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SPANISH STRATEGY ON BLUE GROWTH	
<p>The approach of the Spanish strategy on Blue Growth is focussed on the highlights of the fishing sector. From this approach, this strategy take into consideration the idea of blue growth proposed by the European Union incorporating elements derived from the Blue Forum proposed by FAO, as well as developed by the OECD and the initiative "OUR OCEAN" green growth.</p> <p>Initiative of blue growth presented in this document acquired a character of its own to synthesize the different approaches currently present in our society and, at the same time, responds to important challenges and commitments arising from the strategy of the European Union. It has a national perspective but takes into account geographical differences, which is a principle at the foundation of the concept of blue growth.</p> <p>This strategy represents an important effort of integration of policies so far dispersed in order to achieve, by bringing them under the same concept, a better understanding of the impact, on a particular geographical environment. This understanding will result in positive synergies between managers and improve the ability to generate new ideas.</p> <p>This strategy is articulated in three blocks. The first one deals with the support elements like data collection, maritime spatial planning, maritime safety and marine knowledge.</p> <p>The second is formed by the nuclear elements of the strategy, intended to address sustainable economic development, social development and environmental equilibrium. The third block includes the support elements of the strategy, referring to the participation of the interested parties.</p>	