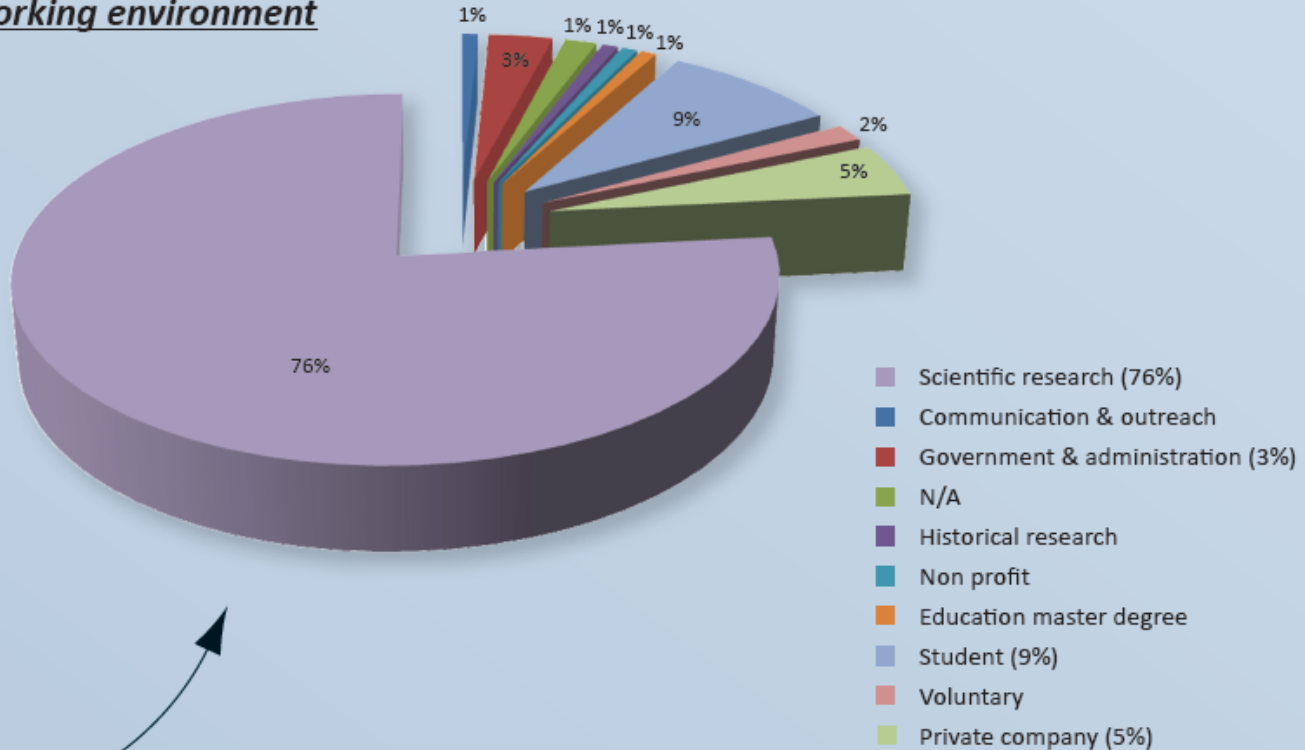


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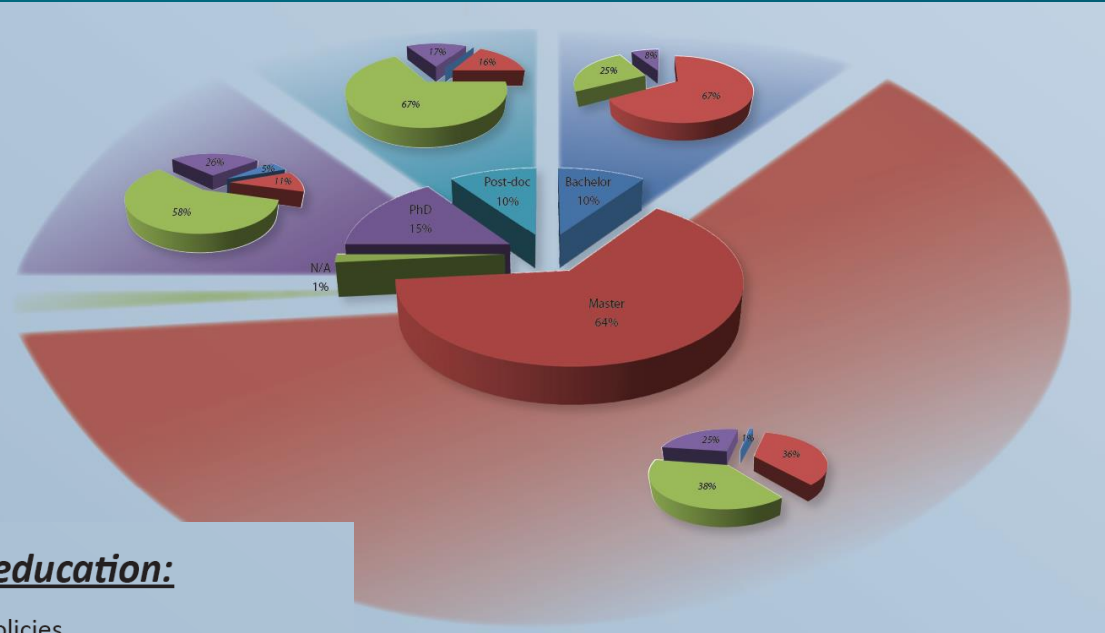
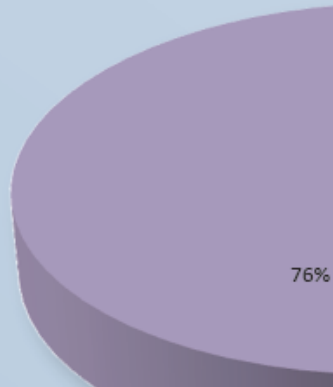
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## Working environment



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## Pie charts by level of education:

- NOT AWARE of content EU policies
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- Education master degree
- Student (9%)
- Voluntary
- Private company (5%)

# VLIZ Young Marine Scientists' Day 2014

**Student:** Looking for reliable information on broad range of marine/maritime fields for your thesis?

**PhD student:** Need an overview of the marine research in Belgium?  
Who does complementary research? Cooperation?

**Post-doc:** How can my research reach decision-taking level?

**Young professional:** Need quick access to updated & validated info services from multiple disciplines and sectors?



# Compendium for Coast and Sea

*An integrated knowledge document about the Coast and Sea  
in Flanders and Belgium*



# Integrating disperse information

## Ecological information

(characteristics of coast and sea, impact on the environment, etc.)

## Socio-economic figures

(use of the coast and sea, employment & turnover of marine sectors, etc.)



