore ships
- Distinction made in trade
 - Liner or tramp service
- Both newbuilt as well as retrofiting



Activities



- large-scale demonstration of the use of a tri-fuel (ammonia-based) engine in an existing vessel;
- retrofit a bulk carrier with highly innovative technologies and demonstrate that it is possible to replace auxiliary generators with a new fuel system that runs on e-fuels;
- Capesize vessels as the demonstrating vessel will be retrofitted to utilize hydrogen (H₂) as the main energy source for electric power generation;
- Wind assisted propulsion



WATERBORNE

Thank you!

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**Sustainable Blue
Economy Partnership**

Setting sails:

The Partnership's new R&I projects

Introduction to the Suite of Projects

**Contribution from
Marta Norton
FCT, Portugal**



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«The Way forward: A thriving sustainable Blue Economy for a Brighter future»

Five Priority Areas

The first call, launched on 13 February 2023, aimed to support transnational R&I projects addressing the following priority areas:

- (1) Planning and managing sea-uses at the regional level
- (2) Development of offshore marine multi-use infrastructures to support the blue economy
- (3) Climate neutral, environmentally sustainable, and resource-efficient blue food and feed
- (4) Green transition of Blue Food production
- (5) Digital Twins of the Ocean (DTOs) test use cases at EU sea-basins and the Atlantic Ocean





SBEP joint transnational call 1 19 selected proposals

General information

- 19 selected proposals for a total requested budget of 27,314,215 €
- On average, the requested budget per proposal was 1,437,590 €
- Project partners come from 21 different countries, including EU Member States, Associated Countries, and third countries.
- 89 participating organisations have declared a public status (55,6%) and 71 have declared a private status (44.4%), among them 41 SMEs



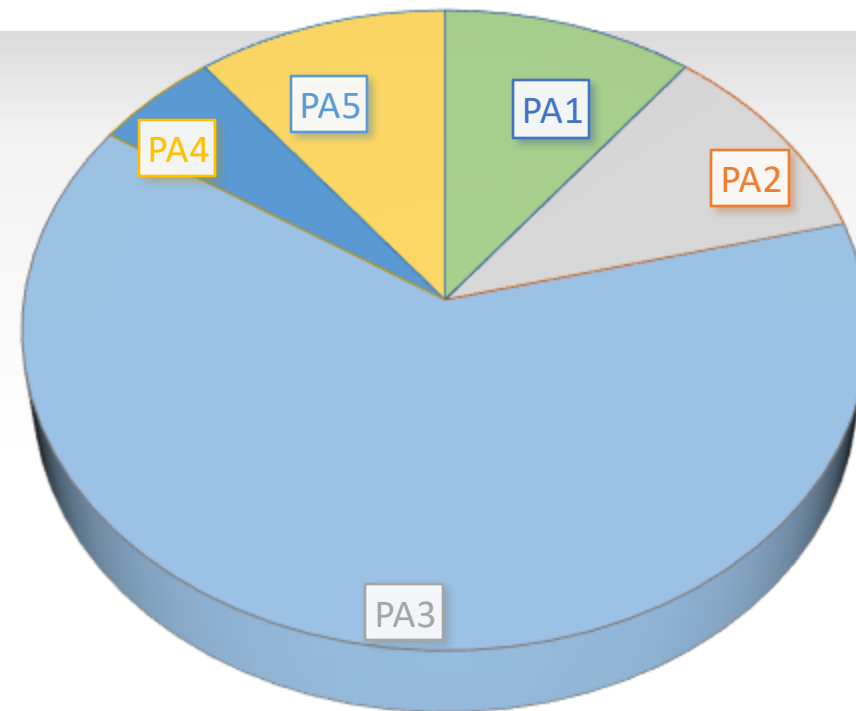


19 Selected proposals General information

Priority Areas

The 19 selected projects address all five Priority Areas of the call.

PA3 mobilised the strongest response (12 of the 19 selected projects).



Priority Area	No. Proposals	Percentage
PA1 - Planning and managing sea uses at the regional level	2	10,5
PA2 - Development of offshore marine multi-use infrastructures to support the blue economy	2	10,5
PA3 - Climate-neutral, environmentally sustainable and resource-efficient blue food and feed	12	63,2
PA4 - Green transition of Blue Food production	1	5,3
PA5 - Digital Twin of the Ocean (DTO) test use cases at EU sea-basins and the Atlantic Ocean	2	10,5



Sea-Basins

The majority of the selected proposals **address more than one sea-basin**; Mediterranean Sea, Atlantic Ocean, Baltic Sea and North Sea are equally covered. Black Sea is only addressed in 2 proposals.

Sea-Basin	No. Proposals
Atlantic Ocean	13
Baltic Sea	11
Black Sea	2
Mediterranean Sea	12
North Sea	13
Other sea-basins (e.g, Norwegian, Barents, Polar oceans, etc.)	4



SBEP joint transnational call 1

Examples from each of the priority areas

- **AQUABALANCE** (PA4 Green transition of Blue Food production)
Balancing economic, environmental, and social sustainability in the European aquaculture industry
- **DTO-Track** (PA5 Digital Twin)
Digital Twin of the Ocean: Animal Tracking
- **FAMOS** (PA2 Offshore marine multi-use infrastructures)
Sustainable, Reliable and Socially Acceptable Modular Floating IslAnds for Multi-use Offshore Spaces
- **MEDSEAPLAN** (PA1 Planning and managing sea-uses)
Data and Scenarios for a Sustainable Mediterranean Blue Economy
- **SEAREFINERY** (PA3 Blue Food & Feed)
Improved valorization of marine sources and processing waste for resource efficient blue food/ feed and environmentally sustainable materials development

PA1 Planning and managing sea-uses

BlueEcho

aims to improve **the shipping and wind-farm industries sustainability** and conserve species biodiversity by **assessing noise impacts on marine fauna** and **evaluating the efficiency** of various **mitigation acoustic measures to reduce noise levels.**

PA5 Digital Twin

ARCFISH

Develop a pilot Digital Twin of the Ocean (DTO) Platform delivering new data products and services in support of sustainable Arctic Fisheries

SBEP joint transnational call 1 Selected Projects

PA2 Offshore marine multi-use infrastructures

INSPIRE

Aims to **combine marine renewable energy constructions with hydrogen production**, to develop multi-use structures and materials to reduce, recycle, reuse while being resistant to extreme environmental conditions.



SBEP joint transnational call 1

Selected Projects

AquaUP

Aims to investigate **seaweed-modified functional compounds in aquatic feed** to improve growth, immune response, and disease resistance in **aquaculture**

Blue Boost

Aims to demonstrate that **co-culture of a wide range of low trophic species with established species can boost current European aquaculture** of blue foods and feeds while **reducing the environmental footprint** and moving towards a carbon-neutral aquaculture blue economy

PA3 Blue Food & Feed

Blue Bio Boost

Aims for a **sustainable economic development of the macroalgae industry** by

(1) suitable selection of genotypes, (2) better exploiting genetic variation, (3) actively involving stakeholders in creating a plan for future macroalgae breeding in Europe



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Selected Projects

BLUEWAYSE

Proposes a **significant cut in the CO2 emissions of the food and feed sectors**, creating synergies and exploiting opportunities to achieve environmental and health benefits via economic sustainability

CliN-BlueFeed

Ambitions to develop and **use a low-CO2 smart autonomous multiplatform system** to monitor and forecast *Calanus finmarchicus* stock which is a new sustainable climate neutral blue fish feed **for the growing aquaculture industry**

PA3 Blue Food & Feed

FOODIMAR

Aims to develop **new industry-relevant solutions from fisheries and aquaculture side-streams** for climate-friendly, cost-effective, sustainable, and high-quality food market applications



PA3 Blue Food & Feed

RE-BLUE

Explore **new scalable food value chains** from the large parts of the herring/sprat catches that are currently discarded

SEAFOODTURE

Aims to contribute towards an **integral valorisation of seaweeds** for the production of sustainable, high nutritional quality **food products**.

