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# Communicating/promoting national networks. <u>Lessons learnt</u>



- Include society as part of the management policy, so the sectors that have potentially greater impact become the first head of conservation.
- Make civil society aware of the need to preserve the environment such as the ocean, with information and training.
- Transmit knowledge through the scientific community and the management entities to civil society and make them feel part of the conservation.





# Communicating/promoting national networks. Challenges

- Participatory processes to involve local communities and sea users.
- Improve the communication messages to increase awareness level about the values and potential of the MPAs.
- Cooperation between stakeholders and research groups.