## Institutional & legal information

(competent authorities, governance of coast and sea, policy instruments, etc.)

## Overview Belgian Marine Research

# Factsheet Compendium for Coast and Sea

## **Aim:**

- Aggregate information & data Belgian marine research
- Increase visibility and accessibility of marine research

## **Focus:**

Belgian part of North Sea, adjacent coastal zone & estuaries in international context

## **Target group:**

Marine experts (policy, science, industry & innovation)



# Factsheet Compendium for Coast and Sea





# Compendium for Coast and Sea

Three building blocks:

1. Belgian marine research



2. Use of coast and sea



3. Marine science policy - interface



+ *derived products & publications*

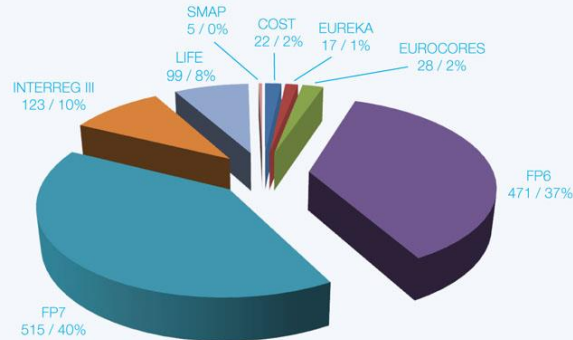
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- Policy context for research & innovation
- Overview of funding instruments for research
- *International, European & national level*

SHARE AND NUMBER OF MARINE-RELATED PROJECTS BY FUNDING INSTRUMENT



## RESEARCH FUNDING AND FUNDING SOURCES

### International-European

#### Funding by Universities

- *Bijzonder Onderzoeksfonds (BOF)*, for the funding of fundamental scientific research
- Industrial Research Fund (IOF) for linking strategic fundamental research, technological innovation and industrial co-operation

- European Framework Programmes FPs and Horizon2020
- Programmes of the Directorates-General of the European Commission: EMFF, ERDF, EUREKA, etc.
- Flanders-UNESCO Science Trust Fund (FUST)
- International Foundation for Science (IFS)

#### Flanders

- Research Foundation Flanders (FWO)
- Agency for Innovation by Science and Technology (IWT)
- The Hercules Foundation for funding research infrastructure
- The [Policy Research Centres](#) - Flanders
- Institutional resources of the Flemish scientific institutes
- Department of Economy, Science and Innovation (EW)
- The *RV Simon Stevin* (VLOOT)

#### Federal

- Belgian Science Policy (BELSPO)
- Research programmes (SSD, BRAIN-be, STEREO, Interuniversity Attraction Poles (IAP))
- The *RV Belgica* (BELSPO)
- Other funding by the federal government

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## Marine Research in Flanders/Belgium

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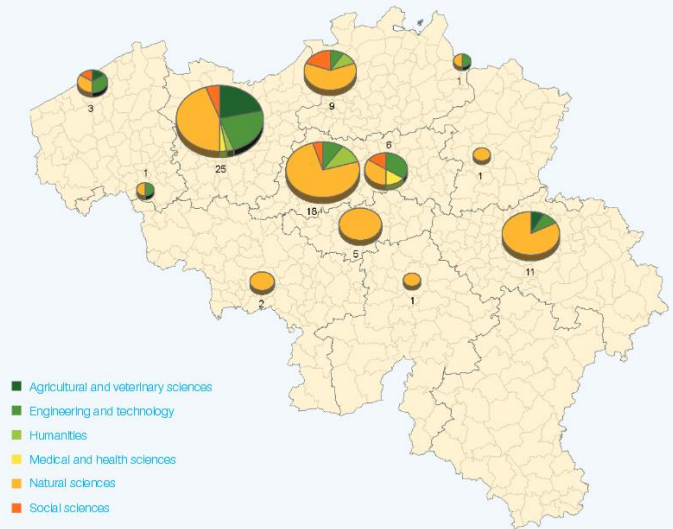


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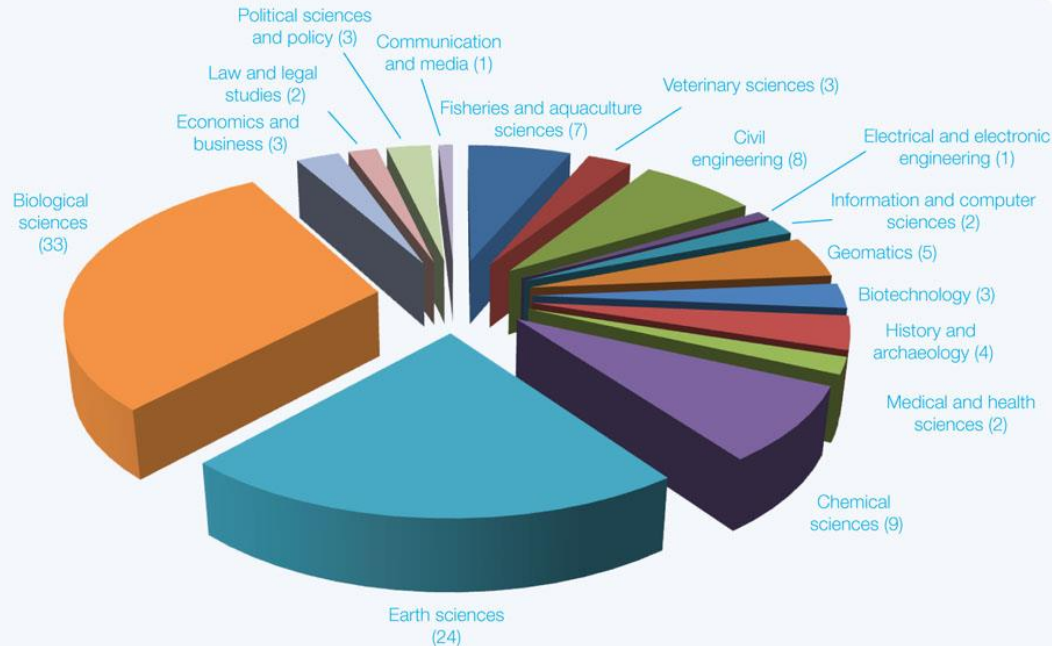


