

SOPHIE WEBINAR

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Today's online audience of over 200 participants is much bigger than we could have hosted in Brussels.
Thank you all for being here today.

marine Diversity, biotechnology and medicine

Chat Questions:

What about the inclusion and integration of local and indigenous knowledge and practices that already acknowledge 'the sea as medicine'? These voices are often consistently marginalized and excluded from decision-making and policies.

How can we talk about sustainable sea food when most parts of our oceans are already overfished?

if I could cure cancer, would you still not care if I disappear?



Sustainable Seafood and Healthy People



Prof. Katja Philippart
Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ)

- We need 2 things:
- A more targeted approach that would benefit biotechnology
 - To protect biodiversity.

2/3 of marine species are still undiscovered!



Prof. Sam Dupont
University of Göteborg

"we need to keep the Ocean healthy, and it will keep us healthy too."

What would be the next step to take SRA forward?
How can findings integrate into existing policies and projects?

Who should be informed about the SRA?



Prof. Michael Depledge
University of Exeter

How can we benefit from our interaction with the coast without doing too much damage to it?

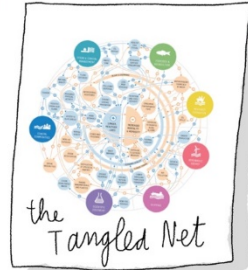
In this international multi-partner initiative, we designed a research road map.

Interdisciplinary research shows us: where are the major research gaps?

THE ULTIMATE AIM IS TO BUILD OCEANS AND HUMAN HEALTH CAPACITY AND LEGACY.

Blue Spaces, Tourism and Wellbeing
Blue spaces improve physical and mental health.

The population is rising, and there is a pressure on food security.



On one side of the coin are people. Their food should be healthy, nutritious, safe, and accessible for all.
On the other side are the people that harvest the product. Their work should also be safe and sustainable.

What does Oceans and Human Health mean to you?



your art, photo or poem on social media

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Read the SRA online:
≈ www.sophie2020.eu/SRA ≈
It will help you get the word out!

Welcome to this soft launch of the strategic agenda for oceans' and human health in Europe. I hope that all of you and your families are safe. And if there's any silver lining to this terrible pandemic, it's the fact that it really highlights how environment and human health are inextricably linked.



Prof. Lora Fleming
University of Exeter

let's untangle this net, and creatively move forward!



Seas, Oceans & Public Health in Europe
Linking oceans and health research



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