FunSea

Aims to enhance **nutritional quality, safety and functional properties of cultivated brown and green algae as food ingredients**, through development of new sustainable processing technologies and utilization of side streams and residual biomass from related industries.



SHELLFISHBOOST

The long-term goal is to **mitigate the effects of climate change on the bivalve production** to protect and develop a vital blue bioeconomic sector in Europe, **through genetic selection and selective breeding best practices for target species**

PA3 Blue Food & Feed

WASTE2TASTE

Aims to **valorize post harvest fish losses**, showing potential applications in a circular economy and an eco-friendly vision by **developing protocols for sustainable exploitation of underused and/or wasted marine resources**, to obtain high-value products for food applications.



- **More information about each project:**
 - Priority Area, consortium members, Coordination, Partners Institutions/countries, keywords and abstract, **available on the SBEP website / news**
<https://bluepartnership.eu/news/partnership-decides-first-batch-co-funded-projects>
with the leaflet presenting each project
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**DECARBONISING
THE FISHING FLEET
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EXPERTS IN MARINE AND FOOD RESEARCH

> Research area: Sustainable Fishing Technologies



Team: 15 people (~75% PhD)

Background: engineering, environmental sciences, oceanography, marine biology, marine science, cartography, computer science, fishing master

Experience in vessels and fishing operations (boarding and work on board, ports) and laboratory - computational



More than 290 professionals in 3 Centers



Research/Focus: Fishing operations

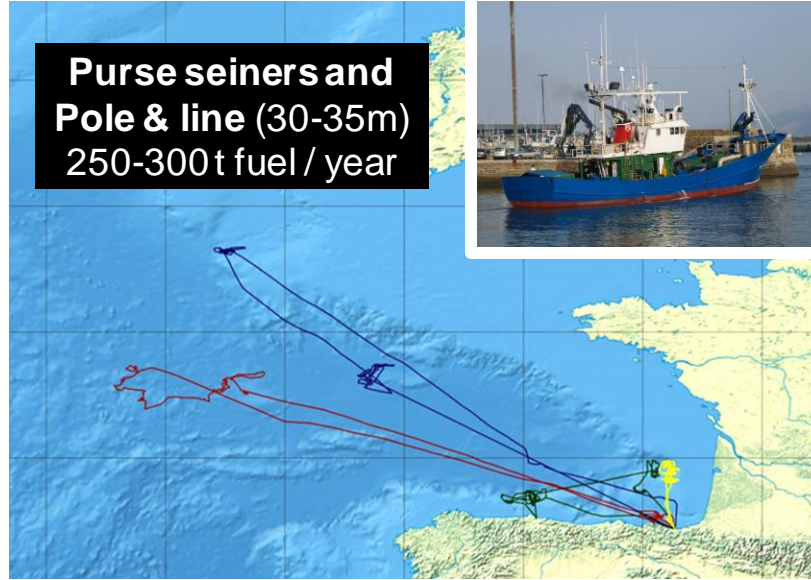
1. Fishing Gear Selectivity
2. Fleet Digitalisation
3. **Fleet Decarbonisation**
4. Marine Litter and Circular Economy
5. Process Innovation on Board

FISHING VESSELS ARE DIVERSE: ONE-FITS-ALL SOLUTIONS DO NOT EXIST

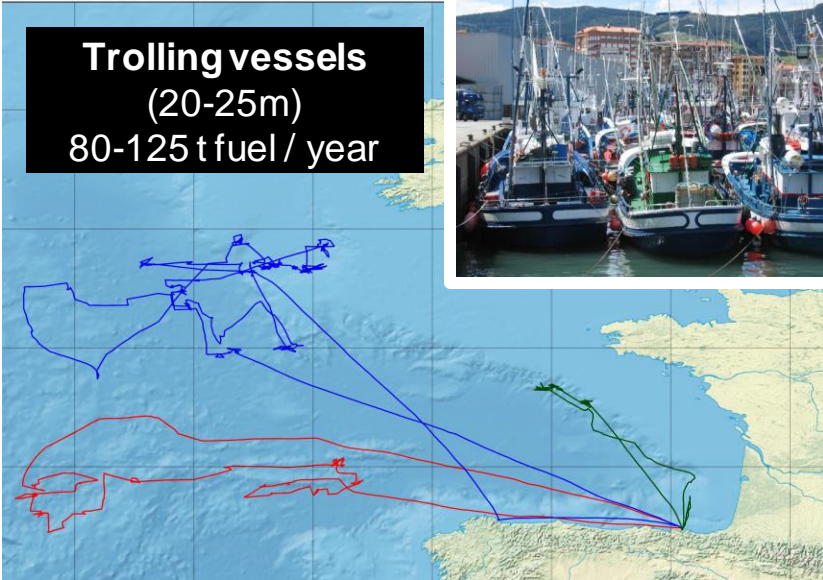
Artisanal (<15m)
20-30 t fuel / year



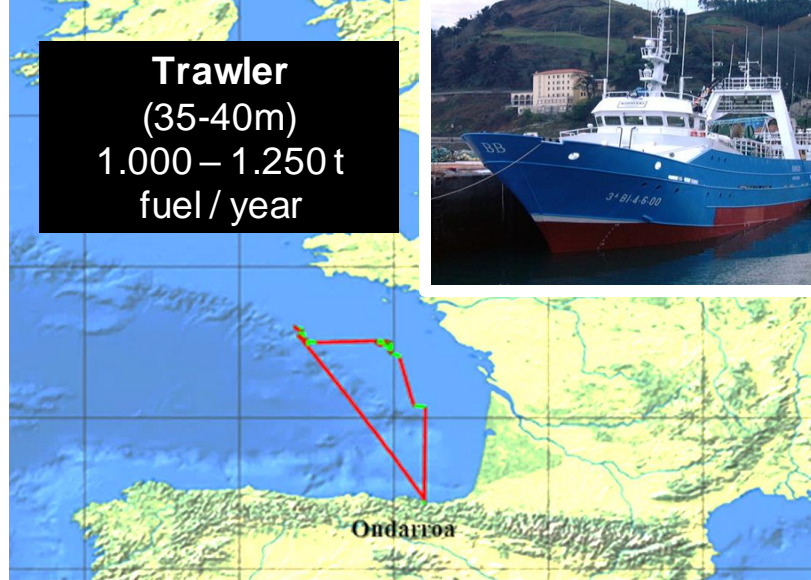
Purse seiners and Pole & line (30-35m)
250-300 t fuel / year



