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# CIBBRiNA – an international bycatch project

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# Overarching objectives

- › Minimise and where possible eliminate bycatch in the NEA/Baltic regions
- › Achieve successful cross-border cooperation with fishers and among countries
- › Implement successful monitoring programmes in cooperation with the RCGs
- › Implement successful/proven mitigation measures
- › Develop Joint Recommendations (CFP art.11), starting with high-risk species and fisheries
- › Determine high risk species and fisheries and develop a long-term strategy to minimise bycatch



# Guiding principles

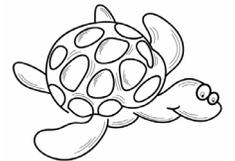
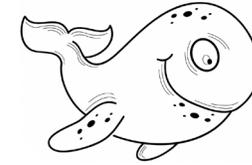
- > CIBBRiNA will work jointly with fishers, scientists, policymakers and NGO's
- > Prerequisite is an open mind towards possible solutions
- > Solutions need to be suitable for use by fishers
- > Cooperation and co-creation with the fisheries industry from early on (RRI principles)
- > Mutual trust, respect and understanding of different perspectives essential
- > Build upon existing work to avoid repetition, while remaining sensitive to possible limitations of earlier approaches
- > It is considered acceptable and valuable to report on what does not work, as much as what is successful
- > WP1, WP5, WP6, WP10, WP11 will work on embedding these principles from the start





# Scope

- > Focus on **high risk fisheries** (static gears, e.g. gillnets, pots and creels, but also pelagic trawls)
- > **Multi species** level (all PETS)
- > Regional scope **NEA/Baltic**, however, linkages with Med and Black Sea projects are recommended





# EU LIFE



- > New Life call launched in July 2021
- > Deadline full proposal 30 November 2021 (internal deadline 23 November)
- > EU co-funding aim 75%
- > Aim is total €10-20 million:  
Puzzel developed as we speak
- > Depending on:
  - #countries
  - #vessels
  - types of methods trialed in case studies
- > Different expertise in countries

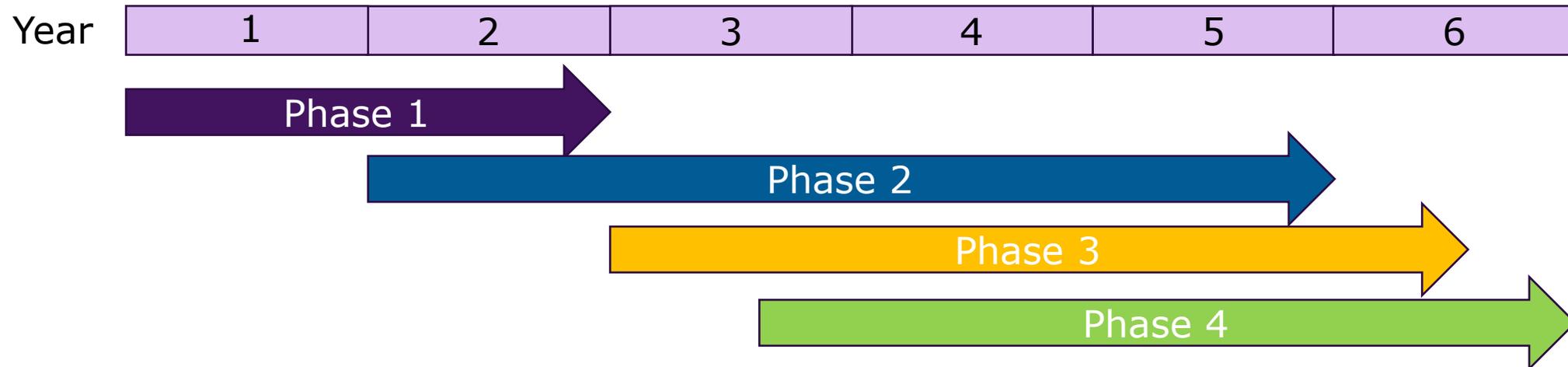


# Consortium

- > 36 beneficiary partners / 10 Associated partners
- > Partnerships fisheries/ govt/ science/ NGO's from:
  - BE, DE, DK, ES, FR, IS, IR, NL, NO, POL, POR, SW, UK
- > ICES, IWC
- > Stakeholder Advisory Board: 15 organisations
- > Among which 5 AC's, OSPAR, HELCOM, ASCOBANS, EAPO, EFCA, Low Impact Fishers of Europe (LIFE), NOAA, several NGO's/ 1 govt