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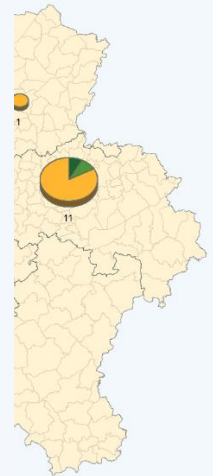
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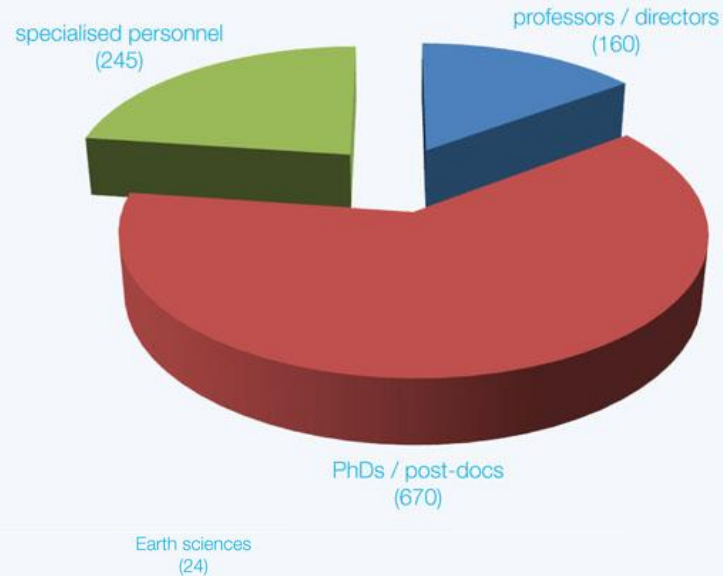


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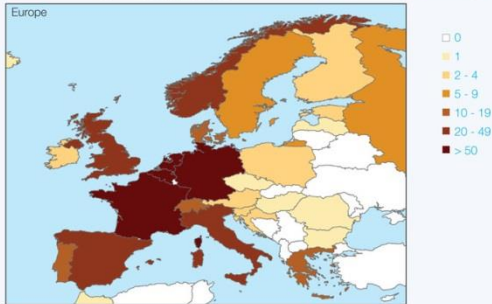
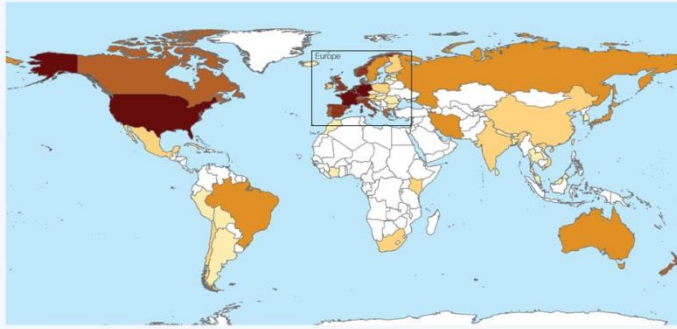
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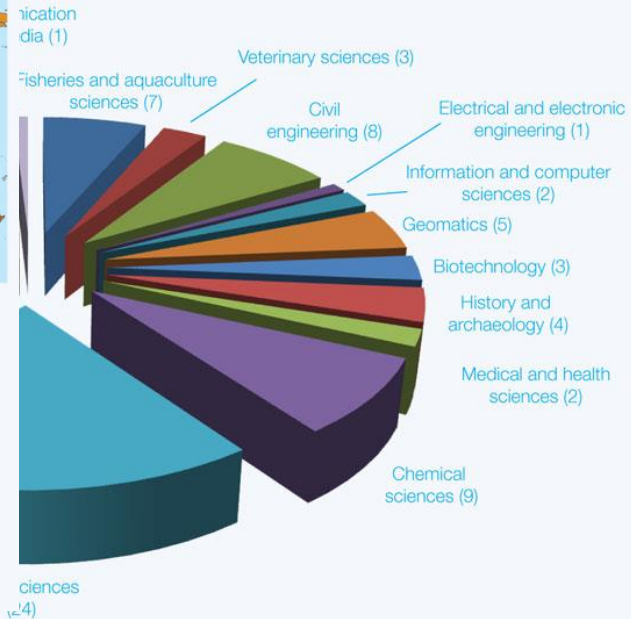
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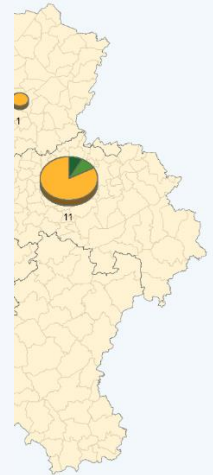
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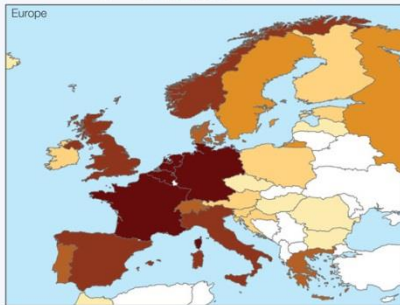
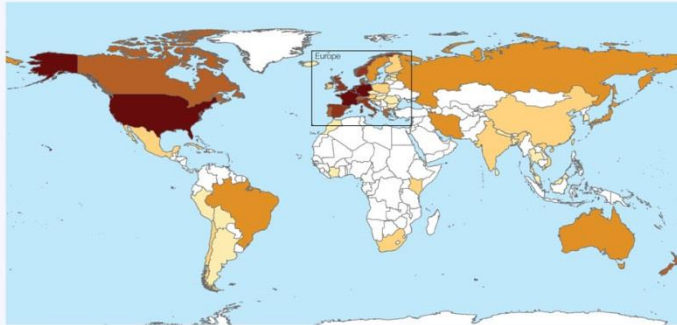
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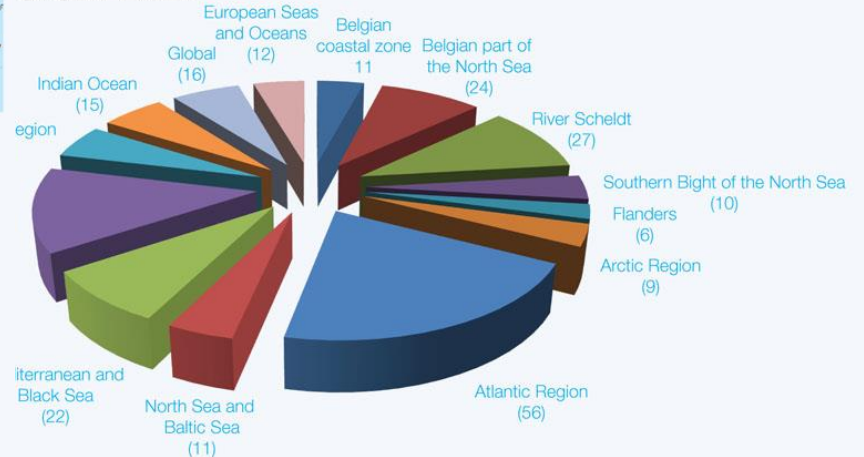
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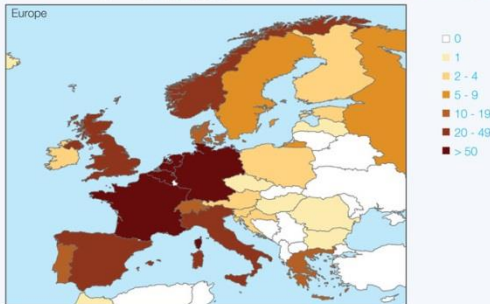
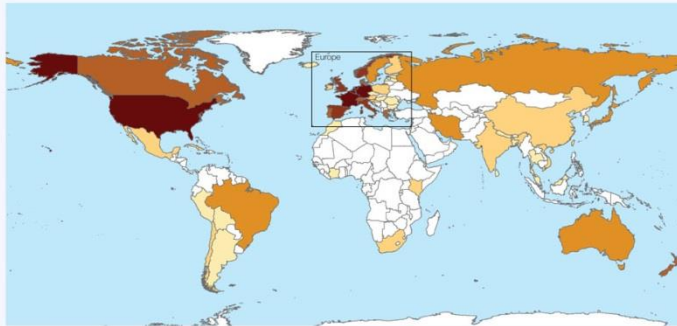
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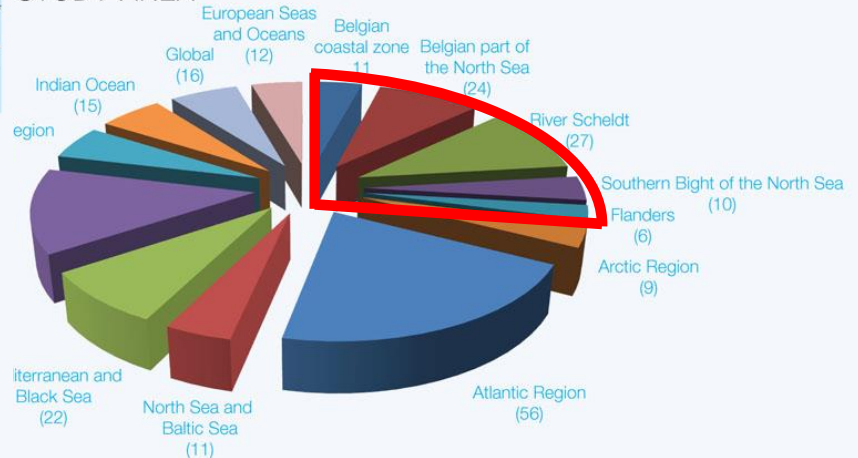
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Brochure: Belgian Marine Research – An overview

