# The ACCOBAMS Call for proposals

A tool to support concrete conservation actions for cetaceans in the Mediterranean and Black Sea

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### **Context and objectives**

Parties to ACCOBAMS established the Supplementary The Conservation Fund (SCF) based on voluntary contributions to increase the funds available for monitoring, research, training and projects relating to the conservation of cetaceans.

- to catalyse the development and implementation of concerted or cooperative actions:
- to support applied conservation projects;
- to provide seed money to initiate long-term projects that have a multiplying impact well beyond the funding period;
- to assist in developing capacities and raising awareness on the conservation and management needs of cetaceans and their habitats.











#### Presentation

- Governmental Institutions and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) may submit proposals
- Eligible for funding: only projects submitted from low and middle income countries (as classified by the World Bank) Parties to ACCOBAMS
- Maximum duration of the project: 2 years
- SCF grants: 15,000 Euros maximum
- Favor Projects demonstrating available co-funding provided by the applicants themselves of from another sources
- Partnership and collaboration with Governmental Institutions and NGOs from other Parties to ACCOBAMS is encouraged
- Project proposals can be submitted in English or in French











#### **Presentation**

3 calls for proposals launched since 2011

10 projects supported in 6 countries of the Mediterranean and

**Black Sea** 

**National stranding** networks

Studies on cetaceans populations

Interactions with fisheries

**Photo-id** 



Capacity building

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#### Added value

 Supports concrete actions of motivated persons in countries where little funding allocated to cetaceans conservation



 Involves new stakeholders in ACCOBAMS and strengthens the community of ACCOBAMS Partners













## **Challenges**

 Improving dissemination of results and best practices at both national and ACCOBAMS level

 Securing funds through voluntary contributions to ensure at least one call per triennium









# Thank you - Merci

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