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Latest news

New report on recommendations for ecosystem-based multi-use

The North Sea Alliance partners: Deutsche Umwelthilfe, The North Sea Foundation, Seas At Risk, WWF Belgium, WWF Denmark, WWF EU, and WWF Germany, have published a joint position paper on ecosystem-based multi-use at sea. The paper sets out recommendations to ensure that multi-use activities, particularly within offshore wind farms, reduce cumulative pressures on marine ecosystems, respect ecological limits and support nature recovery. It calls for nature to be placed at the centre of multi-use policies and marine spatial planning, with robust environmental safeguards, monitoring and the precautionary principle guiding decisions on where and how multi-use activities can take place.



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Launch of the BLUE4ALL Solutions Hub, open access tool supporting effective Marine Protected Areas

The MPA Solutions Hub, developed through the BLUE4ALL Horizon Europe project, is a solution-oriented online platform designed to support Marine Protected Area (MPA) managers, authorities, and practitioners in building more effective, efficient, and resilient MPAs and MPA networks.

The Hub brings together co-created methods, tools, and guidance covering ecological, environmental, and socio-governance aspects of MPA management, making practical knowledge easily accessible and actionable. Built on open-access principles and aligned with FAIR data standards, the platform also offers advanced search and filtering functionalities, helping users identify and apply solutions tailored to their needs.



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Funding and calls

Open call for tenders: European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet) Global Data Service

The European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA) has launched a new contract to safeguard and further develop the European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet). Building on EMODnet's existing methodologies and processes, the contract aims to strengthen the long-term resilience of global ocean data flows and resources while ensuring continued free and open access to marine data and metadata for users worldwide. The deadline for submissions is **2 October 2026 (17:00 CEST)**.



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Call for Expressions of Interest: Atlantic Ocean Regional Portfolio

The Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership has launched a Call for Expressions of Interest to establish an Atlantic Ocean Regional Portfolio of Projects focused on “Addressing Atlantic Ocean Coastal Resilience in Practice.” This initiative aims to bring together ongoing projects tackling similar challenges across the Atlantic region, fostering collaboration, knowledge exchange, visibility, and impact at sea-basin level. This Portfolio will run from 2027 to 2029 and will receive endorsement from the UN Ocean Decade. Projects funded through national, regional, or European programmes are encouraged to apply. The call is open until **28 October 2026 (15:00 CET)**.



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Upcoming events

RGI and OCEaN Webinar: Shared Seas, Shared Decisions — Stakeholder Engagement in Offshore Wind and Grid Planning

On 29 September, from 11:00 to 12:15 CEST, join RGI and members of the Offshore Coalition for Energy and Nature (OCEaN) for the launch of the report “Shared Seas, Shared Decisions”. The webinar will present key findings and recommendations on stakeholder engagement in offshore wind and grid planning across the North and Baltic Seas, alongside practical examples from organisations featured in the report. The discussion will explore how effective engagement can support a nature-friendly offshore energy transition, with contributions from RGI, DG MARE, RTE, Ørsted, and the 4Sea Coalition.



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Join the Atlantic Summit Galway 2026

As one of the flagship ocean events and an Associated Event of the Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union 2026, the Atlantic Summit Galway 2026 will bring together leading voices from across the Atlantic community for high-level discussions on ocean research and innovation (R&I), policy and skills development. Be part of the conversation shaping the EU's ocean future.



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MSP4MORE Workshop: Examining the potential for combining offshore wind farms and nature-inclusive designs

The MSP4MORE (MSP tools for integrating multiple sustainability objectives in offshore renewable energy) project is organising a workshop for researchers, managers, industry representatives and stakeholders to discuss examples, opportunities and challenges related to combining offshore wind farms with nature-inclusive designs. It will take place at the Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences in Brussels on 29 October 2026, from 09:30 to 16:00 CET, with the option to attend either in person (subject to limited capacity) or online. **Registration is open until 25 October 2026.**



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Save the date: 4th International Conference on Maritime/Marine Spatial Planning

From **1 to 3 June 2027** at UNESCO's Building (Paris, France), Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) authorities, international organisations, experts, and stakeholders from around the world will come together to share knowledge and explore the future of MSP. Mark your calendar for this big event organised by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO and the European Commission. More information will come soon.



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