Trolling vessels (20-25m)
80-125 t fuel / year



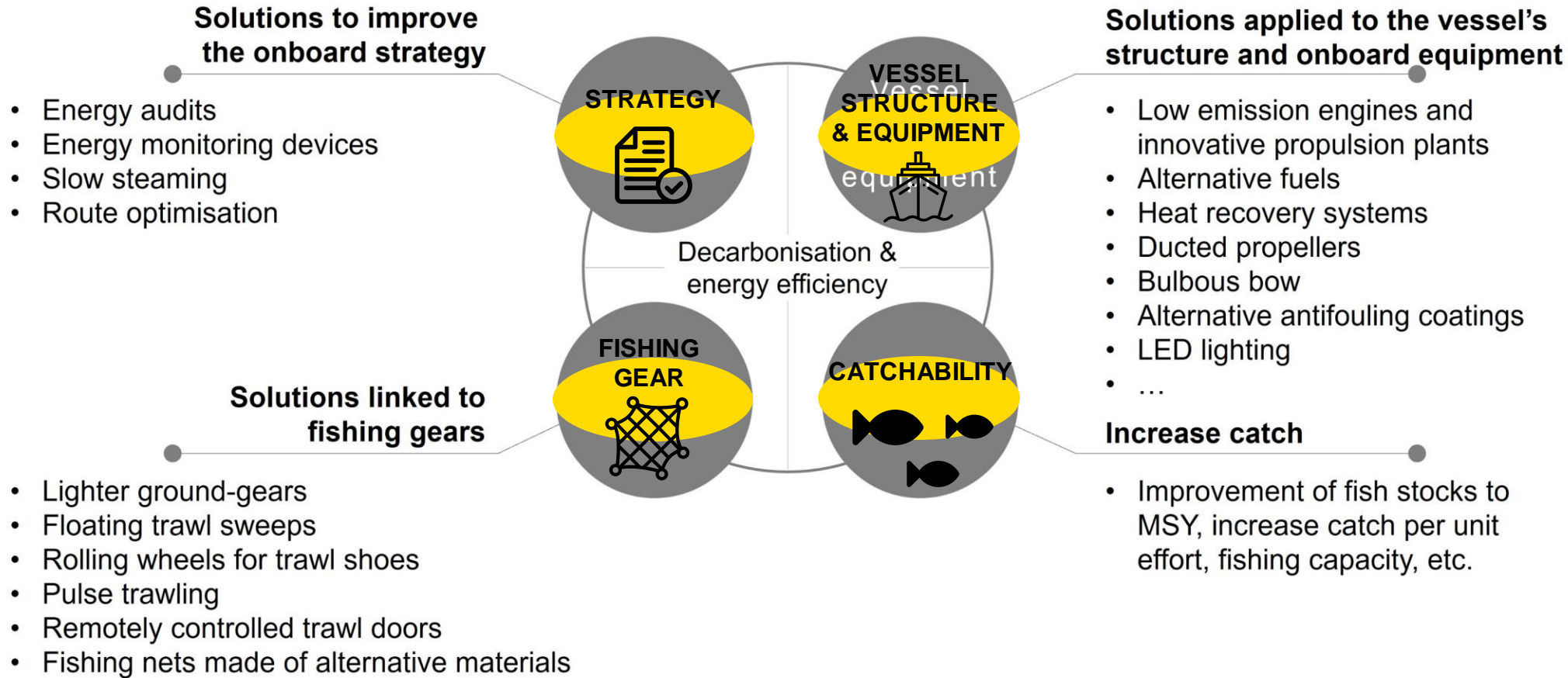
Trawler (35-40m)
1.000 – 1.250 t fuel / year



Tropical tuna purse seiner (80-100m)
3.000 – 7.000 t fuel / year



DESCARBONISATION SOLUTIONS FOR FISHERIES

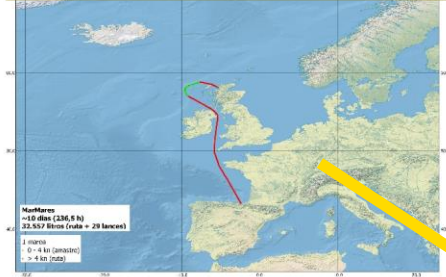


Basurko O.C. et al, Workshop on the European Green Deal – Challenges and opportunities for EU fisheries and aquaculture, Part I: Decarbonisation & circular economy aspects for fisheries, Presentation for the Committee on Fisheries (PECH), 2023.



AZTI & ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN FISHERIES

FISHING OPERATION MONITORING



FUEL CONSUMPTION MONITORING



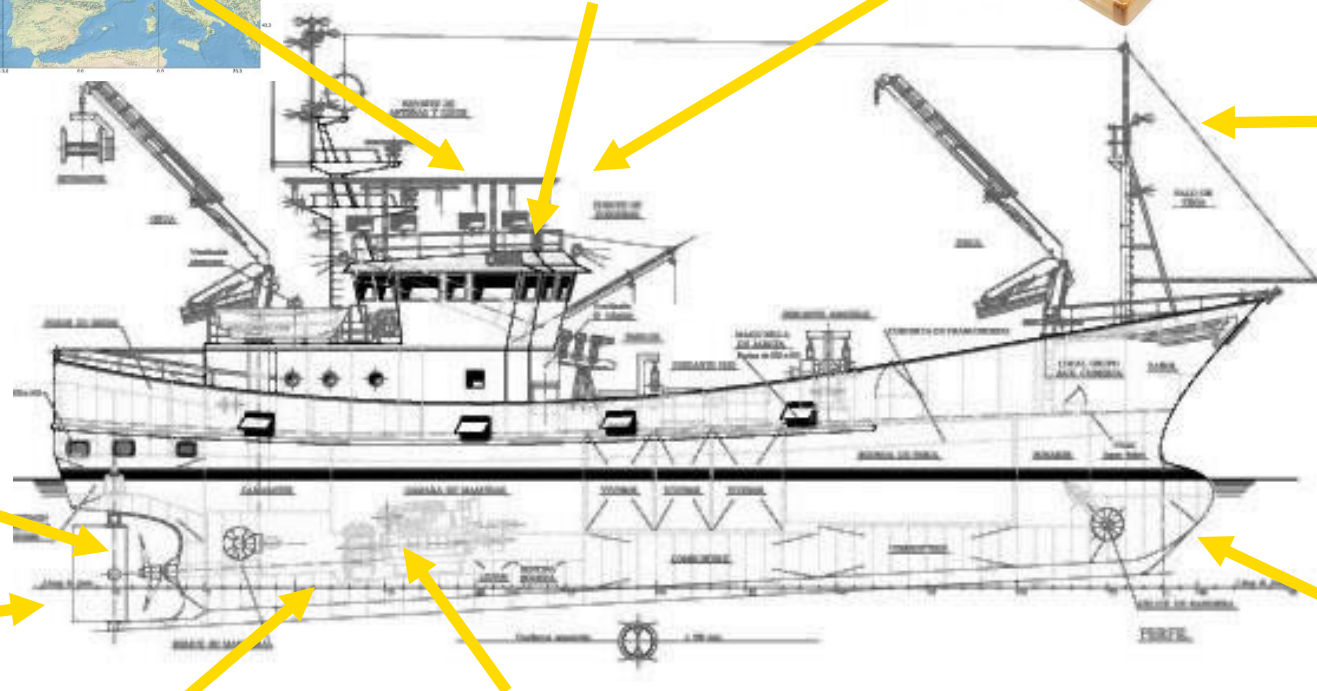
MARINEVIEW – EFFICIENT FISHING



SAIL PROPULSION TESTS



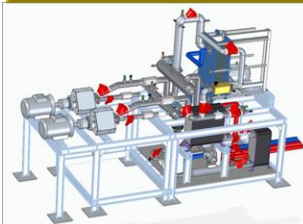
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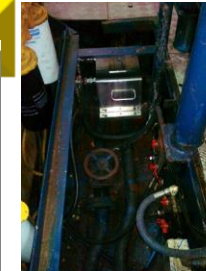
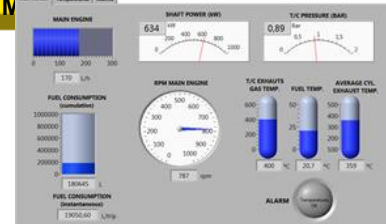
DRAG REDUCTION FROM FISHING GEAR



