

Ecosystem-based approach towards the sustainable management of coastal engineering: compensation and mitigation measures applied to the Civitavecchia harbour

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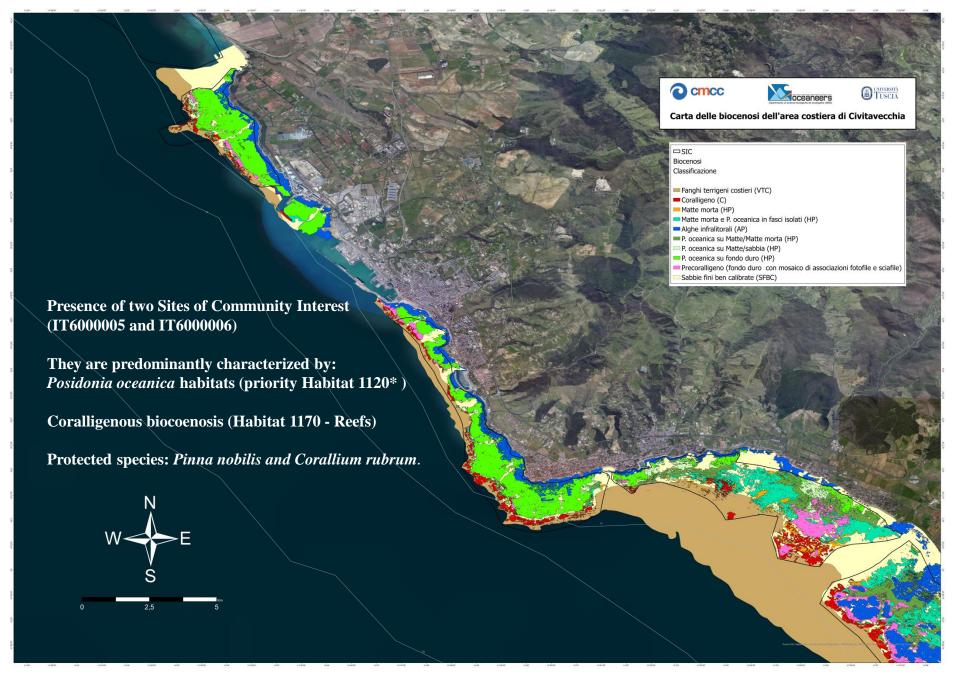


In the last 15 years the Port of Civitavecchia has increased its commercial traffic reaching a total of two million tons of bulk goods. It is also strategic for the access to important Italian tourist destinations and important Mediterranean cruise routes, becoming leader in this field.

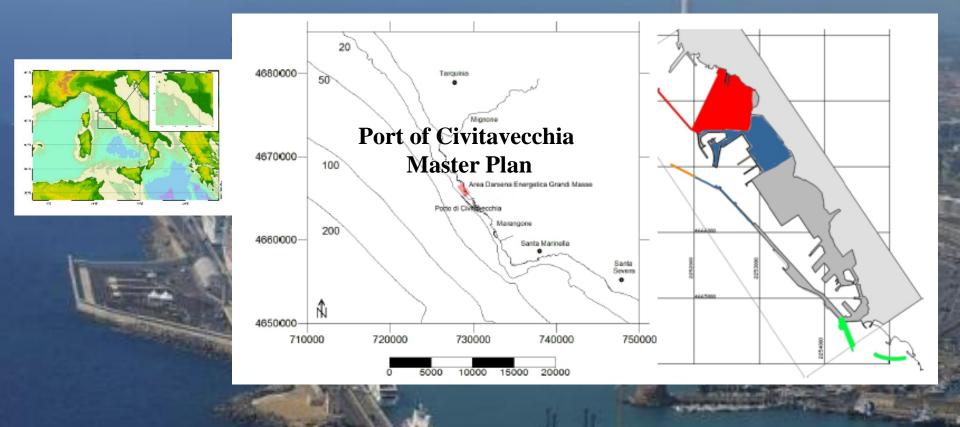


The development works of the wharfs and passenger welcoming structures have granted the possibility of recording a significant increase in cruise liners, going from 50 ships in 1996 to 500 in 2003. Civitavecchia aims at increasing the tourist flow with the target of becoming the most important cruise port in the Mediterranean.

