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## BIOMETORE - Biodiversity in Seamounts: The Madeira-Tore and Great Meteor

### DESCRIPTION

Implementation of the MSFD implies that EC member states present a good environmental status of their marine waters. It is therefore essential to map and monitor critical areas, creating strategies that include a monitoring plan (PMo) for the ongoing assessment of the environmental status of marine waters and a plan of action (PMe) in order to achieve and maintain good environmental status. In PMe version available for public consultation establishes that new protected marine areas should be created large, enclosed in deep ocean areas, covering one of the most important ocean habitats: habitat OSPAR Sea Mounts. The BIOMETORE project includes research campaigns in Madeira-Tore geological complex and Great Meteor, for acquiring biodiversity data, ecological, physical and chemical parameters, identifying key species for which there are information gaps.

### PROJECT PROMOTER

Portuguese Sea and Atmosphere Institute (IPMA)

### TOTAL COST

2.654.257€

### PROJECT PARTNERS

Regional Agency for the Development of Research Technology and Innovation (ARDITI), Marine Science Center Algarve (CCMAR), CIIMAR - Interdisciplinary Centre for Marine and Environmental Research, DGRM - Directorate-General for Natural Resources, Safety and Maritime Services, FUNDACAO CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN -Gulbenkian Institute of Science, School of Social Communication / Polytechnic Institute of Lisbon (ECS IPL), Portuguese Task-group for the Extension of the Continental Shelf (EMEPC), Faculty of Sciences, University of Lisbon (FCUL), Faculty of Engineering, University of Porto (FEUP), IPL - Leiria Polytechnic Institute, University of Lisbon, Regional Directorate of Maritime Affairs (Azores), Marine Institute - IMAR (Azores), University of Azores, Observatory of the Azores Sea

### TOTAL ELIGIBLE COST

2.650.718€

### EEA Grant

2.253.110€

### OUTCOME

Outcome#2 - Improve monitoring of marine waters

### OUTPUT

Mapping and monitoring of critical MSFD areas carried through

### INDICATOR

Number of critical MSFD domains covered by mapping and monitoring initiatives within the programme

### DONOR PARTNER

Institute of Marine Research (IMR)

### TARGET

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