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## 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  
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## 10 YEARS OF IMPACT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

**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** KM<sup>2</sup> COVERED, INCLUDING NEARLY 800 KM<sup>2</sup> 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 km<sup>2</sup>



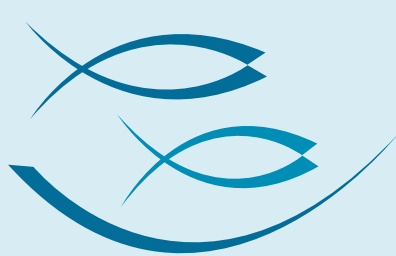
**Al Hoceima**  
490 km<sup>2</sup>



**MOROCCO**

**ALGERIA**

**THE MED FUND**



## 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.

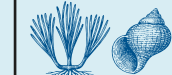


**CROATIA**

**Telascica**  
69.99 km<sup>2</sup>



**Platamuni**  
10.87 km<sup>2</sup>



**MONTENEGRO**

**Katič**  
27.45 km<sup>2</sup>



**ALBANIA**

**Stari Ulcinj**  
9.29 km<sup>2</sup>



**Karaburun Sazan**  
124 km<sup>2</sup>



**GREECE**

**Porto Palermo**  
16.94 km<sup>2</sup>



**Sporades-Alonissos**  
2315.7 km<sup>2</sup>



**Gökova**  
1090 km<sup>2</sup>



**TÜRKIYE**

**Datça Bozburun**  
1443.9 km<sup>2</sup>



**Fethiye Gökcek**  
805.37 km<sup>2</sup>



**LEBANON**

**Palm Island**  
4.2 km<sup>2</sup>



**Gouraya**  
36.50 km<sup>2</sup>



**The Galite**  
101 km<sup>2</sup>



**TUNISIA**

**The Northern Kerkennah Islets**  
1091.5 km<sup>2</sup>



**The Kuriat Islands**  
1848 km<sup>2</sup>



**The Kneiss Islands**  
296 km<sup>2</sup>



**Ras Rmel**  
18.52 km<sup>2</sup>