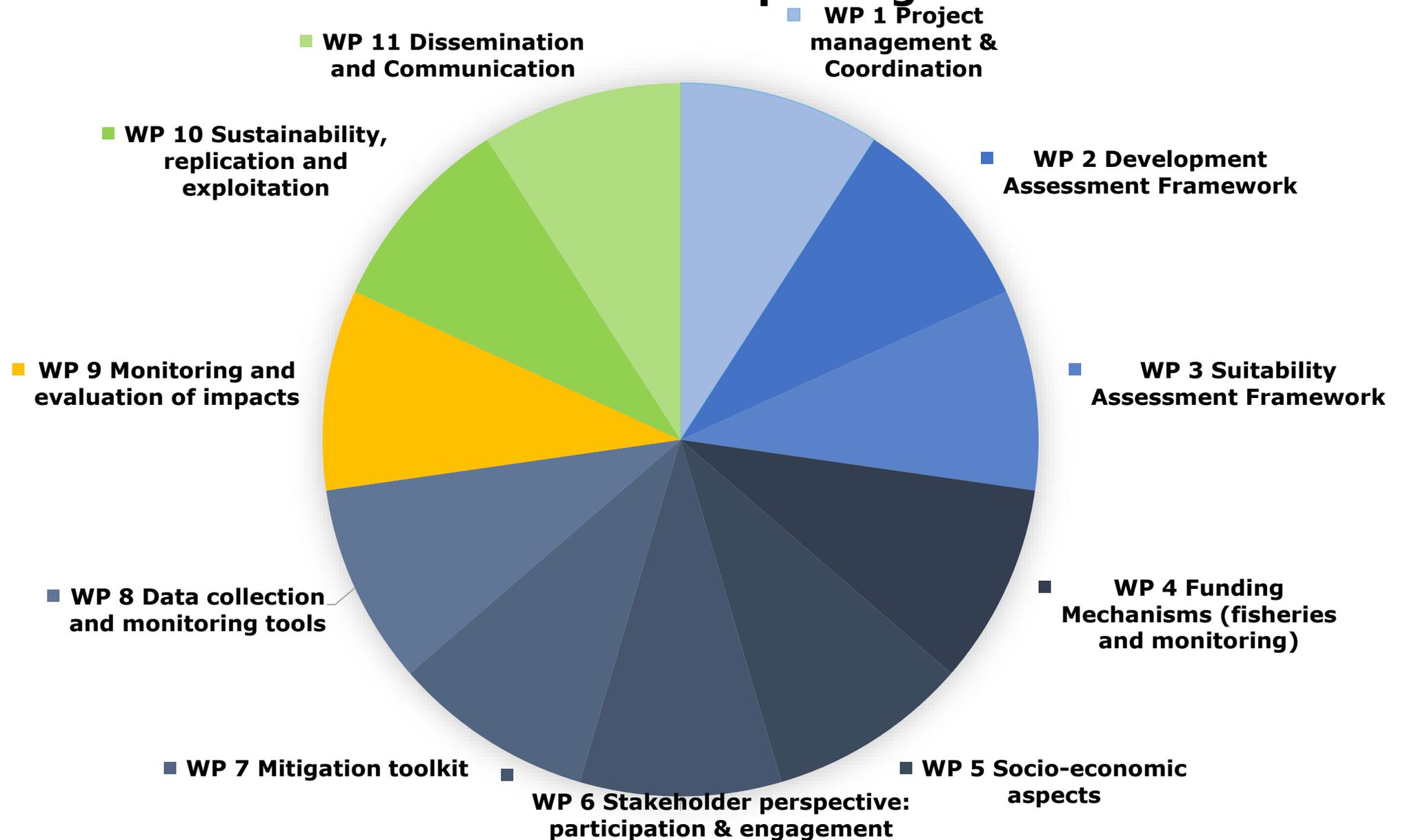


# Phased approach



1. Preparation phase: experimental design, invest in stakeholder dialogue, socio-economic aspects, funding;
2. Implementation phase: field monitoring and demonstration of mitigation;
3. Monitoring and evaluation: analysis information and assessing measures;
4. Dissemination results: aim for a structural reform in monitoring programs to increase coverage across regions via input in the Regional Coordination Groups, as well as develop Joint Recommendations to establish regional mitigation measures.

