

2025
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2030

Our ambition

Today, Marine Protected Areas represent about 8% of the Mediterranean basin. To fully play their role in preserving the Mediterranean sea, these MPAs require sustainable funding and strong, collective management!

35M €
of capital invested

40 MPAs
supported by
2030

10 countries
supported in the
southern and eastern
Mediterranean

PROTECTING THE MEDITERRANEAN OUR FUTURE

The MedFund is a conservation trust fund based in Monaco, dedicated to supporting marine protected areas in the Mediterranean. Through funding from public, private and philanthropic partners, The MedFund provides long-term support to local initiatives aimed at protecting the Mediterranean Sea and its natural treasures. Created in 2015 by France, Tunisia and Monaco, with the support of the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, it embodies the commitment of several Mediterranean countries and international organizations to preserve this unique ecosystem, which is essential for both local populations and biodiversity. The MedFund is managed by a Board of Directors made up of its founding members, the Government of Spain, the MedPAN network, SPA/RAC, the Conservatoire du Littoral, and IUCN-Med.

The initiative was launched in 2013 by France, Monaco, and Tunisia, with the support of the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation. It received political backing from the countries of the Barcelona Convention and the Union for the Mediterranean.

Our mission

Sustainably finance and support the management of Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean, in accordance with each country's commitments.

ACT
PROTECT
FINANCE

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10 YEARS OF IMPACT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

2015
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2025

2018

The Association for the Sustainable Financing of Mediterranean MPAs is structured and becomes The MedFund. Spain joins the initiative.

2017

First grants awarded to 3 pilot MPAs in Albania, Morocco and Tunisia.

2015

Founding General Assembly in Tunis for the creation of the Association for the Sustainable Financing of Mediterranean MPAs.

2020

Adoption of the 2020/2025 strategy. First long-term grants (5 years) awarded to 8 MPAs across 4 countries. Initial capitalization of the endowment fund.

2021-2024

Expansion of our operations in 9 countries and 20 MPAs in the southern and eastern Mediterranean. Fundraising (+10 million euros).

2025

Adoption of a new 2025/2030 strategy. Goal: 40 MPAs supported by 2030.

The MedFund in numbers

20 MPAs GRANTED

9 BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES

+9500 KM² COVERED, INCLUDING NEARLY 800 KM² OF HIGHLY PROTECTED AREAS

+6,3 MILLION EUROS COMMITTED

50 to 70 THOUSAND EUROS ALLOCATED /YEAR*
*Annual grant amount based on the specific characteristics of each MPA

16 MILLION EUROS MOBILIZED

15 CO-MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS* SIGNED
*Involving national authorities and local NGOs

+68 000 PERSONS BENEFITING FROM THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF SUPPORTED MPAs

Thank you to everyone who made this possible



2020 MPAs

Principles of intervention

SUSTAINABLE FINANCING

For recurring management costs

CO-MANAGEMENT

& shared governance of the sea

BLUE ECONOMY

Sustainable tourism and fishing activities

INCLUSION

Support for the role of women in MPAs

SCIENCE

Species and habitat monitoring

"The MedFund represents a unique opportunity and a spark for co-management between national authorities and NGOs — a dynamic that must absolutely be continued."

Manager's words

"The MedFund finances the most difficult-to-fund activities for Marine Protected Areas."

Partner's words

Jebel Moussa
38 km²



Al Hoceima
490 km²



MOROCCO

ALGERIA

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Conservation targets monitored within granted MPAs

- Seagrasses:** Posidonia / Cymodocea / Zostera
- Fish:** Groupers / Sandbar Shark / Guitarfish
- Brown algae:** Cystoseira
- Mollusks:** Noble pen shell / Giant limpet / Limpet / Clam / Octopus
- Seabirds:** Eleonora's falcon / Little tern / Eurasian spoonbill / Audouin's gull / Osprey
- Marine turtle:** Loggerhead turtle
- Marine mammal:** Monk seal
- Coralligenous habitats:** Sponges, cnidarians

*All data is drawn from The MedFund's management effectiveness assessment tool.



CROATIA

Telascica
69.99 km²

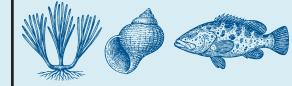


Platamuni
10.87 km²



MONTENEGRO

Katič
27.45 km²



ALBANIA

Stari Ulcinj
9.29 km²



Karaburun Sazan
124 km²



GREECE

Porto Palermo
16.94 km²



Sporades-Alonissos
2315.7 km²



Gökova
1090 km²



TÜRKIYE

Datça Bozburun
1443.9 km²



Fethiye Göcek
805.37 km²



LEBANON

Palm Island
4.2 km²



Gouraya
36.50 km²



The Galite
101 km²



TUNISIA

The Northern Kerkennah Islets
1091.5 km²



The Kuriat Islands
1848 km²



The Kneiss Islands
296 km²



Ras Rmel
18.52 km²