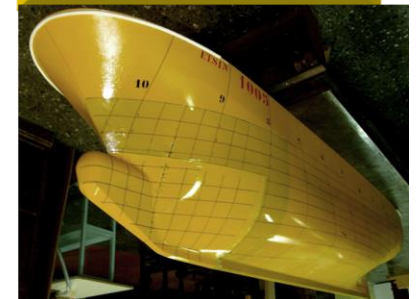
WASTE ENERGY RECOVERY



PROPULSION PLANT

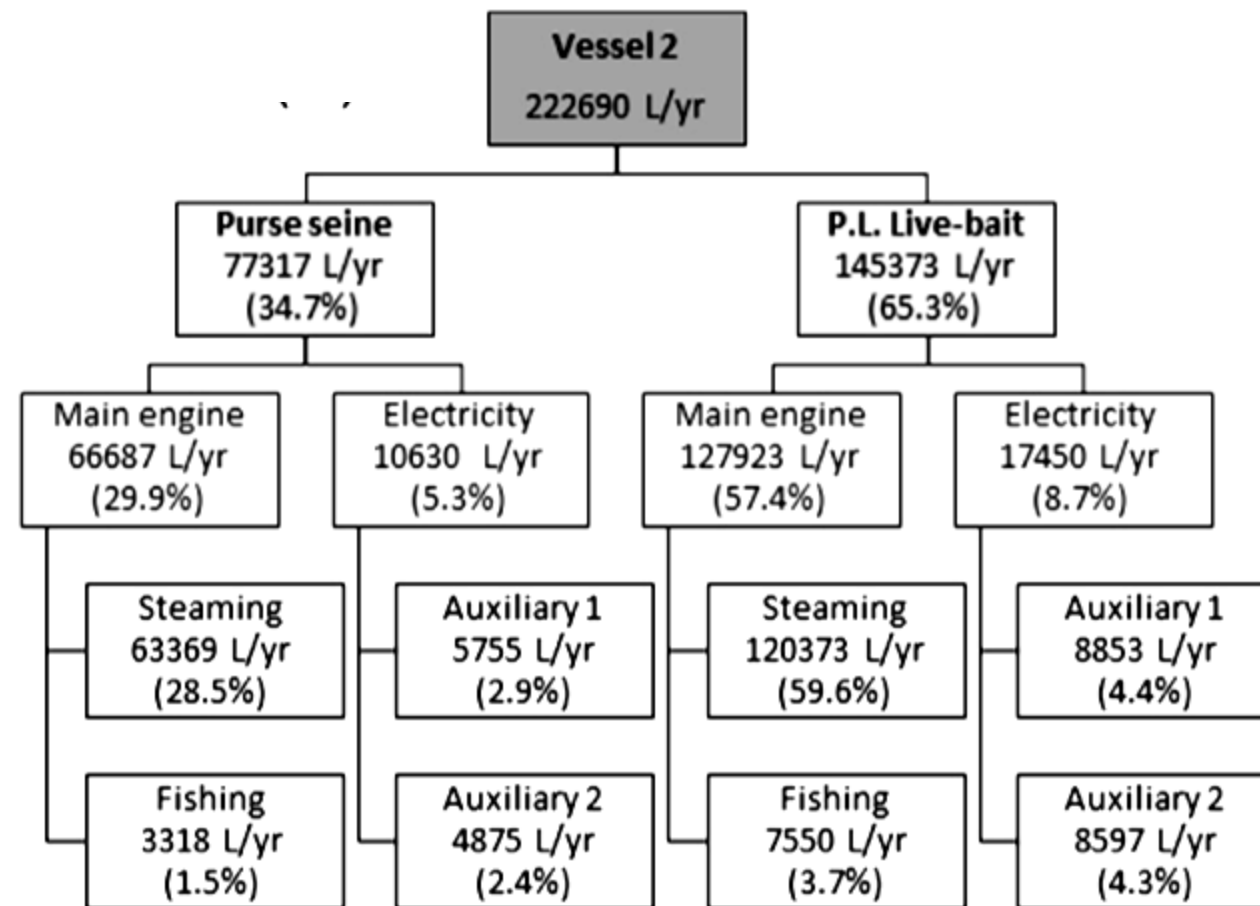


STRUCTURAL – DRAG FORCE REDUCTION



FIRST STEP: monitoring is key for decarbonisation

- ✓ **KNOWLEDGE** on fuel consumption and operational patterns
- ✓ Use of adecuated **EQUIPMENT** and development of **ENERGY AUDITS**
- ✓ Evaluation of different fuel saving **STRATEGIES**: research and pilot projects, test on board, test benches,...



APPLIED PROJECTS

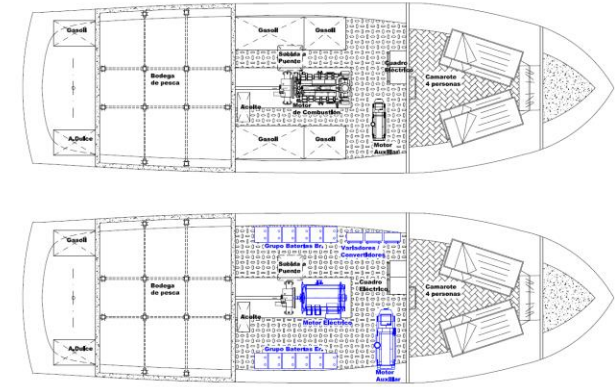
Key examples



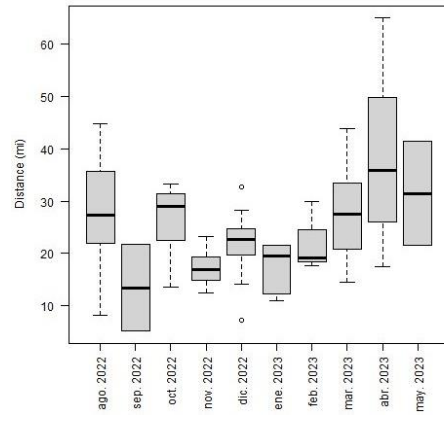
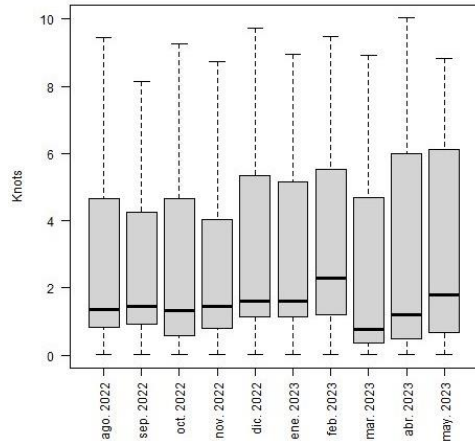
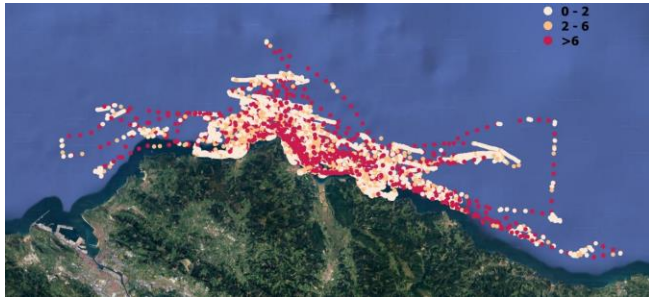
Basque small scale fleet – green transition

Operational activity and energy demand assessment for fuel saving strategies:

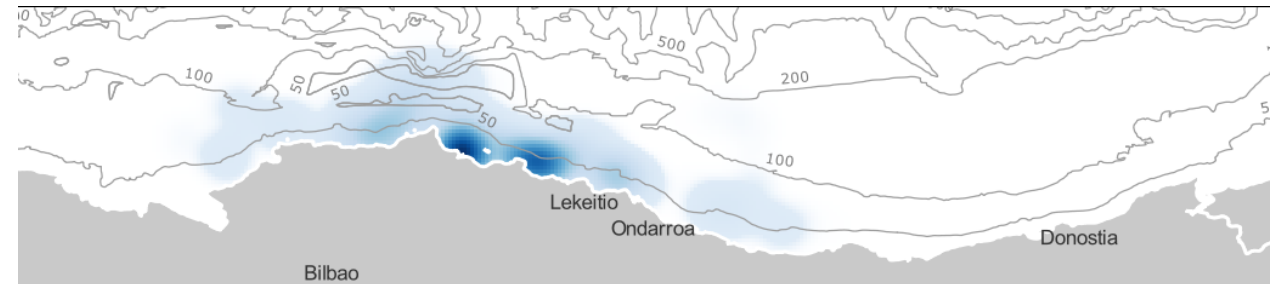
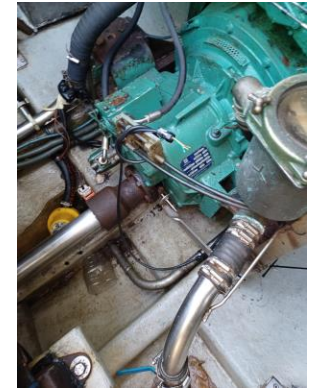
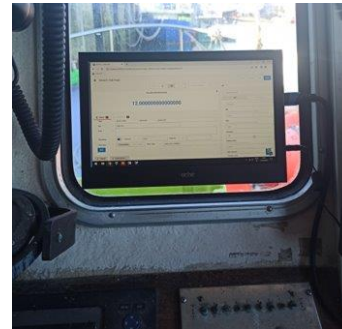
“Feasibility of new power plant: **Hybrid-Electric?**”



