



At a Glance

Title:	European Marine Research Knowledge Transfer and Uptake of Results	
Programme:	FP7, Cooperation, Environment (including Climate Change)	
Instrument:	Coordination and Support Action (Supporting)	
Total budget:	€871,336	
EC contribution:	€782,000	
Duration:	February 2010 – January 2012	
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The Challenge

Knowledge is a major source of competitive advantage in business. European marine research projects could play a pivotal role in the sustainable development of our natural resources and in knowledge-based ocean governance. The European Commission has funded almost 600 marine research projects through the 6th and 7th Framework Programmes, worth more than €1.1 billion, which represent a significant financial and human investment in marine research and development.

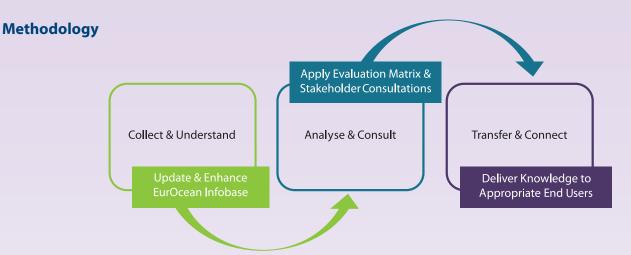
However, a considerable proportion of this potentially valuable knowledge is idle because key stakeholders are not aware of its existence. Not all of the new knowledge generated has had the expected impact, largely due to the familiar obstacles impeding knowledge transfer between research institutions and third parties.



Project Objectives

MarineTT will step up to the challenge to unlock the knowledge potential of previously funded research activities using an innovative approach to address the problem:

- Gain a more comprehensive overview of the knowledge generated by reviewing research outcomes and identifying which could be potentially exploited.
- Devise and trial an innovative evaluation mechanism to identify the research outcomes with the most potential for exploitation.
- Connect and transfer knowledge to key stakeholders.



Results

MarineTT will make a real contribution to improved access to European marine research results for industry, multipliers, the civil society, and policy-makers. The project is expected to produce a number of impactful results.

Key Results	Description
Comprehensive Marine Research Infobase	The Infobase will contain project information, objectives and results from all recent and current EC marine funded projects
Searchable " Knowledge Outputs" Repository	The repository will categorise outputs by relevance to different types of end users; policy makers, industry, education and scientific community
Innovative Methodology	New methodology for the collection and assessment of research outcomes focusing on the impact of knowledge and the cost of transfer
Needs Analysis	Identification of existing and emerging challenges in Marine Research
Knowledge Transfer	Successful translation, transfer and uptake of scientific knowledge outputs for industrial competitiveness, policy development, decision making, management actions, education and public awareness

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