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## The marine dimension of the Nature Restoration Law

Hosted by MEP **Pierre Karleskind** and MEP **Catherine Chabaud**

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With the [proposal for a regulation on nature restoration](#), the European Commission sets binding targets to restore degraded ecosystems, habitats and species across the EU's land and sea areas, aiming at a sustained recovery of biodiversity and resilient nature.

With the support of [European Marine Board's](#) working group results on marine habitat mapping, **MEP Pierre Karleskind**, Vice-Chair of the SEARICA Intergroup for Marine and Maritime Research, and **MEP Catherine Chabaud**, Vice-Chair of the SEARICA Intergroup for Climate and Governance, invite you to debate on the main challenges and opportunities arising from the EU action to protect and restore marine habitats and their ecosystems before the expected vote of the Nature Restoration Law in plenary. Existing good practice of policies and initiatives implemented by maritime regional authorities will also be showcased.

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## AGENDA

### Opening remarks:

- MEP **Pierre Karleskind**, Vice-Chair of the SEArca Intergroup for Marine and Maritime Research
- MEP **Catherine Chabaud**, Vice-Chair of the SEArca Intergroup for Climate and Governance

### Stopping loss of marine biodiversity and restoring maritime ecosystems and habitats: what are the stakes in the context of the Nature Restoration Law?

*Panel Discussion hosted by MEP **Pierre Karleskind**, Vice-Chair of the SEArca Intergroup in charge of Marine and Maritime Research*

- **Keynote speech by Prof. Simonetta Fraschetti**, Chair of the Marine Habitat Mapping group, European Marine Board
- MEP **Caroline Roose**, SEArca Member, Rapporteur for opinion on the Proposal for a regulation on nature restoration (PECH)
- **Reactions by**
  - **Tatiana Nuño**, Senior Marine Policy Officer, Seas At Risk
  - **Paul Thomas**, Policy Officer, the European Association of Fish Producers Organisations

### *Debate with the panel and participants*

### Concluding remarks

- MEP **César Luena**, SEArca Member, Rapporteur on the Proposal for a regulation on nature restoration (ENVI)
- MEP **Pierre Karleskind**, Vice-Chair of the SEArca Intergroup for Marine and Maritime Research

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