Fishing activity monitoring: GPS



Fuel monitoring: SIMUL (fuel calc system)



APPLIED PROJECTS

Key examples

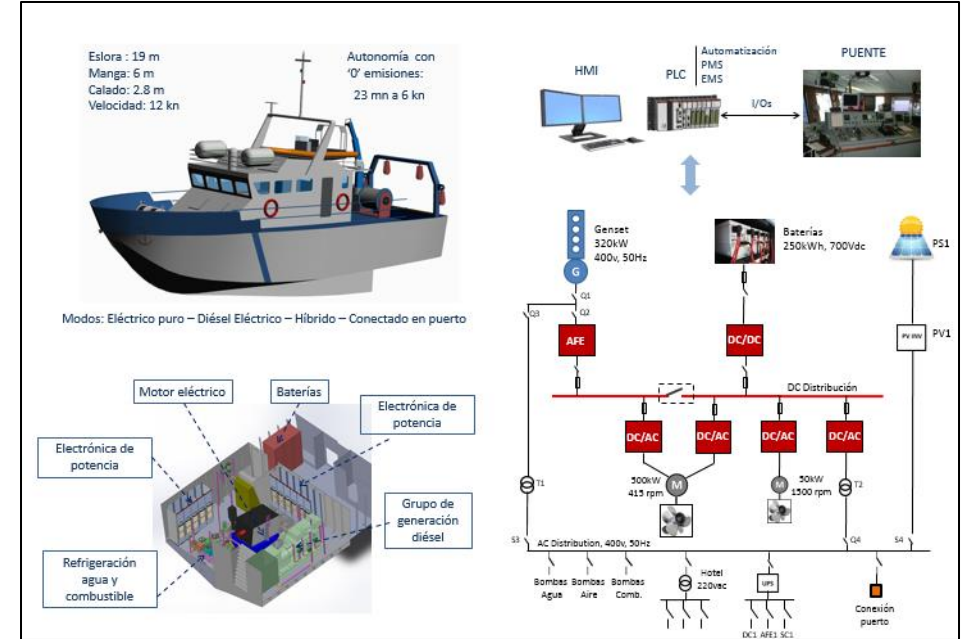
		Fuel consumption (L/trip)			Duration time (h/trip)			Vessel speed (kn)			Distance (nm/trip)		
		Trip	Steaming	Fishing	Trip	Steaming	Fishing	Trip	Steaming	Fishing	Trip	Steaming	Fishing
Gillnet	Average	37.31	26.50	10.81	7.18	1.42	5.76	3.22	7.34	2.11	21.43	10.58	10.85
	SD	22.53	20.82	5.34	3.34	0.96	2.92	1.12	0.68	0.75	9.93	7.45	5.01
	Min	4.28	0.00	1.77	1.00	0.00	0.67	1.25	2.15	0.75	3.49	0.00	1.85
	Max	116.36	111.08	43.36	18.77	5.09	15.07	6.71	8.66	4.22	54.13	39.06	29.25
Trammel net	Average	25.90	15.39	10.51	6.95	1.28	5.67	3.08	6.72	2.28	20.16	8.61	11.55
	SD	11.47	9.57	2.87	2.80	0.74	2.23	0.82	0.13	0.78	6.95	5.08	2.68
	Min	14.40	5.39	7.41	2.50	0.42	1.75	2.19	6.50	1.29	12.04	2.88	6.93
	Max	54.06	40.46	15.90	13.58	3.13	10.45	4.82	6.91	3.98	34.96	21.53	15.83
Vertical lines	Average	46.87	36.58	10.29	9.45	2.52	6.92	2.92	6.73	1.54	27.49	17.25	10.24
	SD	34.38	32.08	5.55	4.01	1.72	3.09	0.86	1.00	0.60	15.47	12.75	5.38
	Min	4.09	2.64	0.79	1.58	0.33	0.53	1.35	4.44	0.57	3.93	2.17	0.90
	Max	190.70	174.94	27.39	21.55	11.52	11.57	6.09	8.15	3.60	99.40	82.27	24.94
Long-line / Conger	Average	20.66	12.69	7.97	7.22	0.92	6.29	2.54	7.21	1.80	14.10	6.46	7.64
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Long-line / Hake	Average	40.13	27.00	13.13	11.26	2.82	8.44	2.60	6.31	1.21	27.63	17.59	10.03
	SD	10.33	10.47	7.83	2.47	0.61	2.56	0.80	0.70	0.54	5.52	3.27	6.05
	Min	20.51	0.54	0.69	3.27	1.91	0.44	1.57	4.82	0.37	16.08	13.04	0.78
	Max	49.03	42.10	26.96	12.92	3.94	10.26	4.91	6.90	1.83	32.00	23.80	18.26
Trolling	Average	130.09	114.67	15.42	13.00	9.65	3.35	6.00	6.71	3.77	77.98	64.83	13.15
	SD	25.17	32.16	11.39	1.57	2.47	2.39	0.47	0.08	0.51	11.72	17.08	10.22
	Min	107.66	87.26	4.55	11.17	7.60	0.92	5.43	6.60	3.09	67.12	50.55	3.61
	Max	172.90	168.35	31.18	14.75	13.83	6.83	6.59	6.78	4.36	97.25	93.64	27.79

APPLIED PROJECTS

Key examples

ELECTRIFICATION

Retrofit: from diesel propulsion to hybrid/electric propulsion (near zero emission vessel)