Biocoenosis of the Civitavecchia marine coastal area

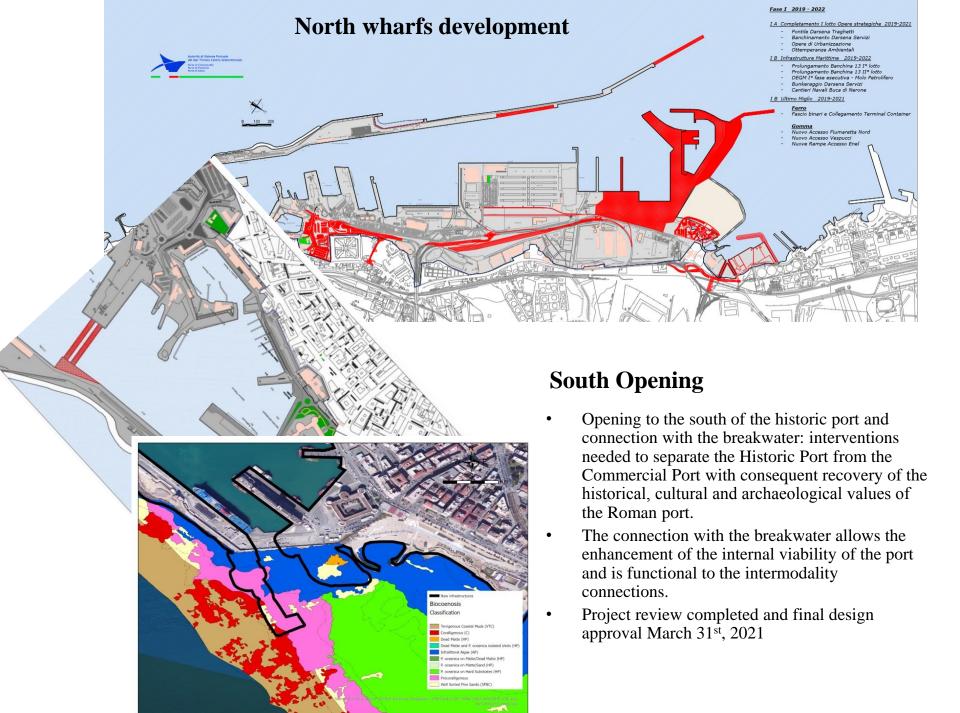


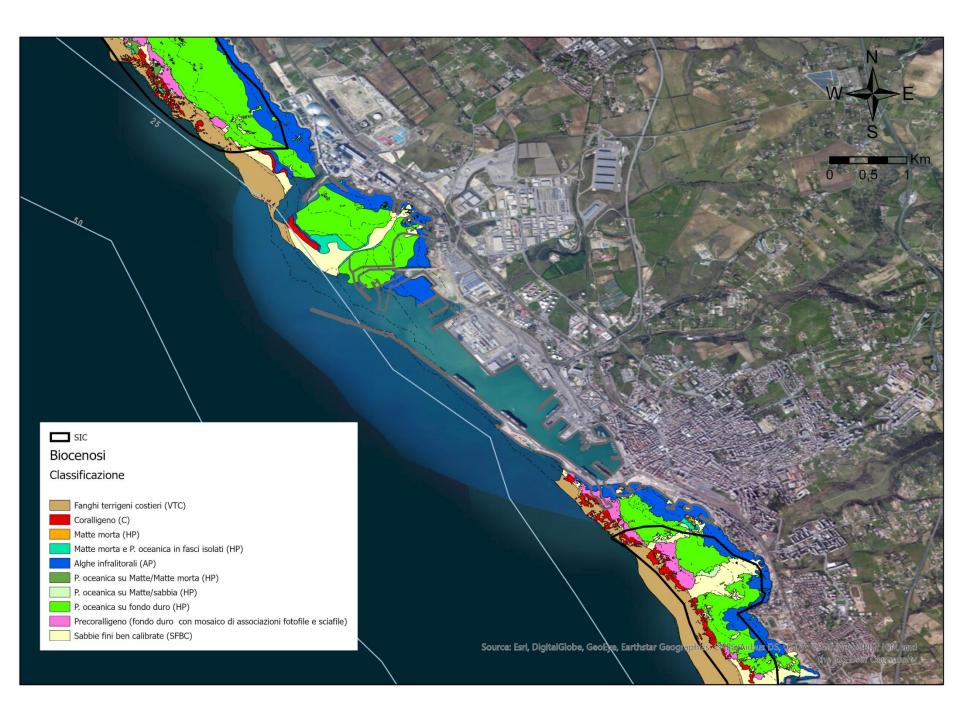
The expansion of the Civitavecchia Hub Port



Within Strategic Environmental Assessment procedures (SEA), a series of complex activities has been implemented to reduce the potential impacts on the marine environment:

- 1) analysis of the different habitats ecosystem services;
- 2) assessment of direct and indirect impacts of the expansion works on marine habitats;
