



Spain

Ministry for Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge



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MPA Program(s) Description or Highlights:

- The Ministry is responsible for the declaration and management of MPA (except those having a terrestrial component which are a responsibility of regional governments)
- Around 100 MPA are managed by the Ministry which represents 12% of marine jurisdictional waters
- Centralized management structure

Key Program Challenges/Priorities:

Protection of 30% of marine waters by 2030 (political commitment)

Achieve an effective management including:

- 1) approval of management plans (so far 1/3 of MPA have MP)
- 2) surveillance and enforcement
- 3) strengthen human and economic resources