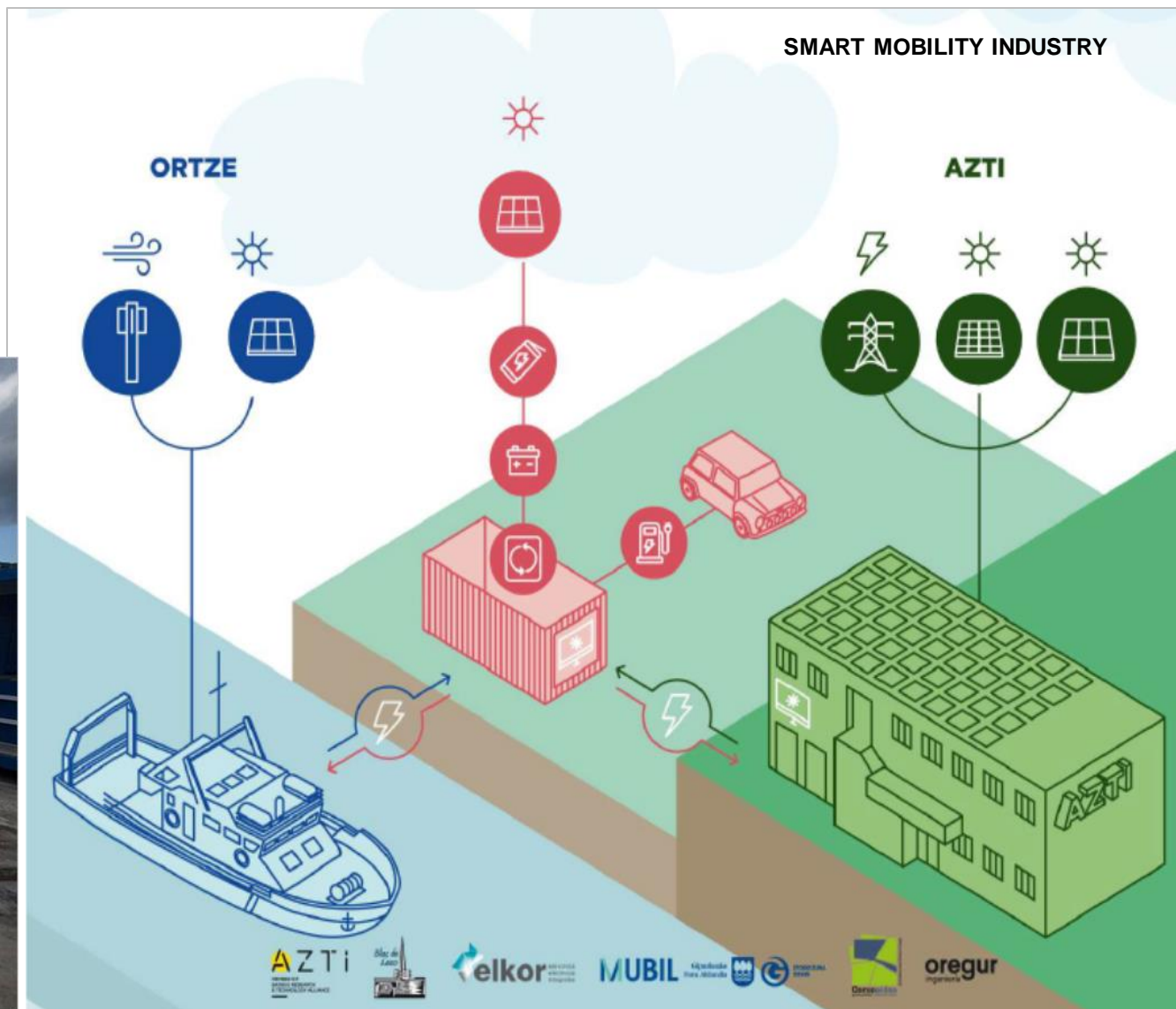


APPLIED PROJECTS

Key examples

KAINDAR Project


Smart grids in ports with renewable energy for charging



RESULTS & FEEDBACK FROM FISHERS COMMUNITY

Fuel consumption monitoring devices (operational activity)

- ✓ **10-25% of fuel saving** mainly in long trips and coastal fisheries where the skipper are the shipowner are the same person.
- ✓ **5-7% of fuel saving** in artisanal fishing vessels (short trips).
- ✓ The sector is **quite receptive** to these initiatives due to short periods of return on investment.
- ✓ These fuel monitoring devices have been used also to evaluate different actions onboard in order to **quantify the saving** and also compare with other fletes in terms of **fuel efficiency**:




Fuel

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FUI

—




Catch


$$FUI = \frac{\text{Fuel Consumption (L)}}{\text{Catch (tn)}}$$




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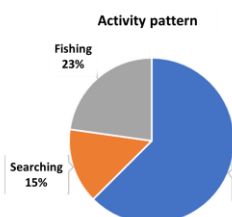













Activity pattern


















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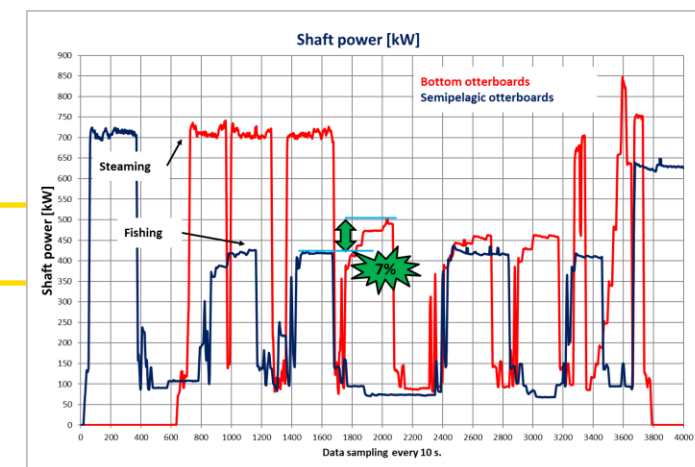
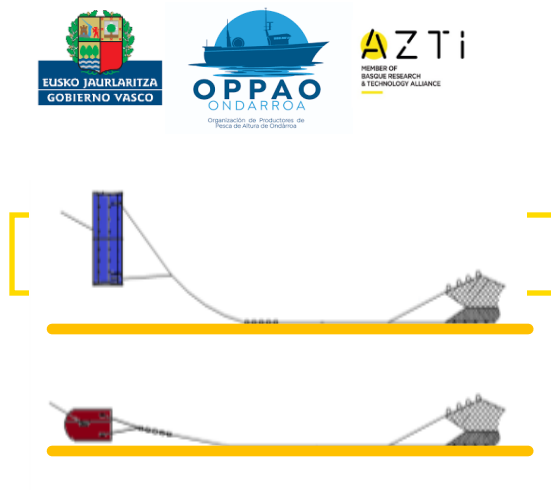
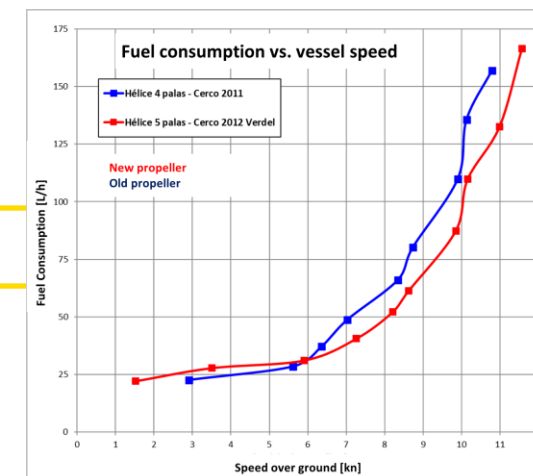
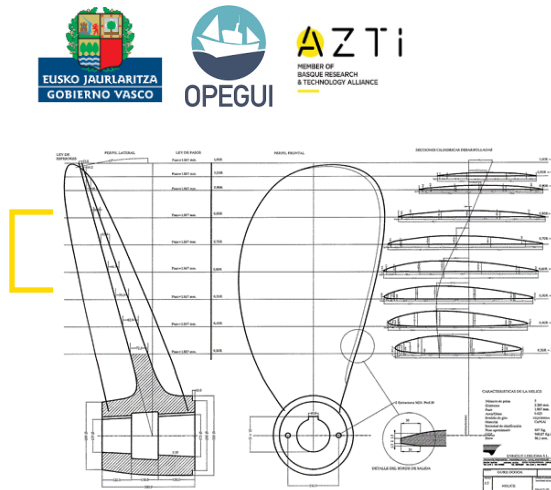
Installation of different sensors on board to monitor the vessel



RESULTS & FEEDBACK FROM FISHERS COMMUNITY

Structural retrofits

- ✓ 5-10% of energy saving tested
- ✓ The sector is not very receptive because it involves operational and structural changes. **“What works is best left untouched”**
- ✓ The fuel monitoring devices have been used also to evaluate different actions onboard in order to quantify the saving



THE PROCESS, FINANCIAL SUPPORTING & THE IMPORTANCE OF STAKEHOLDERS

The ideas come from **different backgrounds**: auxiliary companies, the fishing sector, public administration and AZTI.

At AZTI, we have a **network of contacts with all the stakeholders** in the sector and we try to identify the key agents to participate in different studies or developments.

There are various public aids with different focuses:

- **Research** or applied research, where we work mainly with the sector or with other research institutes.
- **Product development**, where we work mainly with companies in the sector or even with research institutes.
- **Innovation of the sector**, for a first phase we work with the sector (producer organizations, ship owners,...).

Grants for project development:

- **Local**: EMFAF, industrial developments, subcontracting companies, etc.
- **National**: national programmes in collaboration with other regions, producer organizations, etc.
- **International/Europe**: Tenders, Horizon 2020/Europe, Ocean Mission,...



CONCLUSIONS

KEY RECOMMEDATIONS

Decarbonisation of fishing fleets will help the sector to have **a more profitable activity** and less energy-dependency.

