



Implementation of improved and harmonized EU monitoring system for beach litter

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| North-East-Atlantic | |
| Geographical area targeted: | All EU MS; case: Belgium |
| Scale of Implementation: | European |
| Commencement Date: | |
| End Date | |
| Objectives: | Understanding the problem |
| Type of Initiative: | Other: Monitoring |
| Type of Marine Litter targeted: | All |
| Location of the litter targeted: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Coastal area Seashore/Beach River banks |
| Land based sources targeted: | All |
| Sea based sources targeted | All |
| Brief Description of the Initiative: | <p>Implementation of an improved and harmonized EU monitoring system (to be developed at EU level), including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * regulatory basis for continued monitoring (incl. available resources (manpower + budget)) * clear guidelines for beach monitoring (macro, meso) |
| Responsible organizations: | National government |
| Partner organizations: | Case Belgium: FSP Environmental Services (FOD - Dienst Marien Milieu) |
| Financing: | National government (as part of national MSFD budget foreseen for monitoring) |
| Project URL and other sources of information: | |
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