- 3) design of an ecosystem-based program of mitigation and compensation measures based on the restoration of the lost ecosystem services .



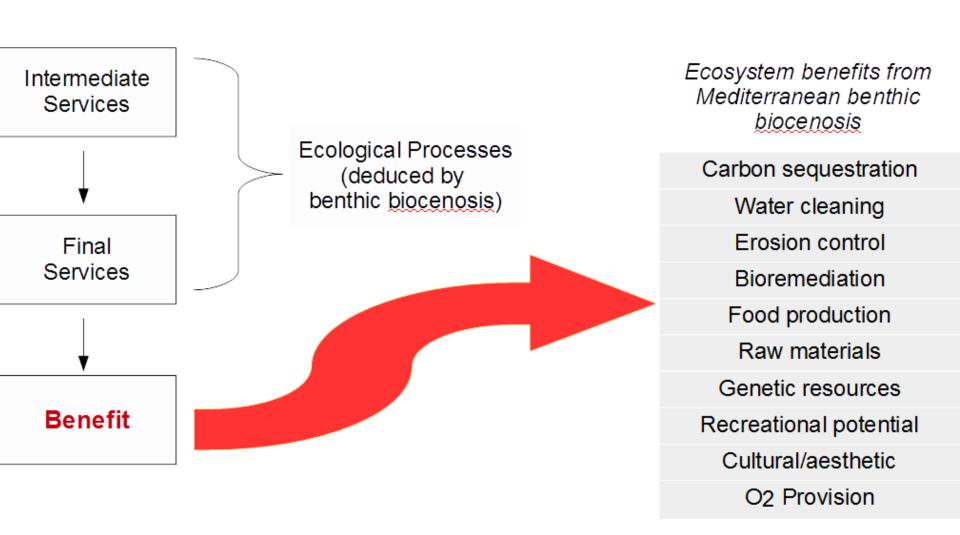


Environmental sustainability is based on the relationship between development and impact on the Natural Capital. An action is sustainable from an environmental point of view when it does not involve a decline in the Natural Capital



EVALUATION OF ECOSYSTEM SERVICES FOR IMPACTED HABITATS AND SPECIES

Ecological economy is an attempt to assess the value of the Natural Capital through the evaluation of ecosystem services it provides (Costanza 2008)