Monitoring of energy consumption and operational profiles of vessels is key:

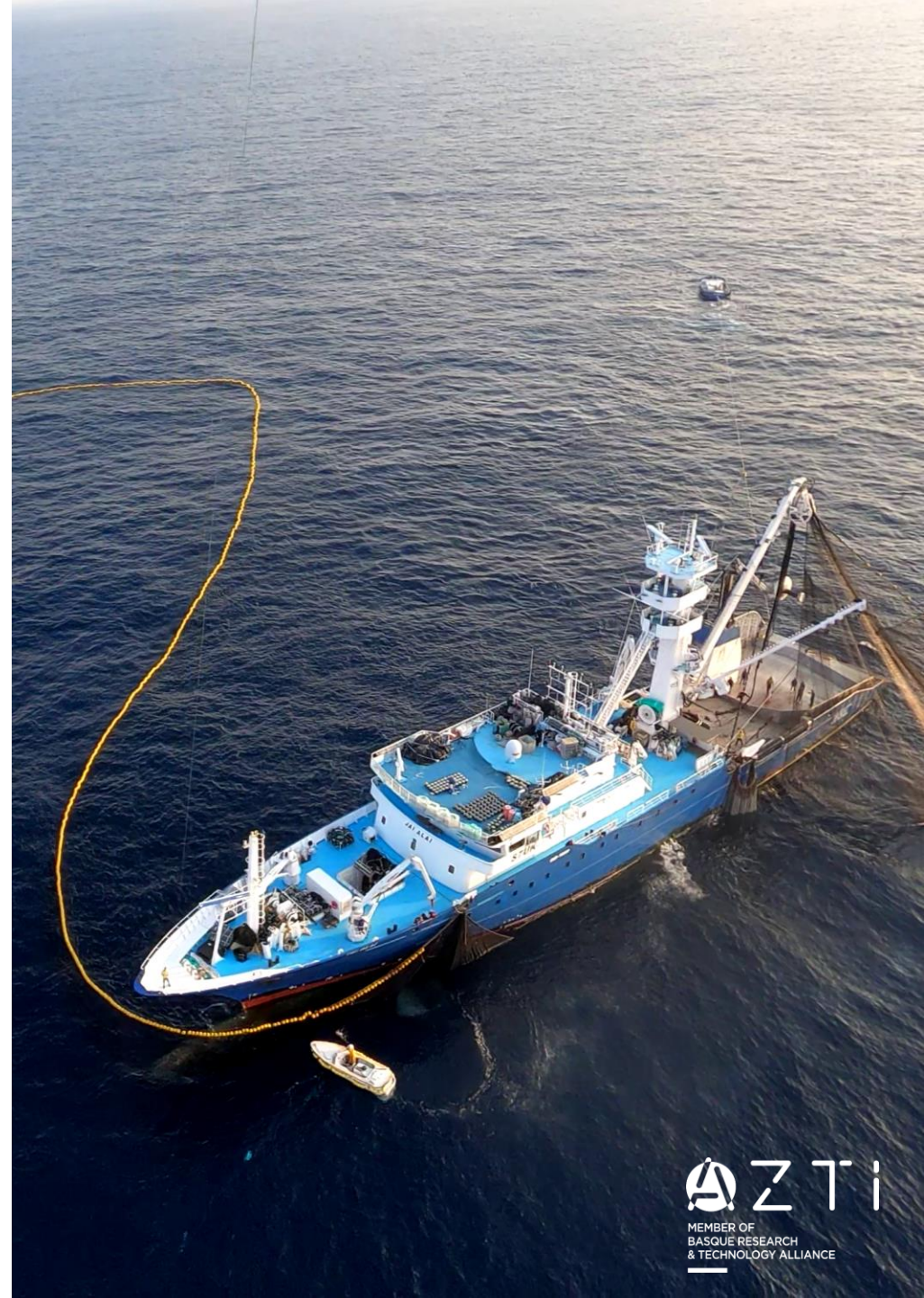
- One-fits-all solutions do not exist → promote mixture of solutions
- Energy activity and activity pattern are key
- Energy monitoring devices are needed
- Reporting to the Commission can be improved: European Data Collection Framework include energy consumption of fisheries reported by energy devices.

Fishers need to be **incentivized or motivated** to adopt solutions

- Skippers and shipowners have different objectives
- **Better communication** is needed amongst stakeholders

Energy transition requires funding and **funds should be simpler, flexible** and inclusive

Barriers: the term “fishing capacity”, we believe that adding more GT or KW does not necessarily increase the vessel’s ability to fish...and it is critical to adopt some of the energy efficient solutions, such as, alternative fuels, which needs more space (fuel tanks), so new vessel designs are needed.



THANK YOU! ESKERRIK ASKO



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Coffee break



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Breakout sessions question #2

What word or phrase best describes for you the main technological and innovation challenge and/or research gap and/or solution and/or action needed?

[Multiple answers are possible!]

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Review Breakout sessions housekeeping rules



Search your group! Participants with the same colour of your badge



Each group will have max 15 participants



There will be a facilitator from the organization team to each group



Each group appoints 1 rapporteur. The rapporteur's role is to make sure it takes all the comments of the group and at the end of the day presents the 3 main conclusions from the group (in 2 minutes)



Group discussion: 10h50 – 12h15



Resume in plenary: 12h15 – 13h00



Breakout session I: Problem definition and Challenges and research gaps – Guiding questions

1. How do you judge the **availability of technology/innovation** for the energy transition in your sector? For **fisheries**, how do you assess the **different technologies according to the type of fleet and the type of vessel**? In **aquaculture**, for which activities do you see a need for **more technology/innovation**?
2. In which innovation area do you find is **the lowest amount of relevant technology and innovation** available taking place (e.g. alternative fuels, gears, engines, hull design, infrastructure)?
3. From your experience, what are the **main challenges** (e.g. availability, economical risk, uncertainty, infrastructure needed like ports, etc) you encounter in accessing and using new technology opportunities, according to your sector/industry (e.g. fisheries, aquaculture, shipping, gear manufacturer, ports,)?

Breakout session II: Technological and innovation solutions & possible actions – Guiding questions

1. Regarding the current state of the transition in your sector, where do you believe is the **most potential for innovation and research** for accelerating the energy transition in the sector (e.g. alternative fuels, gears, engines, hull design, infrastructure)? What are the **most feasible technologies to be implemented** in your sector? Please take into account your business type (fisheries or aquaculture), the type of vessels used, etc.
2. What are the **most important actions to be taken in the short term** by the different group of actors in the energy transition, to overcome the current challenges in the availability and accessibility of innovation and technology? And what are the **actions on the medium to long term**?
3. How can the sector **use synergies from other sectors on innovation and technology** and how can this help advance the energy transition in the EU fisheries and aquaculture sector?

Breakout sessions wrap up: Presentations of Conclusions and recommendations

- ✓ Let's recap Breakout session I and Breakout session II !
- ✓ By Group Rapporteurs (in the room and online)
- ✓ Can you tell us, in 2 minutes, what are the 3 main ideas that have emerged within your group discussions?



Workshop appreciation question #3



What word or phrase best describes the main takeaway from this workshop?

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Closing

- Online evaluation survey where you can provide also your feedback to the questions (within the next 2 weeks)
- Study on technologies publish
- Call for the ETP support group: stay tuned!
- Update of the compendium (online)
- Next ETP workshop:
 - Skills: 19 April 2024



**Thank you very much
for your active participation !**

Useful links

Energy Transition

https://blue-economy-observatory.ec.europa.eu/energy-transition-partnership_en

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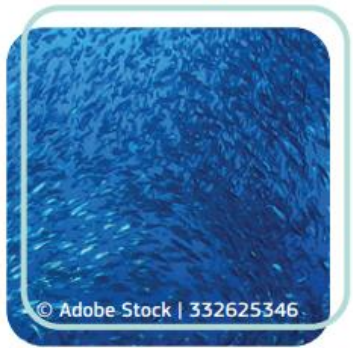
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Thank you
Enjoy your lunch

- **BACKGROUND SLIDES**

Main objectives



Continue rebuilding fish stocks to sustainable levels → long-term fish availability and prosperity for fishers and communities.



Reduce environmental and climate impacts of fisheries and aquaculture activities → protecting 30% of the EU's seas, with 10% being strictly protected by 2030 as defined by the EU Biodiversity Strategy.



