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2024 Wrap Up: A Year of Growth and Collaboration

The European Blue Forum Annual Report highlights a transformative year of growth, collaboration, and action towards a sustainable Blue Economy. Launched in May 2023 as a platform for dialogue among diverse maritime stakeholders, the Forum now proudly represents members across several sectors and all EU sea basins. Through inclusive engagement and milestone achievements—such as the development of two thematic Position Papers and the successful Annual Meeting in Svendborg - the European Blue Forum has fostered collective discussions seeking solutions to key challenges, from accelerating technological innovation to enhancing ocean conservation.



As we look to 2025, the European Blue Forum stands ready to play a pivotal role in shaping policies and actions, including hosting the European Commission's **First Fisheries and Ocean Dialogue** in support of the upcoming **Ocean Pact**.

The European Blue Forum in a nutshell:

- **643 Members** representing **17 sectors and all EU sea basins**.
- An inclusive and diverse mix of **civil society, academia, private sector, and governmental authorities**.

The Milestones:

1. **Stakeholder Engagement:** *Two thematic Position Papers* emerged from members' discussions, highlighting challenges, solutions, and varying perspectives.
2. **Annual Meeting in Svendborg:** Under the theme *"From Position to Practice"*, the forum translated ideas into actionable pathways for technology transfer, ocean conservation, and sustainable growth.
3. **A Growing Voice:** The European Blue Forum was invited to host the European Commission's first **Fisheries and Ocean Dialogue**, contributing directly to the **Ocean Pact**.

Looking Ahead to 2025

As we enter the new year, the focus is on turning collaborative visions into **real-world impacts**. Our members' ideas and dedication will drive:

- ✓ Innovative solutions for **marine conservation**.
- ✓ Balanced approaches to **land-sea interactions**.
- ✓ Strengthened community participation and **technological innovation**.

Save the Date!

Join us on **March 5, 2025**, during the **European Ocean Days** and be part of the Fisheries and Ocean Dialogue. Your voice matters in shaping ocean policies.

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