Ecosystem benefits economic evaluation

P.oceanica impact

Habitat	Surface (ha)	Impacted surface (ha)
<i>P.oceanica</i> on hard substrates	64.3	9
<i>P.oceanica</i> other substrates	11.6	6
Total P.oceanica	75.8	15

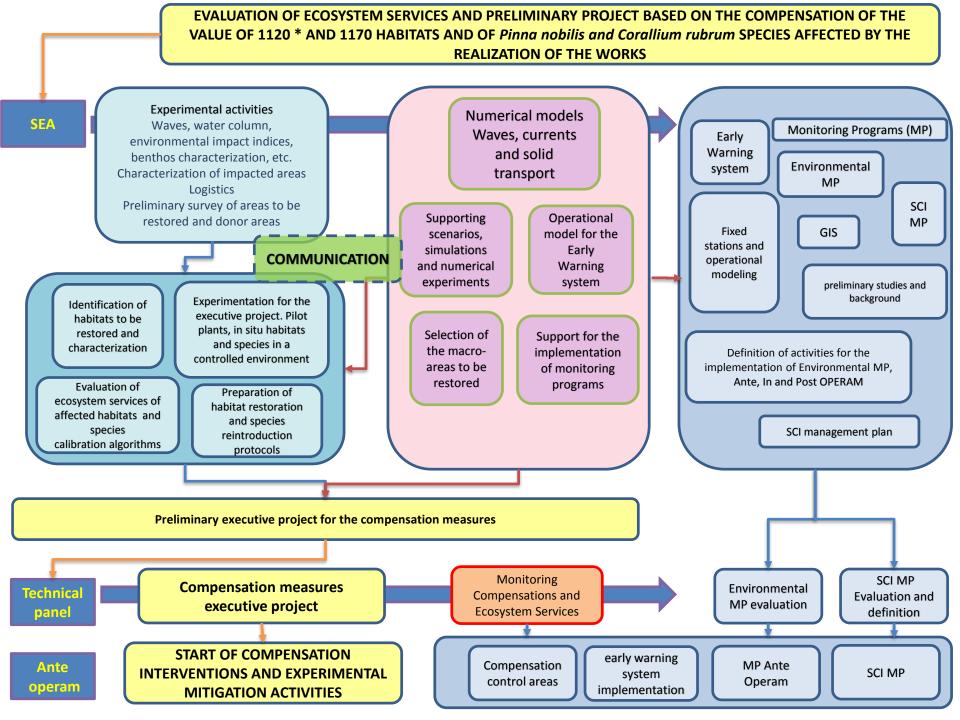
Posidonia oceanica		
Ecosystem Service Euros ha/yr		
Carbon sink	3.4	
Erosion prevention	8950	
Bioremediation	2794	
Food production	4391	
O2 supply	87.6	
Total Benefit	16135	

Marcelli et al. 2018

Reef impact

Habitat	Surface (ha)	Impacted surface (ha)
coral reef	/	3.5

Ecosystem Service	Dollars ha/yr (de Groot et al.)	Dollar ha/yr (Civitavecchia) 33725	
Provisioning Services	55724		
Food	677	677	
Water	o	0	
Raw materials	21528	0	
Genetic resources	33048	33048	
Medicinal resources	0	o	
Ornamental resources	472	o	
Regulating Services	171478	14471	
Air quality	0	0	
Climate regulation	1188	1188	
Disturbance moderation	16991	4248	
Regulation of water flows	0	o	
Waste treatment	85	85	
Erosion prevention	153214	8950	
Nutrient cycling	0	0	
Pollination	0	0	
Biological control	0	o	
Habitat Services	16210	16210	
nursery services	0	0	
genetic diversity	16210	16210	
Cultural Services	108837	1145	
Esthetic information	0	0	
Recreation	96302	0	
Inspiration	0	o	
Spiritual experience	0	0	
Cognitive development	1145	1145	
Total Benefit	352249	65551	



