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## MARLISCO Project FP7

### MARine Litter in Europe Seas: Social Awareness and CO-Responsibility

#### UK MARLISCO FORUM, 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2014, LONDON

The **UK MARLISCO Forum** is intended to highlight what can and is being done to tackle littering with special emphasis on behavioural change. It will enable to share latest technical developments, scientific and sociological understanding and consider how to develop best practice.

The National fora on Marine Litter are held in 12 European countries in 2014 to enable discussion on the issues and solutions in the individual countries. The first forum was run in Ireland (Dublin) and you can read a preliminary report here:

[http://www.marlisco.eu/National\\_Fora\\_Outcomes.ga.html](http://www.marlisco.eu/National_Fora_Outcomes.ga.html)

The UK MARLISCO Forum aims to emphasise the positive roles of UK stakeholders in addressing this wide-ranging problem (more information at [marlisco-uk@cefass.co.uk](mailto:marlisco-uk@cefass.co.uk)).

**The overarching goal of the MARLISCO project** is to raise public awareness, facilitate dialogue and promote co-responsibility among the different actors towards a joint vision for the sustainable management of marine litter across all European seas.

MARLISCO activities take place in the four European Regional Seas: North-East Atlantic, Baltic, Mediterranean and Black Sea, by a consortium with members located in 15 coastal countries.

By developing innovative mechanisms and tools, MARLISCO aims to effectively engage, and inform society, reaching the widest possible audience. Its activities include:

- A scoping study reviewing the understanding on sources and trends of marine litter in Regional Seas, monitoring and assessment methods, and existing policies .
- A collection of best practices from all partner countries.
- A survey on the prevailing perceptions and attitudes of different stakeholders regarding marine litter.
- A European video contest for youngsters to collect their visions on the issue of marine litter and empower them as agents of change in society.
- National debates/ forums in 12 partner countries for stakeholders to discuss solutions.
- Diversified, tailor-made national activities including exhibitions, workshops, festivals, clean ups, .
- Educational material and courses.

**Project Outputs** are available to download at <http://www.marlisco.eu/results.en.html>

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