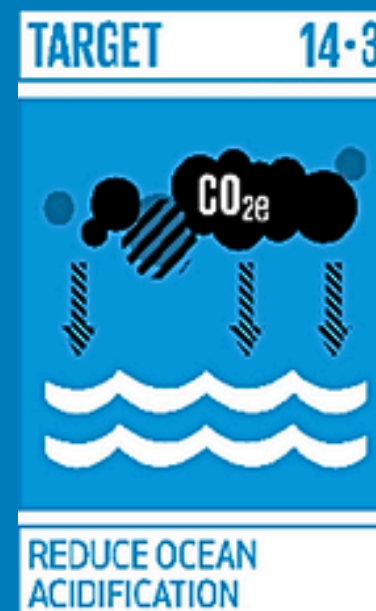


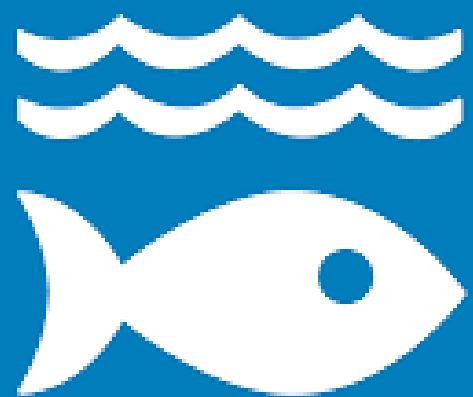
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FACTS AND FIGURES

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In 2021 - **17 million metric tons** of pollution was clogging the ocean. This figure is set to **triple by 2040.**

Ocean heat is at record levels threatening our rich marine eco-systems and **killing coral reefs** around the world.



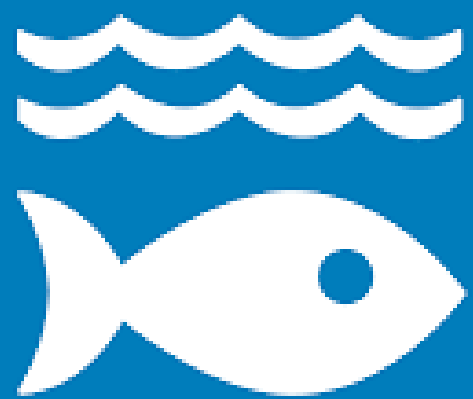
The ocean is about **30% more acidic** than in preindustrial times. Ocean acidification threatens the survival of marine life and undermines our own **Food Security**.

Kelp seaweed forests are among the most productive ecosystems on earth. Learn more: mcsuk.org



Nearly 80% of the world's fisheries are fully exploited, over-exploited, depleted, or in a state of collapse. Worldwide, **90% of the stocks of large predatory fish**, such as sharks, tuna, marlin, and swordfish, **are already gone.**





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Ireland has a maritime area that is seven times the size of the island.

For more resources check out: fairseas.ie

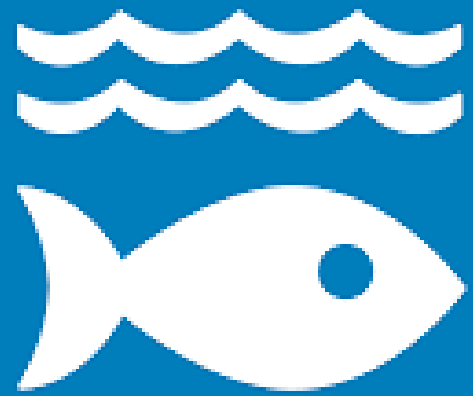


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Ireland's **Marine Protected Area** is currently designated at 9%- the goal is 30% by 2030

The EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive calls for all MPAs to have good environmental status.

Irish Wildlife Trust have comprehensive information on Marine Protected Areas (MPA's)



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PODCAST:
FISH OUT OF HOT
WATER

with former Irish president, **Mary Robinson**, comedian-writer, **Maeve Higgins**, and series producer, **Thimali Kodikara**.

ARTICLE: FISHERIES SUBSIDIES

(primarily originating from wealthy nations) disproportionately impact the Global South & are causing environmental and societal harm.

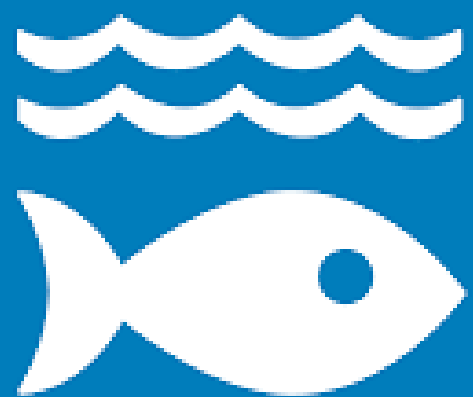
ARTICLE:

Read how **Artisanal fishing** can improve livelihoods, boost nutrition and strengthen food systems,

FILM:
A PLASTIC
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(Free to watch in the link).





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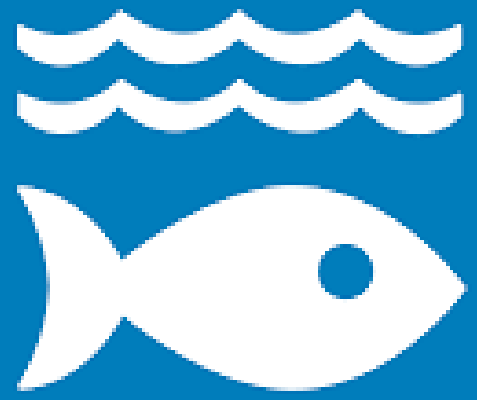
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