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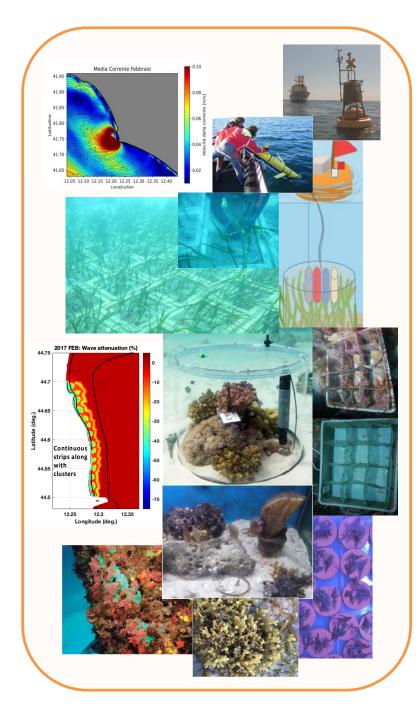
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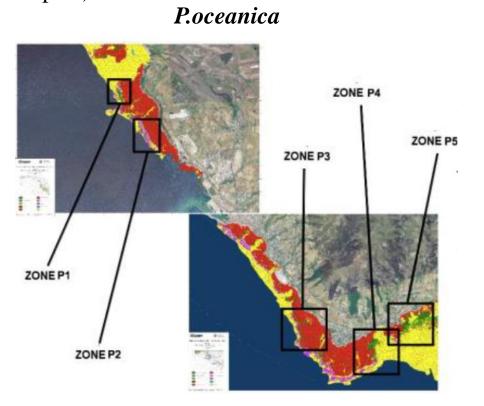
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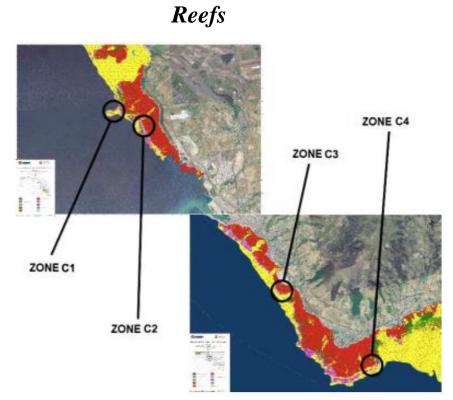
Support to bycatch recovery program



Restoration and compensation measures

Direct impacts on *P. oceanica* and coral reefs are computed considering the impacted surfaces and 10 years time interval for recovery (2.4 million euros for *P.oceanica* and 2 million euros for coral reefs for a total of 4.4 million euros for the value of lost benefits from direct impact).





Restoration of the ecosystem services provided by impacted habitats. The compensation is of about **120 ha after 10 years** Restoration of damaged *P. oceanica* meadows by transplanting cuttings

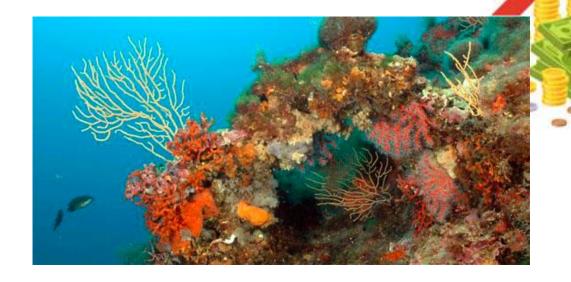
Installation of n.100 antitrawling barriers and n.40 mooring buoys to protect the habitat.

Recovery, through bycatch campaigns and reintroduction in selected hotspots of **6000 individuals** of the different impacted species.

The compensation is of about **24 ha after 10 years** Installation of n.50 reef balls for restocking.

