



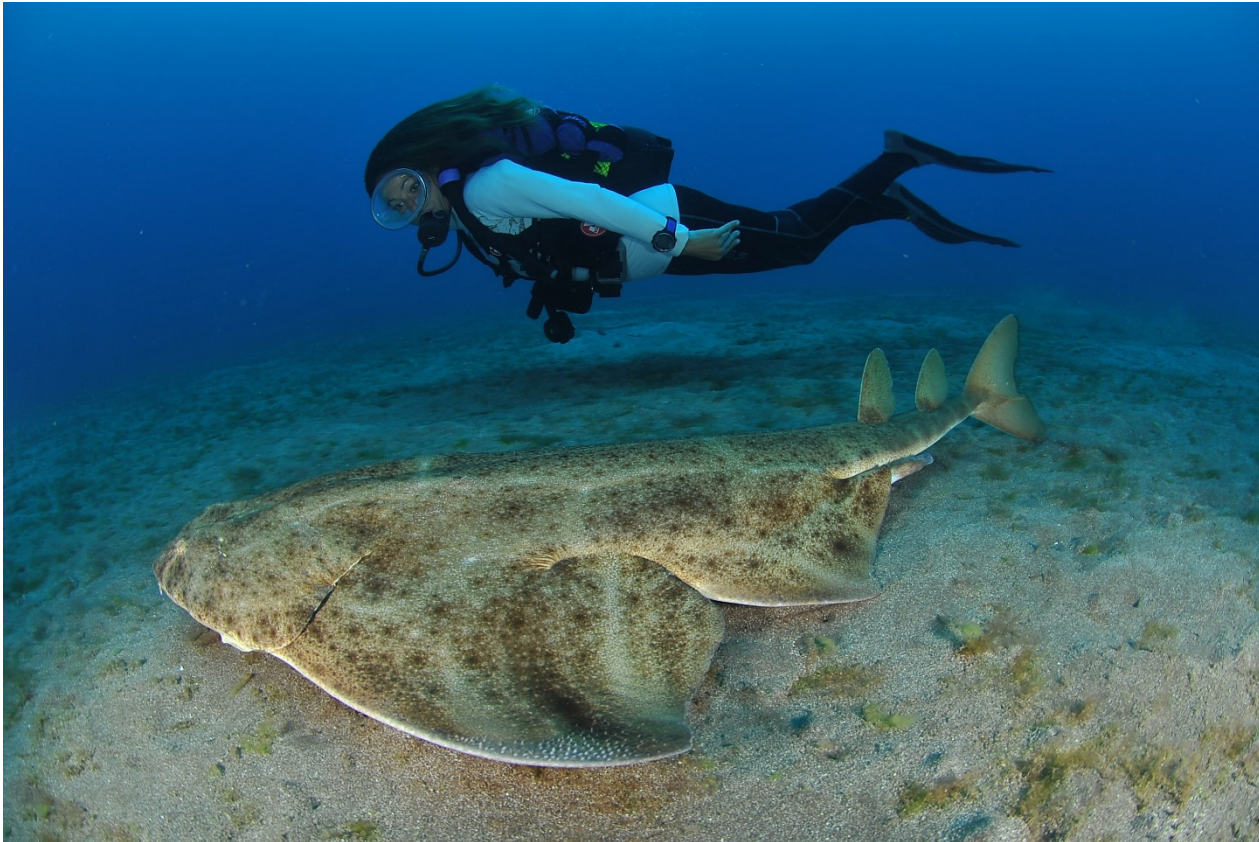
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Overview of environmental issues



Angel shark



Spiny butterfly ray



Baltic Sea harbour porpoise



Balearic shearwater



Sand tiger shark



Seagrass



Black Sea Pontic Biogenic substrate



Main conservation measures

MPAs

- *Areas where fishing with specified gears is prohibited (Annex II of « Technical Measures » Regulation)*
- *Marine protected areas under Habitats Directive (Natura 2000 areas)*
- *Protection of seabed habitats under Marine Strategy Framework Directive (under discussion)*
- *Measures adopted by MS on a national basis*

Other measures applying to all EU waters

- *Reduction in fishing mortality towards F_{msy} (on track in Northeast Atlantic, more needs to be done in Mediterranean Basin)*
- *Prohibition to catch, land, tranship & market sensitive species (cetaceans, corals, many sharks and endangered and vulnerable species)*
- *Restrictions in fishing over deep-water vulnerable marine ecosystems (VME Regulation)*

Next steps

Action plan to conserve fisheries resources and protect marine ecosystems:

- Report published in September 2021*
- Public consultation soon*
- Actions to be recommended to Member States (early 2022)*
- Member States to decide on regional measures within 12 months*

Reports

[Report: Implementation of the Technical Measures Regulation \(Article 31 of Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1241\) :](#)

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM:2021:583:FIN>

[Commission staff working document: Implementation of the Technical Measures Regulation \(Article 31 of Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1241\):](#)

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