- Looking for certain expertise?
- Possibilities for cooperation?
- A suitable research group to start a PhD?



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### / Research group Analytical and Environmental Chemistry (VUB)

no. 42

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#### // institutional hierarchy

Faculty of Science and Bio-engineering Sciences  
Department of Chemistry

#### // head of the group

Prof. dr. Willy Baeyens

#### // research domain and discipline

Natural sciences; Chemical sciences



#### // abstract

The research group Analytical and Environmental Chemistry (ANCH) of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel was founded in 1990, and originated from the research group Analytical Chemistry which in turn was founded in 1958. The group is involved in several topics regarding environmental research. The group focuses in particular on the development of analytical methods needed for the study of aquatic systems such as oceans, coastal ecosystems, estuaries, rivers and lakes, but also for the impact of the environment on human health or food quality.

In the marine field, the developments in analytical chemistry are closely connected to the study of biogeochemical processes, both of nutrients and pollutants. Within the field of analytical chemistry, the group focuses on the sampling of labile, bioavailable dissolved fractions of both nutrients and toxic trace elements; the determination of trace metals using HR-ICP-MS (high resolution inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry); the determination of stable isotopes of carbon and nitrogen using IRMS (stable isotope mass spectrometry); high resolution 2-D visualization of spore marks in sediments using laser technology coupled to ICP-MS; the determination of TEQ ratios in particulate using a scintillation counter; and the measurement of persistent organic hydrocarbons (a dioxins and PCBs) using genetically modified soil lines (CALUX). The research related to marine ecosystems focuses on the quantification of the productivity and export production in open coasts; the biogeochemical cycles of carbon, nitrogen and phosphorus (inorganic and organic) in coastal ecosystems; metal fluxes and microbial diversity in contaminated marine sediments; and the accumulation of pollutants in marine organisms.

Future research will focus among others on the development of methods to define export production fluxes, on the 2D visualization of spore elements found in sediments and the development of 3D process models for the description of their behavior. The research group Analytical Chemistry participates in several national and international research projects and collaborates with renowned Belgian and foreign research institutes.

Some key events during the existence of this group are the publication of the first 2D isotope and pollutant dispersion models of the Scheldt (1993), the development of a new analytical method to detect methylmercury in marine fish (1995) and a publication in the renowned journal Science describing the export production of carbon in the Southern Ocean, based on vertical Barium profiles (1997).



## 2. Use of the Coast and Sea



# 2. Use of the Coast and Sea

One-stop-shop for reliable, scientifically underpinned, published information

Themes Chapter 2	
Nature and environment	Maritime and coastal heritage
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Dredging and dumping	Tourism and recreation
Sand and gravel extraction	Safety against flooding
Energy (incl. cables and pipelines)	Military use
Fisheries	Scheldt Estuary
Aquaculture	Integrated Coastal Zone Management
Agriculture	Marine Spatial Planning

## 2. Use of the Coast and Sea

79 coauthors & reviewers from science, policy & civil society

Relevant facts, figures, scientific and legal information

Disclosed following template:

