

# ACCESS2SEA - New opportunities for more competitive and sustainable blue growth in Atlantic Area

**Lead Partner:** Fundación Bahía de Cádiz para el Desarrollo Económico (ES)

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## Summary

Marine aquaculture (fish, shellfish, algaculture) is a leading sector of the Atlantic Area blue economy that relies on an important tradition in many EU countries and that is economically relevant in many of its coastal areas. As only 10% of Atlantic shore seafood is aquaculture-sourced there is a great opportunity to increase its production in a sustainable way. Access2Sea aims to improve the attractiveness of the Atlantic shore for aquaculture SMEs by enabling and providing an easier access to new business opportunities. Its objective is to enhance the exploitation and preservation of the Atlantic Area's natural assets by addressing its existing barriers and providing the industry with technical solutions. Access2Sea will work to enable onshore production and disseminate existing and new best practices, as well as providing support to the aquaculture SMEs that can could invest in the Atlantic Area.

## Partnership

- > Innovation & Management Centre WestBIC (IE)
- > Údarás na Gaeltachta (IE)
- > Fundación Centro Tecnológico Acuicultura de Andalucía (ES)
- > Investir en Finistère (FR)
- > Universidade do Algarve (PT)
- > Tecnopole Quimper-Cornuaille (FR)
- > Swansea University (UK)
- > Centro Interdisciplinar de Investigação Marinha e Ambiental da Universidade do Porto (PT)

Associated partners:

- > Technopôle Brest Iroise (FR)

