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Before joining the Commission, he was a researcher at the University of Vigo and was involved in a number of research projects for international organizations. He also worked as a fisheries expert and team leader in several projects in Asia, Central America and Africa.

**MEASURING AND ANALYSING THE EU BLUE ECONOMY**

In this presentation, Angel Calvo will outline the composition and size of the blue economy for the EU as a whole. Maritime sectors and regions are considered to be drivers for the European economy, with a potential of 5.4 million jobs and a gross added value of just under EUR 500 billion per year.

Furthermore, Angel Calvo will speak of the process DG MARE has begun to analyze the trends, drivers and economic aspects of the Blue Economy that allows for comparison across different activities, different countries and different sea basins in order to inform policies aiming at promoting blue growth and jobs. This process will be materialized in the new economic report of the EU Blue Economy and the availability of comparable and systematic statistical data for the EU maritime economy.