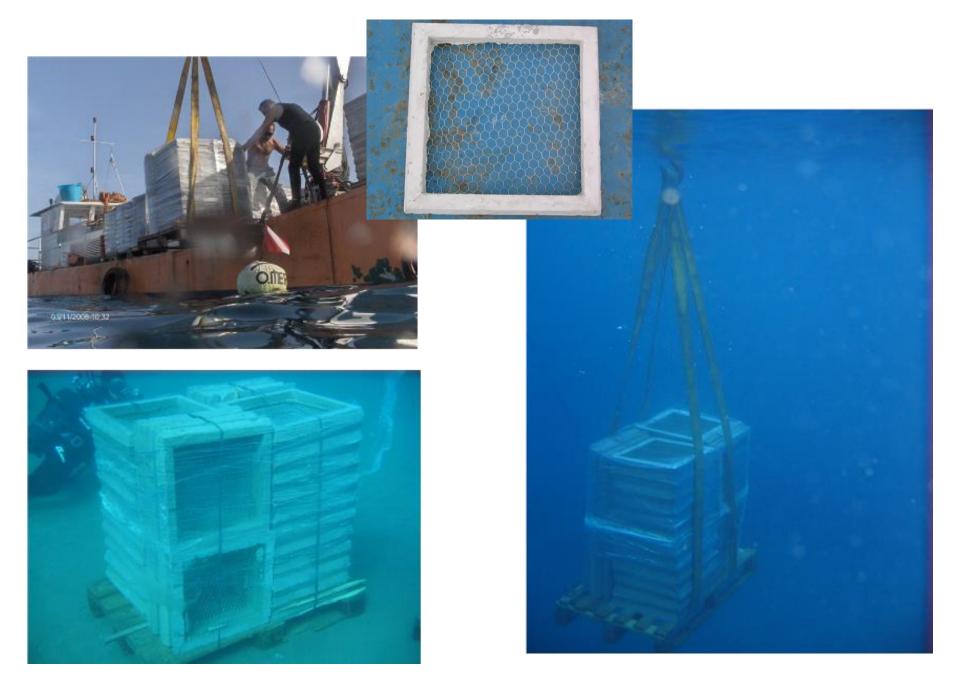


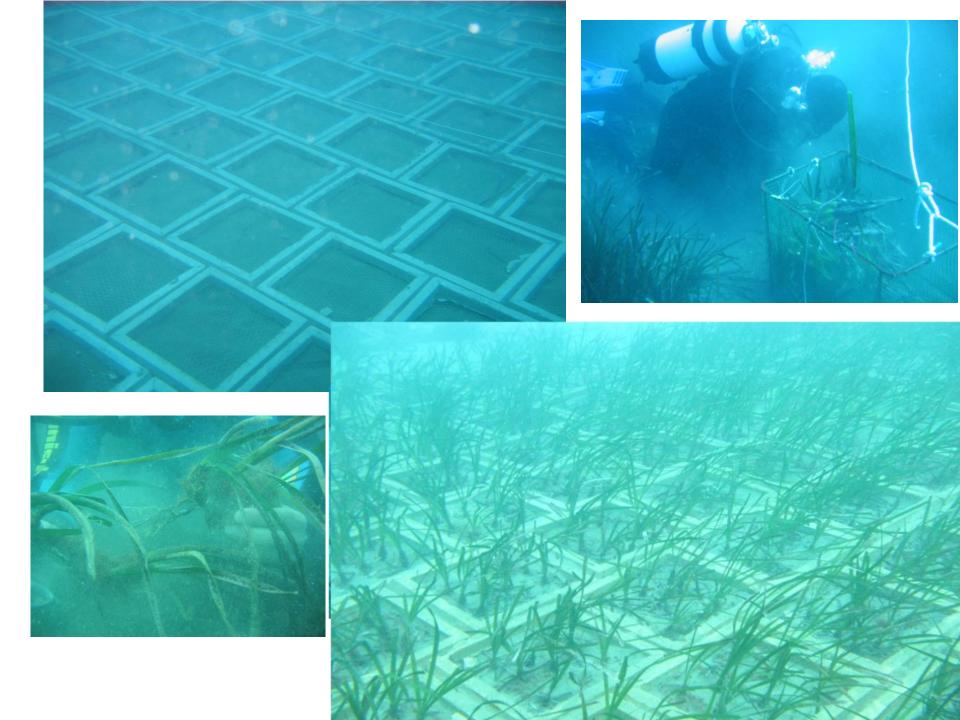
While the nature value always grows...