- Introduction & international benchmarking
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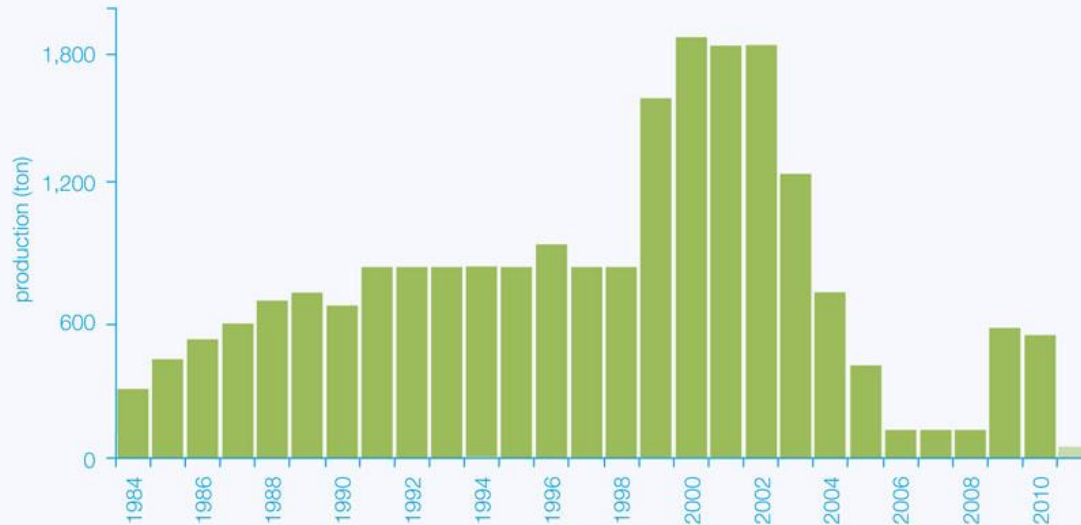
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Other physical impact, such as noise and collisions with marine mammals	Maes et al. 2004 <sup>70005</sup> (MARE-DASM project BELSPO) <sup>70006</sup> , OSPAR QSR 2010 <sup>196817</sup> , André et al. 2010 <sup>200913</sup> , compilation national reports ASCOBANS
Impact on other users (safety, spatial impact, etc.)	Maes et al. 2004 <sup>70005</sup> (MARE-DASM project BELSPO), Schrijvers & Maes 2005 <sup>76296</sup> (GAUFRE project BELSPO), Le Roy et al. 2006 <sup>101096</sup> (RAMA project BELSPO), Volckaert et al. 2006 <sup>103036</sup> (MIMAC project BELSPO)



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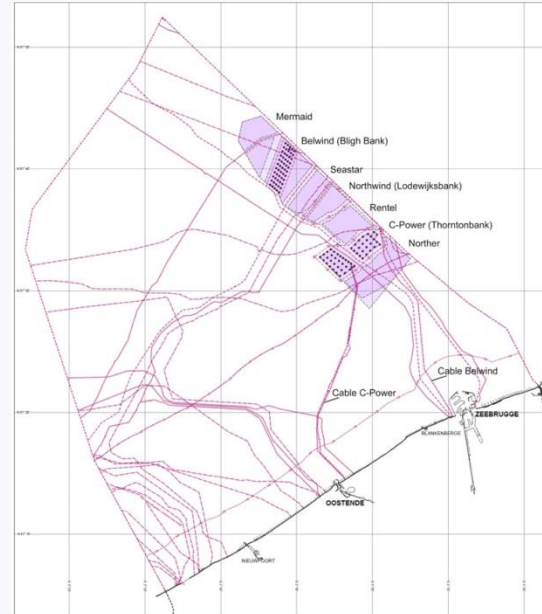
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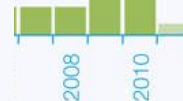
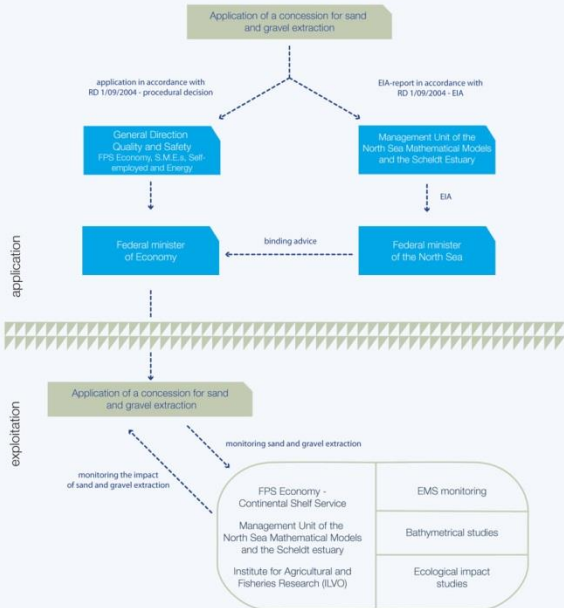
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Need information about the effect of sand extraction on ecosystem?



## Sand and gravel extraction



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## 4.4 Impact

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT	LITERATURE
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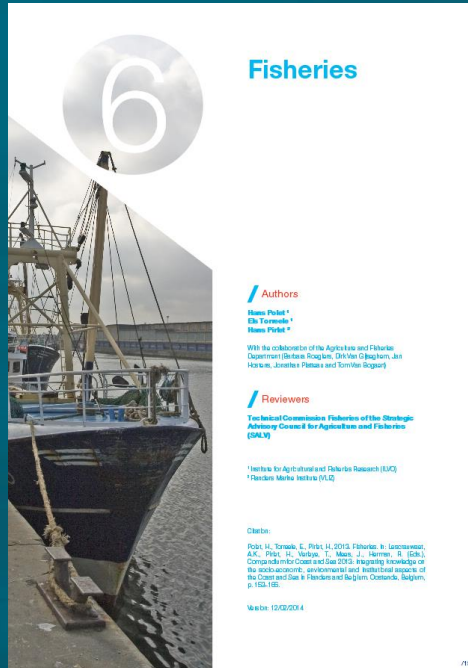
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## 6.3 Societal interest

### 6.3.1 Employment

Employment in the fisheries sector has declined due to the crisis that has affected the fisheries sector (see Sustainable use). In 2012, the fisheries sector in Belgium consisted of 439 authorised sea fishermen. In addition, approximately 1,740 people worked in the fish-processing industry and 5,000 people in related sectors (*Visserijrapport (VIRA) (2012)*). The promotion of the attractiveness of the sector, especially towards the younger end of the workforce, remains one of the most important challenges. Efforts are made to improve the inflow of young persons into the sector, for example by means of the *Fund for young shippers (SALV advice 23 March 2012* and *advice of 20 March 2013*).

### 6.3.2 Belgian fishing fleet

In the *Ministerial Decree of 16 December 2005*, the fishing fleet is divided into 3 segments:

- Large Fleet Segment: All fishing vessels with an engine power capacity between 221 kW and 1,200 kW;
- Small Fleet Segment: All fishing vessels with an engine power capacity of 221 kW or less, except for the coastal fleet segment;
- A Coastal Fleet Segment: All fishing vessels with an engine power capacity of 221 kW or less and a tonnage of maximum 70 GT, which take part in sea trips of maximum 48 hours with the start and end situated in a Belgian port. The affiliation to the coastal fleet segment takes place on a voluntary basis.



