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## OceanLab - Protecting the Oceans: Come to the Lab Work with Us!

### DESCRIPTION

The protection of the Ocean is a global and essential priority especially for Portugal, a country with a long coastline and a significant Exclusive Economic Zone. This protection can only be achieved by the increase of scientific knowledge about the Ocean and through the integrated discussion of its influence on Man, the influence of Man in the Ocean, and through initiatives such as the Marine Strategy Framework Directive and its Good Environmental Status descriptors (GES). The project proposes the creation of a specific laboratory (the OceanLab) to receive young people, their teachers and families in CIIMAR, leading them on a holistic approach to Ocean Literacy, through a program dedicated to carrying out a series of hands -on scientific experiments. These young people can put into practice, in a laboratory setting, experiences about the principles related to Ocean Literacy, its integrated management and maintenance of GES. Access to the OceanLab by the children will be done by visiting their schools, through holiday activities for young and/or Open Days organized for the general public. The support for OceanLab shall be the "The CIIMAR in School" (<http://www.ciimar.up.pt/oCIIMARnaEscola/>) and the Science Blog (<https://ciimarnaescola.wordpress.com/>) recently associated this program. It will thus benefit from the implementation this program already has in the school community, and it will promote the students contribution for CIIMAR Science Blog articles, based on the experiences that take place in the OceanLab.

### PROJECT PROMOTER

CIIMAR - Interdisciplinary Centre for Marine and Environmental Research

### TOTAL COST

17.950€

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17.950€

### EEA Grant

15.258€

### OUTCOME

Outcome#4 - Increased awareness of and education in integrated marine water management

### OUTPUT

Integrated marine water management training, education and awareness raising measures and activities implemented

### INDICATOR (I)

Number of awareness raising initiatives (incl. supporting materials) carried out in primary and secondary schools

### TARGET (I)

41

### INDICATOR (II)

Number of hits on the Ocean Literacy Website 2013-2016

### TARGET (II)

2500