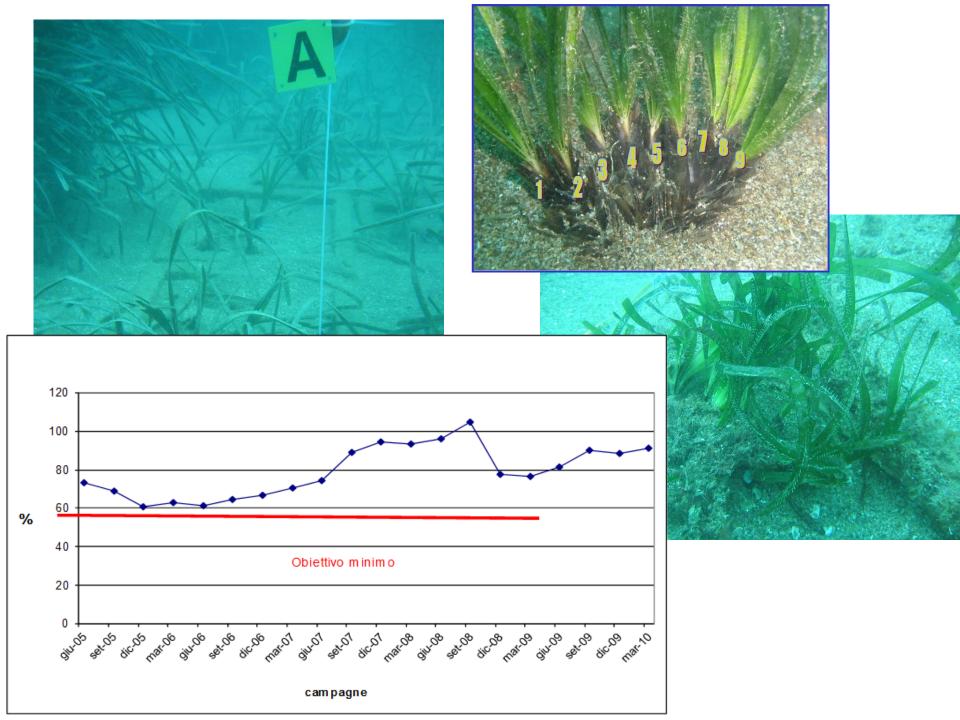


...the value of industrial settlements often collapses!









Sequestro di Carbonio

Comparto Biomassa: Cb

Prateria di P.oceanica Comparto Litter: Cl

Comparto Soil: *Cs*

Dati da letteratura

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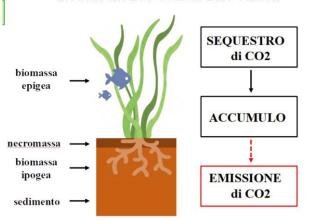
Il Sequestro di Carbonio totale è dato da : Ct = Cb + Cl + Cs

Per il trasferimento del valore economico del benefit:

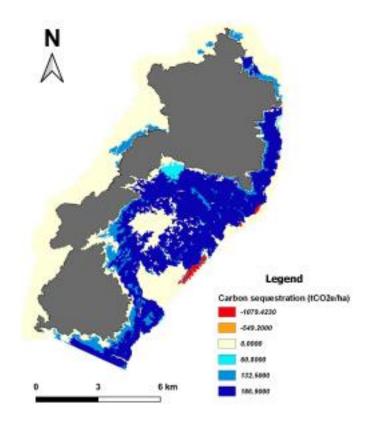
$$C = 0.01 * Ct * 24.7$$
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6 km