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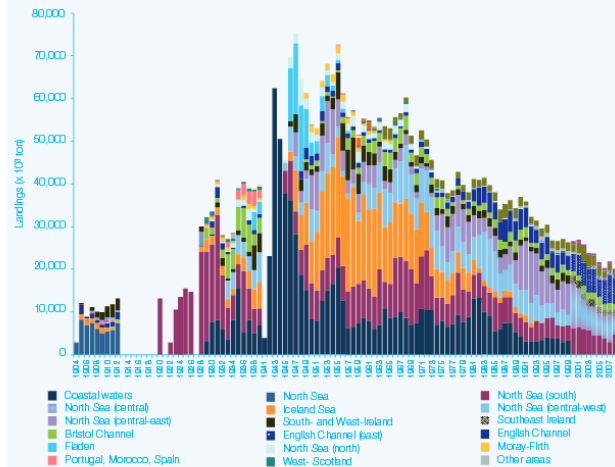


Figure 3. Evolution of the landings (tons) of fish by the Belgian fishing vessels in Belgian and foreign ports between 1904 and 2008, sorted by fishing ground (*A century of sea fisheries in Belgium*, VLIZ).

The value of landings or turnover is the yield of landed fish and fish products sold by public auction (calculated on the total of both traded and non-traded products). The total value of landings of fish by Belgian fisheries vessels increased almost constantly after the Second World War from approximately 80 million euros (indexed value with respect to the reference year 2007) to peaks of approximately 130 million euros at the end of the eighties and in the early nineties (website '*A century of sea fisheries in Belgium*', VLIZ). This was followed by a decrease to 68,367 million euros in 2009, followed by an increase to 76,351 million euros in 2012. Sole remains the most important fish species for Belgian fisheries with 39% of the value of landings in 2012 (Tessens & Velghe 2013). The value of landings of each species between 1929 and 1999 is kept at the website '*A century of sea fisheries in Belgium*' (VLIZ). The recent value of landings for each species can be found in Tessens & Velghe (2013).

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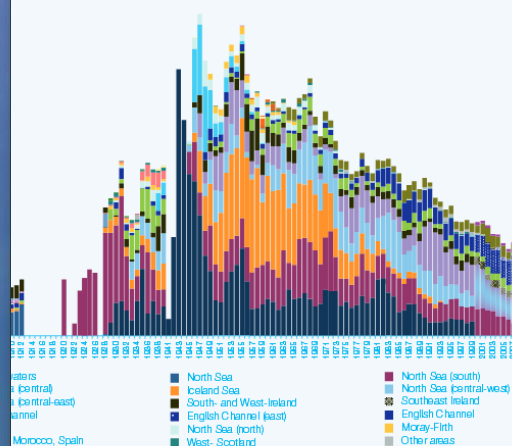
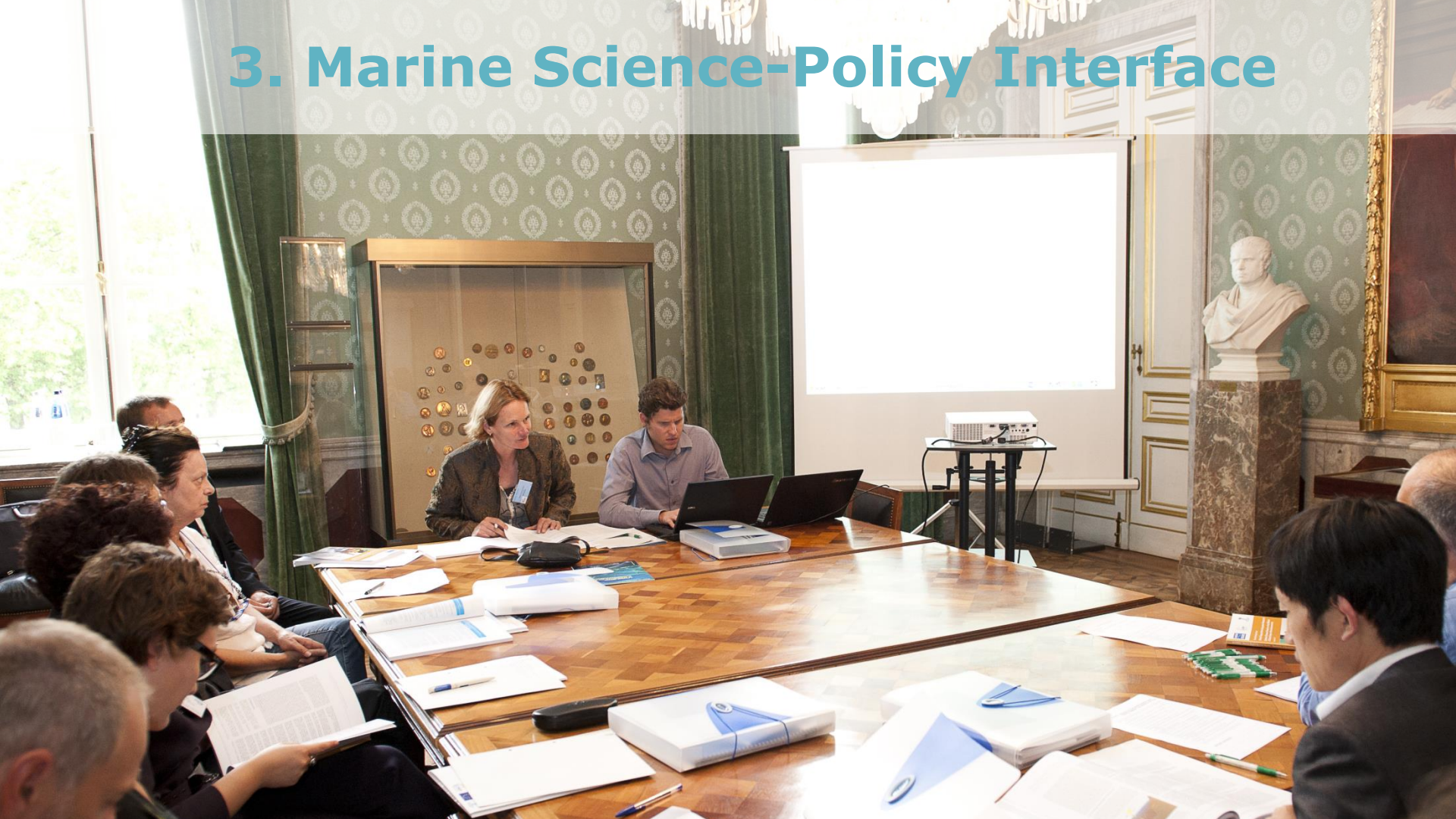