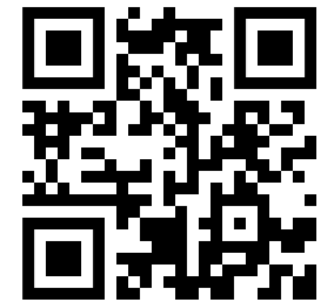
Increase the sector's energy efficiency to become more resilient, less dependent on fossil fuels and climate-neutral by 2050.



Make the fishing profession more attractive.

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Why this Communication on Energy Transition in the EU Fisheries and Aquaculture sector?

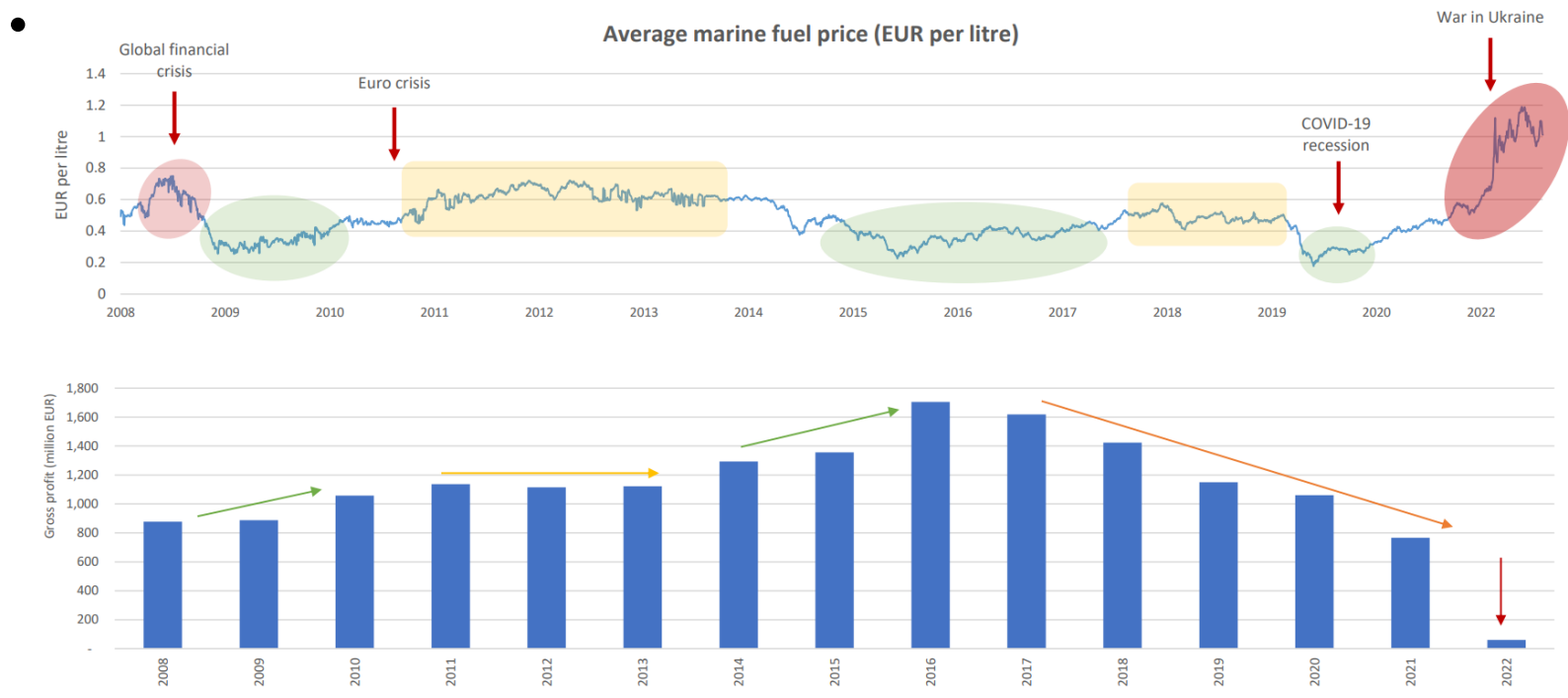


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Energy transition in EU fisheries and aquaculture

Why an action plan?

- *Energy prices
- *Economic viability of the sector



Why this Communication on Energy Transition in the EU Fisheries and Aquaculture sector?

-  The recent **increased energy prices** from fossil fuels are a threat to the profitability and viability of the sector
-  Need to **break away** from the **fossil fuel dependency**
-  February 2023, **Communication on the energy transition in the fisheries and aquaculture sector** (https://oceans-and-fisheries.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-02/COM-2023-100_en.pdf), as part of the “Fisheries and Ocean Package”.
-  **Dual objective of the Communication :**
 - (i) Increase the future **resilience of the sector**
 - (ii) Reducing carbon footprint of fisheries and aquaculture products

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ETP: Governance and Stakeholders

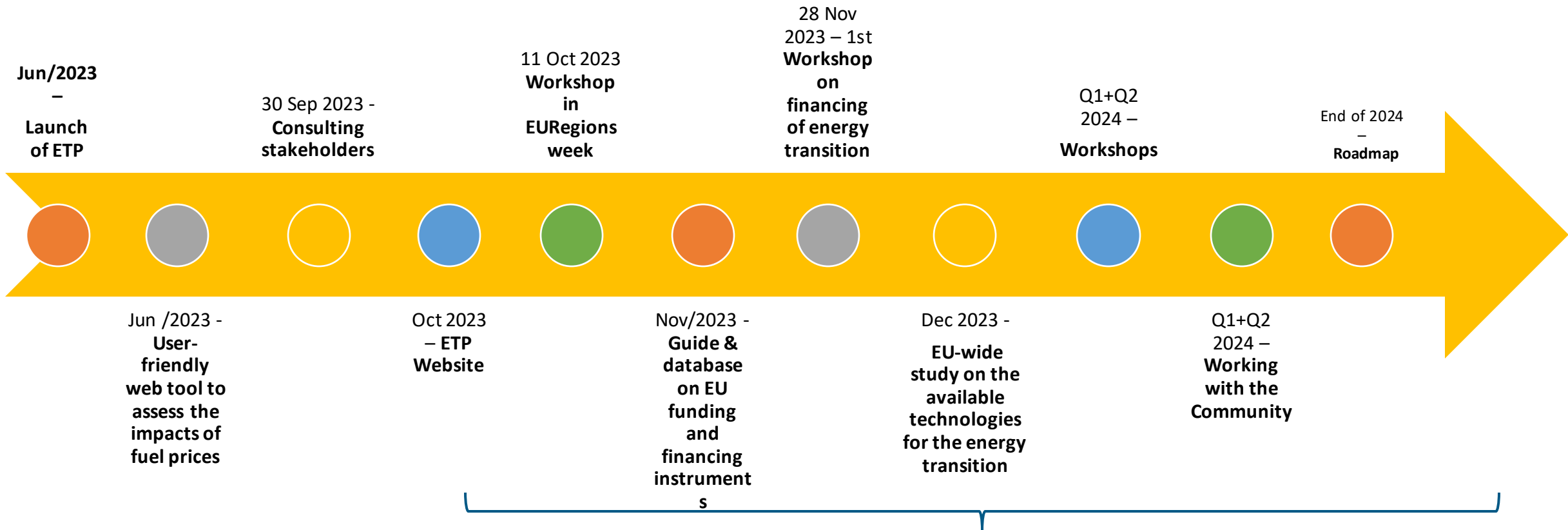


- Voluntary network of stakeholders
- Collaboration and knowledge sharing
- Align intentions with other partners
- Develop activities to deliver on the objectives of the Partnership
- Work on Common strategies and milestones
- Contribute to the Roadmap



- Workshops
- Voluntary Team work & ETP support group
- Stakeholder groups

Timeline and Next steps



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- Exploring options with EIB/EIF;
- Living labs;
- Interregional cooperation;
- Promote grants;
- Blue Invest
- Virtual academy