# CIBBRiNA work packages



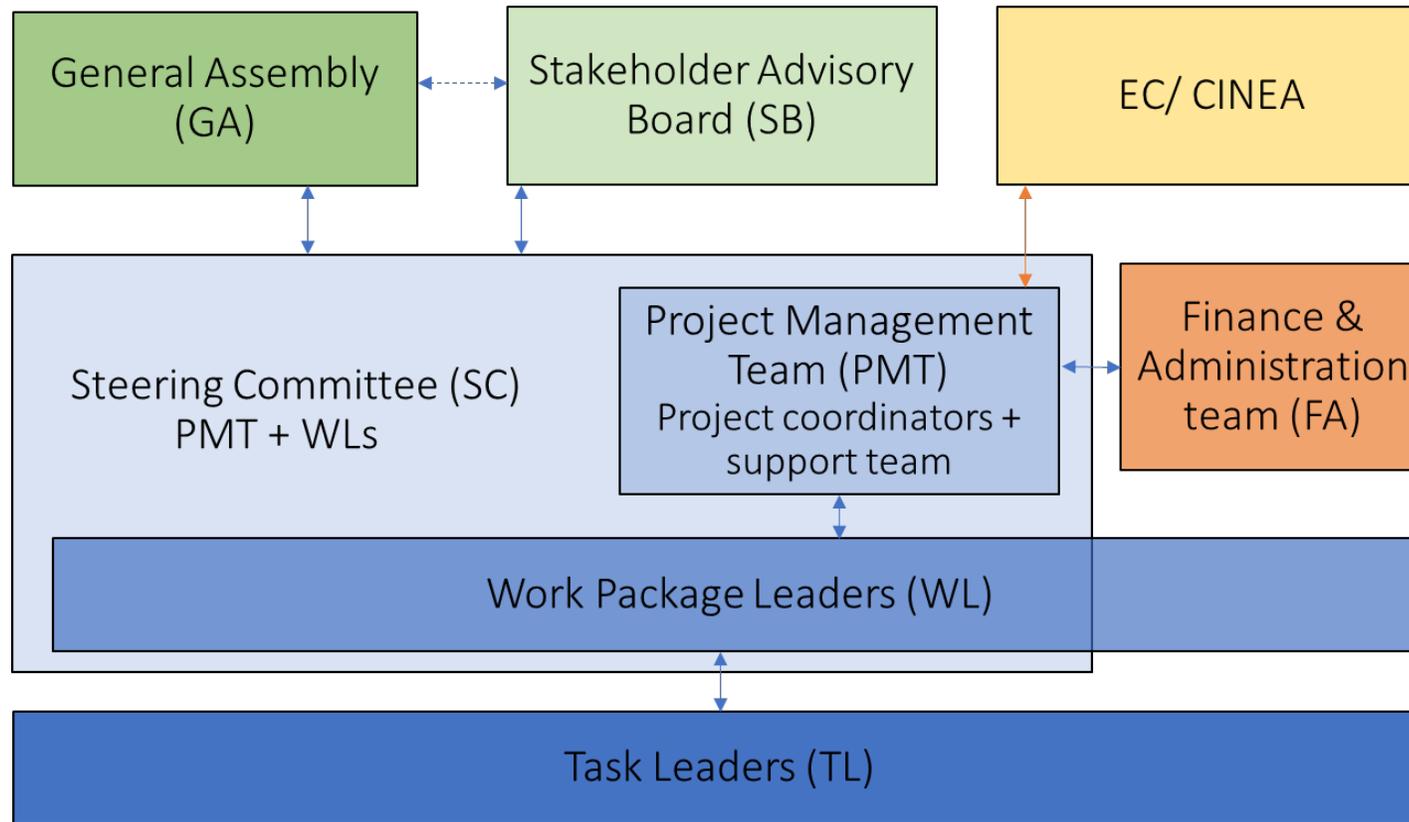


## Case studies 7.2

1. Pelagic trawls: avoiding bycatches of seals, sharks, tunas, dolphins and birds
2. Gillnets
  1. Gillnets – lumpsucker/turbot and flatfish fishery: bycatch mitigation of harbour porpoise, dolphins, seals and birds
  2. Gillnets in Galician waters: bycatch mitigation of harbour porpoise, common dolphin, bottom sharks and deep water rays.
3. Longline fisheries
  1. Deep-water longline fisheries in Portuguese waters: bycatch and depredation mitigation of Protected, Endangered or Threatened Species.
  2. Surface longlines around Azores and Madeira: bycatch mitigation of seabirds, turtles, sharks and dolphins
3. Floated demersal longlines in the NE Atlantic: bycatch mitigation of seabirds
4. Bottom trawl gears
  1. Bottom trawl and beam trawl gears: bycatch mitigation of sharks and rays
  2. Beamtrawl gears: future proofing through alternative gears
5. Miscellaneous gears: using multi-beam sonars to avoid bycatches of sharks and rays
6. To be included in a later stage of the project: Pair trawl fisheries in the Bay of Biscay: bycatch mitigation of cetaceans



# Project management structure





## Last steps...

Date / deadline	Activity
9 - 30 September	Finalise WP-teams / leads / task allocations, circulate formats
30 September	Deadline to confirm partnership, provide PIC / partner info form
29 October – ASAP!	Provide budget information
November	Finalise Part B (other sections) and C, check part A
5 November	Circulate edited consolidated 80% version of draft proposal
12 November	Provide comments on 80% version and budget
12 - 18 November	Process comments, internal review / trial evaluation
18 November	Circulate 95% version + budget
22 November	Provide comments on 95% version + budget
22 - 23 November	Process comments, final editing
<b>23 November</b>	<b>Submit proposal in online system</b>



# Request to ASCOBANS

- > Think about lead role WP10
- > Provide linkages with ACCOBAMS for SAB/ FAO?
- > Request for CIBBRiNA partners to:
  - Provide PIC number and participant info forms asap
  - Provide budgets asap or plan bilateral meeting for assistance
- > Consider additional

contribution to the project, specifically case studies, but potentially:

- Travel smaller organisations
- Subcontracts



# Thanks for your attention



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