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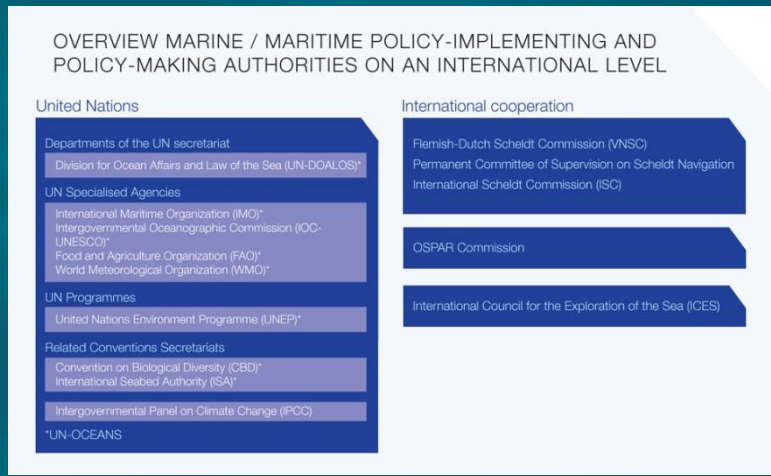


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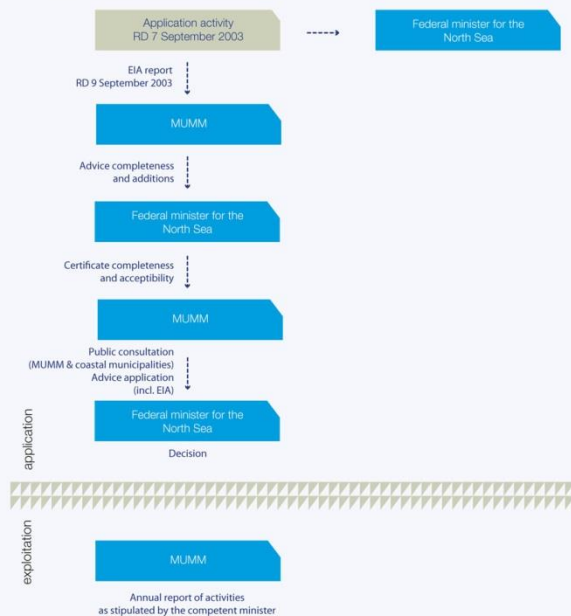
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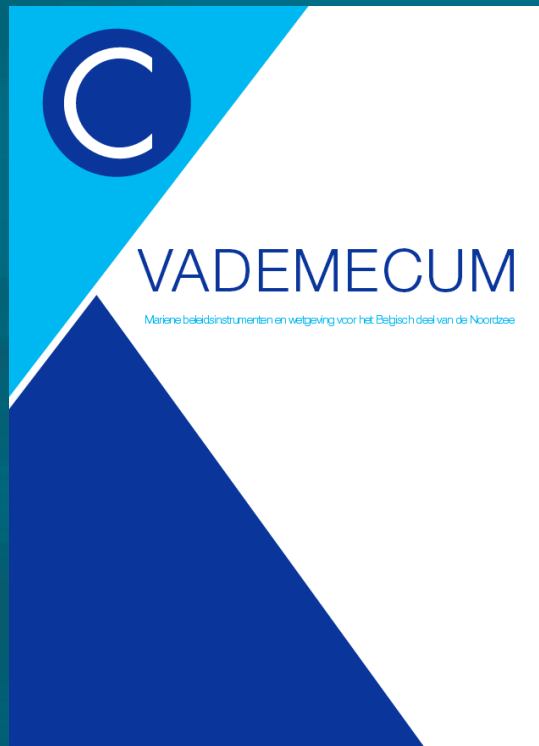


LEVEL	AUTHORITY	EXPLANATION
International	International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)	<p>ICES is an intergovernmental organisation consisting of an international network of marine scientists who aim for a sustainable use of the oceans. ICES wants to increase the scientific knowledge with regard to the marine environment and its living resources and to use this knowledge to advise the competent authorities.</p> <p>The decision and policy-making body of ICES is the Council, with two delegates from each of the 20 Member States. The work of the Council is carried out by the Advisory Committee, the Science Committee and the Data and Information Group.</p> <p>ICES plays a significant role in the policy concerning fisheries (see Chapter 2, theme Fisheries).</p>
	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) - UNESCO	The IOC is the UN body for ocean science, ocean observation, ocean data and information exchange, and services such as Tsunami warning systems. IOC promotes international cooperation and coordinates programmes in research, services and capacity building concerning oceans and coastal areas. This knowledge is applied to the management, sustainable development and protection of the marine environment and to the decision making processes of the States.
European	Joint Research Centre (JRC)	<p>The JRC is the research centre of the European Commission (EC). The centre takes care of the scientific and technological support of the European policy.</p> <p>Specifically for the coast and sea, JRC focuses on research concerning renewable marine energy, climate changes, floods, fisheries, marine ecosystems, etc.</p>
	European Environment Agency (EEA)	<p>The European Environment Agency (EEA) is an agency of the European Union with the task to provide sound, objective information about the environment. Their work is a major information source for everyone involved in developing, adopting, implementing and evaluating environmental policy, as well as for the general public.</p> <p>Specifically for coast and sea, EEA produces coastal and marine indicators, maps and information, and compiles these policy-relevant figures in the publication <i>The changing faces of Europe's coastal areas (2006)</i><sup>109281</sup>. Furthermore, EEA coordinates Eionet, the European Environment Information and Observation Network that collects data about the environment (including the marine environment) in Europe and aims to develop a better environmental policy.</p>



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## Vademecum – Marine policy and legal instruments for the Belgian part of the North Sea (currently only in Dutch)



MMM-Wet

Officiële verwijzing	Wet van 20 januari 1990 ter bescherming van het mariene milieu en ter organisatie van de mariene ruimtelijke planning in de zeegebieden onder de soevereiniteit van België
Relevante data	Document: 20/01/1990 Publicatie: 12/05/1990 Inwerkingtreding: 22/05/1990
Blikdoelniveau	Federaal
Type instrument	Wet
Uitbreidbaar bereik op BNZ	Territoriale zee, exclusieve economische zone, continentaal plat
Betroegde instansie in België	Federale overheid: FOD Milieuzakelijkheid, Veiligheid van de Voedselketen en Landbouw, De Landbouw, Dier en Marijn Milieu

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Deze wet heeft als doel het mariene milieu te beschermen en te herstellen in geval van schade aan milieusctering. Om aan deze doelstelling te voldoen, voorziet de wet in een aantal instrumenten:

- Het instellen van beschermde mariene gebieden, ter zelfde maatregelen ter bescherming ervan (bv. een verbod op bepaalde activiteiten of het sluiten van een gebruiksovereenkomst);
- De bescherming van bepaalde mariene soorten in de zee. Hierbij komt overans het verbod op de introductie van niet-inheemse soorten of de jacht op zeeogdieren of vogels aan bod.
- Een verbod op bepaalde activiteiten zoals het verbranden op zee, drafactielingen of het storten in zeegebieden (mits een aantal uitzonderingen zoals het storten van baggersediment);
- Maatregelen om aanmerking van schade door schepen te voorkomen en te herstellen;
- Er wordt gestuurd welke activiteiten aan een mchtiging of vergoeding zijn onderworpen. Deze activiteiten (alsook een aantal activiteiten die vallen onder andere wetten) zijn onderworpen aan een milieufactorenbeoordeling op basis van een milieufactorenrapport of een toezichtingsregime met een permanente milieufactorenbeoordeling;
- Er worden een aantal noodmaatregelen ingezet in geval van ernstige gevaar voor de mensing, het dier of versiering van het mariene milieu;
- In geval van schade aan het milieu staat de vervuiler in voor het herstel.

