

Oceana is the largest international advocacy organisation dedicated solely to ocean conservation. Founded in 2001, we began our work in Europe in 2003.

Oceana is rebuilding an abundant and biodiverse ocean by winning science-based policies in countries that control one-quarter of the world's wild fish catch.

Oceana is a unique marine conservation organisation thanks to our campaign-driven approach, which combines science, policy, communications, legal action, and stakeholder engagement.

- Our team comes from a variety of countries, and we advocate at national, European and international levels, depending on what is most effective to achieve our goals. We are observers to international conservation and fisheries management bodies, and hold relevant positions in EU Advisory Councils.
- We have a research catamaran, the Ranger, that allows us to conduct research up to 1000 metres depth. Our scientists are co-authors of dozens of peer-reviewed papers. They have filmed and documented important, neverbefore-seen marine areas, and discovered species new to science.



### Oceana is:

- ▶ Fact-based: Our advocacy relies on scientific research to help us understand the problems causing pressure on the ocean and identify effective solutions.
- ▶ Campaign-driven: We create policy campaigns that make measurable progress towards our mission of protecting and restoring the ocean to healthy levels of abundance.
- ▶ Multidisciplinary: Our campaigners, scientists, lawyers, and communicators work closely together to secure effective policy change.





## Oceana in Europe is an effective team

We join forces with many stakeholders, including other nonprofit organisations, small-scale fishers' associations, scientists, and citizens, to maximise our impact.

## Oceana's campaigns are leading to a more abundant ocean together with our allies:

# 6 million km<sup>2</sup>

of marine protected areas and bottom-trawl bans have been adopted in Europe and the Mediterranean Sea, thanks to information collected by Oceana expeditions. Protected areas are an essential tool for rebuilding depleted marine life, conserving habitats, and increasing ocean resilience to the climate crisis.

Oceana has contributed to achieving a major reduction in overfishing in the North-East Atlantic:

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Fish populations are 37% more abundant and the fishing sector is more profitable.

## **Transparency**

The EU has disclosed which EU vessels are authorised to operate outside its waters; monitoring of fishing vessel movements will be required for the entire EU fishing fleet; and it will be more difficult for illegally caught seafood to enter the EU market.



Oceana in Europe is a non-profit organisation. As a beneficiary of public funds, our accounts are audited annually by external auditors.

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