Modello InVEST Coastal Blue Carbon



Example: Asinara Park

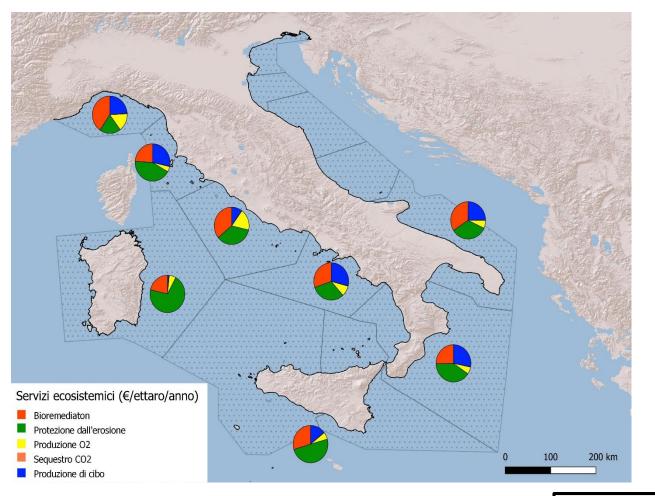


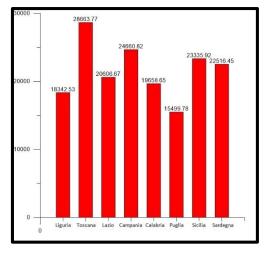
Regione	Sequestro CO2 (€/ha/anno)
Liguria	40.10
Toscana	41.88
Lazio	22.60
Campania	61.10
Calabria	41.77
Puglia	28.60
Sicilia	40.60
Sardegna	34.50

Campania	Servizi ecosistemici (€/ettaro/anno) Campania ■ Bioremediaton ■ Protezione dall'erosione Produzione O2 Sequestro CO2 ■ Produzione di cibo □ Stribuzione P.oceanica ■ Matte morta ■ Posidonia degradata ■ Posidonia su matte Posidonia su roccia ■ Posidonia su sabbia
7442.26	Substrato non specificato 7107.43
	— 61.10 2271.03
7778.97	0 10 20 km

Regione	Produzione O2 (€/ha/anno)
Liguria	2869.01
Toscana	1334.84
Lazio	3809.90
Campania	2271.04
Calabria	1220.46
Puglia	1074.98
Sicilia	1462.66
Sardegna	1392.16

Benefit (%)	Campania
Sequestro CO2	0.25%
Produzione O2	9.21%
Bioremediation	30.18%
Protezione erosione	31.54%
Produzione cibo	28.82%





8 miliardi di euro

Regione	Benefit totali (€/ha/anno)	Es tensione P.oceanica (ha)	P. oceanica SIC (ha)	% valore SIC	Valore economico totale (€)	Valore economico SIC (€)
Liguria	18342.5	5050.1	4644.5	92.0	92,632,110.5€	85,192,384.4€
Toscana	28663.8	31587.3	10475.9	33.2	905,411,388.8€	300,277,641.6€
Lazio	20606.7	21563.6	12156.1	56.4	444,352,939.7€	250,496,085.9€
Campania	24660.8	9684.7	4192.4	43.3	238,831,657.0€	103,386,788.7€
Calabria	19658.7	7749.9	6170.1	79.6	152,352,375.0€	121,295,246.6€
Puglia	15499.8	33842.9	33842.9	100.0	524,557,349.6€	524,557,349.6€
Sicilia	23335.9	74928.4	18020.4	24.1	1,748,521,698.8€	420,522,432.6€
Sardegna	22516.4	174489.7	44186.4	25.3	3,928,879,205.6€	994,918,882.1€
ITALIA	21660.6	358896.5	133688.6	56.7	8,035,538,725.0€	2,800,646,811.5€

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