Deze wet regelt overans de organisatie en de procedure (planning) proces, openbaar onderzoek, strategisch milieufactorenrapport en wetgevingsoverheid, van de mariene ruimtelijke planning (Wet van 22 juli 2012).

Tenslotte komt de wetgeving met betrekking tot het toezicht en de controle alsook de strafbestellingen aan bod.

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Natuur en milieu			
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	Conventie van Bern	Verdrag inzake het behoud van wilde dieren en planten en hun natuurlijke leefmilieu in Europa	p.22
	Biodiversiteitsverdrag	Verdrag inzake biologische diversiteit	p.23
INT	Verdrag van Bonn	Verdrag inzake de bescherming van trekkende wilde diersoorten	p.24
	OSPAR	Verdrag inzake de bescherming van het mariene milieu in het noordoostelijk deel van de Atlantische Oceaan	p.40
	Ramsar	Overeenkomst inzake watergebieden van Internationale betekenis, in het bijzonder als verblijfplaats voor watervogels	p.41
	Walvisvaartverdrag	Internationaal verdrag tot regeling van de walvisvangst, en tot het Reglement	p.56
	Habitatrichtlijn	Richtlijn 92/43/EEG inzake de Instandhouding van de natuurlijke habitats en de wilde flora en fauna	p.68
	Kaderrichtlijn Water	Richtlijn 2000/60/EG van het Europees Parlement en de Raad van 23 oktober 2000 tot vaststelling van een kader voor communautaire maatregelen betreffende het waterbeleid	p.71
	Zwemwaterrichtlijn	Richtlijn 2006/7/EG van het Europees Parlement en de Raad van 15 februari 2006 betreffende het beheer van de zwemwaterkwaliteit en tot intrekking van Richtlijn 76/160/EEG	p.76
EU	<b>Kaderrichtlijn Mariene Strategie</b>	Richtlijn 2008/56/EG tot vaststelling van een kader voor communautaire maatregelen betreffende het beleid ten aanzien van het mariene milieu (Kaderrichtlijn mariene strategie)	p.81
	Dochterrichtlijn Prioritaire Stoffen	Richtlijn 2008/105/EG van het Europees Parlement en de Raad van 16 december 2008 inzake milieu-kwaliteitsnormen op het gebied van het waterbeleid tot wijziging en vervolgens intrekking van de Richtlijnen 82/176/EEG, 83/513/EEG, 84/156/EEG, 84/491/EEG en 86/280/EEG van de Raad, en tot wijziging van Richtlijn 2000/60/EG	p.82
	Vogelrichtlijn	Richtlijn 2009/147/EG van het Europees Parlement en de Raad van 30 november 2009 inzake het behoud van de vogelstand	p.85
	Wet natuurbehoud	Wet van 12 juli 1973 op het natuurbehoud	p.101
FED	MMM-wet	Wet van 20 januari 1999 ter bescherming van het mariene milieu en ter organisatie van de mariene ruimtelijke planning in de zeegebieden onder de rechtsbevoegdheid van België	p.106
	Duinendecreet	Decreet van 14 juli 1993 houdende maatregelen tot bescherming van kustduinen	p.114
VL	Decreet Integraal Waterbeleid	Decreet van 18 juli 2003 betreffende het integraal waterbeleid	p.118

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## Kaderrichtlijn mariene strategie

<b>Officiële verwijzing</b>	Richtlijn 2008/56/EG tot vaststelling van een kader voor communautaire maatregelen betreffende het beleid ten aanzien van het mariene milieu (Kaderrichtlijn mariene strategie)	
<b>Relevante data</b>	Document	17/06/2008
	Publicatie	25/06/2008
	Inwerkingtreding	15/07/2008
	Omzetting door België	23/06/2010
	Uiterste datum voor omzetting	15/07/2010
<b>Beleidsniveau</b>	Europees	
<b>Type instrument</b>	Richtlijn	
<b>Geografisch bereik</b>	EU-lidstaten	
<b>(Juridisch) bereik op BNZ</b>	Territoriale zee, exclusieve economische zone	
<b>Europees aanspreekpunt</b>	Directoraat-generaal Milieu (DG ENV)	
<b>Bevoegde instantie in België</b>	Federale overheid; FOD Volksgezondheid, Veiligheid van de Voedselketen en Leefmilieu; DG Leefmilieu; Dienst Marien Milieu	
<b>Implementatie op federaal niveau</b>	Koninklijk besluit van 23 juni 2010 betreffende de mariene strategie voor de Belgische Zeegebieden	

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De Europese Kaderrichtlijn Mariene Strategie (KRMS; 2008/56/EG) is de milieupijler van het *Geïntegreerd Maritiem Beleid* (COM (2007) 575; p.64) van de Europese Unie. De KRMS beoogt het behalen van de goede milieutoestand (GMT) van de Europese mariene wateren tegen 2020 en de bescherming van de hulpbronnen waarvan economische en sociale activiteiten afhankelijk zijn. Hiertoe dienen de lidstaten mariene strategieën uit te werken, rekening houdend met de eigen socio-economische en regelgevende situatie, waarbij regionale samenwerking moet resulteren in een samenhang van de in het kader van deze richtlijn noodzakelijke maatregelen. Deze strategieën dienen het proces van milieu-integratie in andere beleidsdomeinen te bevorderen. Op deze manier wordt de ecosysteemgerichte benadering op het beheer van menselijke activiteiten (volgens het voorzorgsprincipe) in een wetgevend kader verankerd, waarbij de concepten 'milieubescherming' en 'duurzaamheid' centraal staan.

De GMT wordt in artikel 9 van deze richtlijn omschreven op basis van 11 descriptoren. De lidstaten dienen voor elk van deze descriptoren indicatoren met daaraan gekoppelde streefwaarden uit te werken. De Europese Unie ondersteunt de lidstaten in het opstellen van de methodologie van de indicatoren door middel van een technisch rapport en wetenschappelijke adviezen per descriptor. Op basis van deze wetenschappelijke adviezen werd Beschikking 2010/477/EU gepubliceerd, met verdere inhoudelijke bepalingen van de criteria en de methodologische standaarden in uitvoering van de KRMS en de bepaling van GMT van de mariene wateren.

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