

### The European project *quietMED* launch, a joint assessment to avoid the environmental impact of underwater noise

quietMED project aims to contribute to the implementation of the Second Cycle of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive 2008/56/CE (MSFD) as regards Descriptor 11- underwater noise "Introduction of energy, including underwater noise, is at levels that do not adversely affect the marine environment".

This project was launched in January 2017 and will run until December 2018 and it is coordinated by The Marine Technology Center (CTN). In the project are involved ten entities from seven different EU countries (Spain, France, Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Malta and Greece), in addition another non-EU countries will be incorporated through specific workshops.

Through this project are expected results of practical application such as the improvement of the methodology to set up the national registers of noise and the development of a hotspot map of noise sources that may be used as an interesting tool of management of the marine environment.

The results and conclusions of this project will be public in order to achieve a homogeneous implementation of the Second Cycle of the Marine Directive.

Visit the project: <http://www.quietmed-project.eu>



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