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marinas en la Macaronesia

# *Blue Growth in the Macaronesia*

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# EU Blue Growth Strategy

Support sustainable growth in the marine and maritime sectors as a whole.

It is the maritime contribution to achieving the goals of the **Europe 2020 strategy** for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

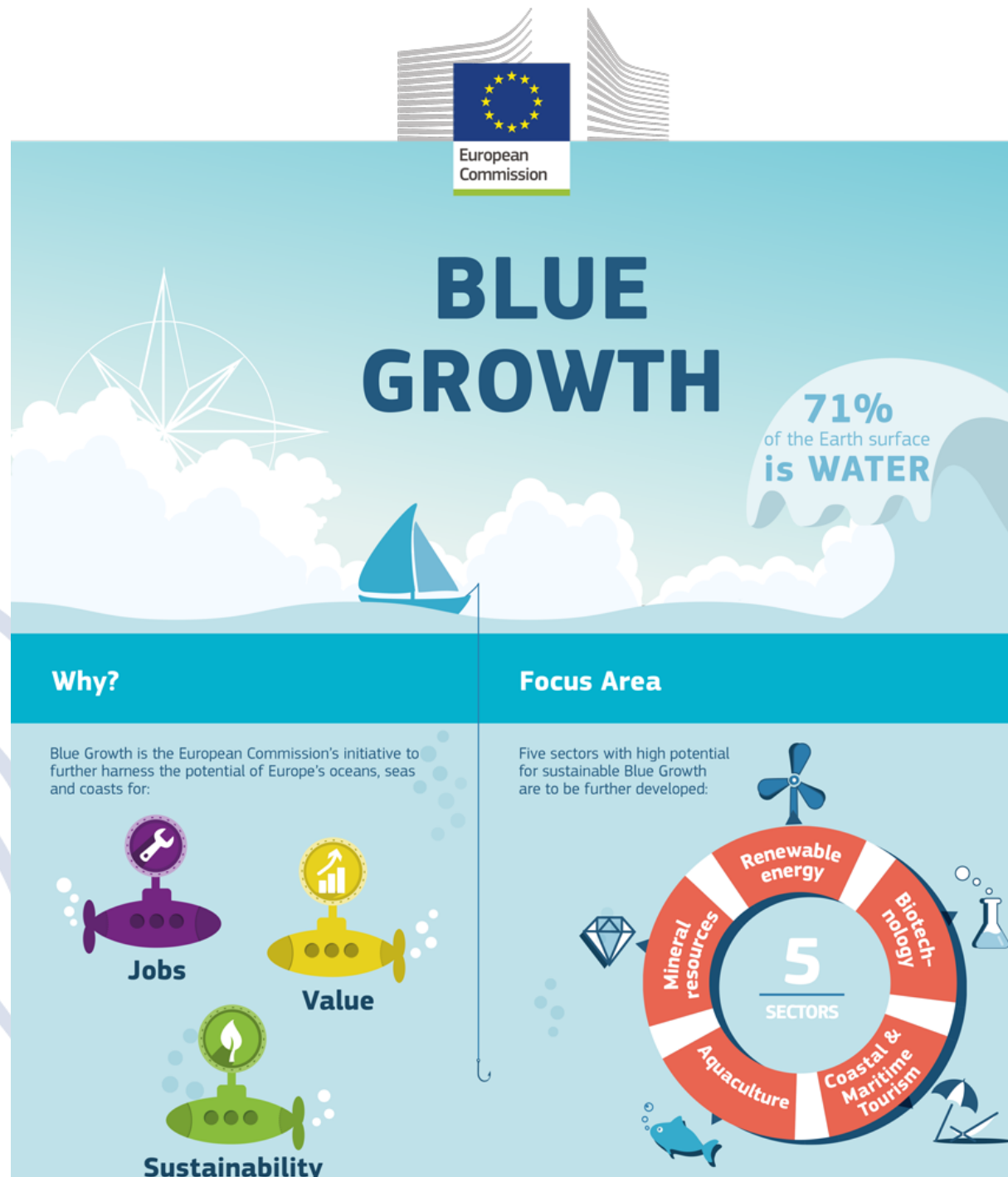
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The EU 'Blue' Economy represents roughly **5.4 million jobs** and generates GVA of almost **€500 billion/year**.

However, further growth is possible in a number of areas which are highlighted within the strategy.



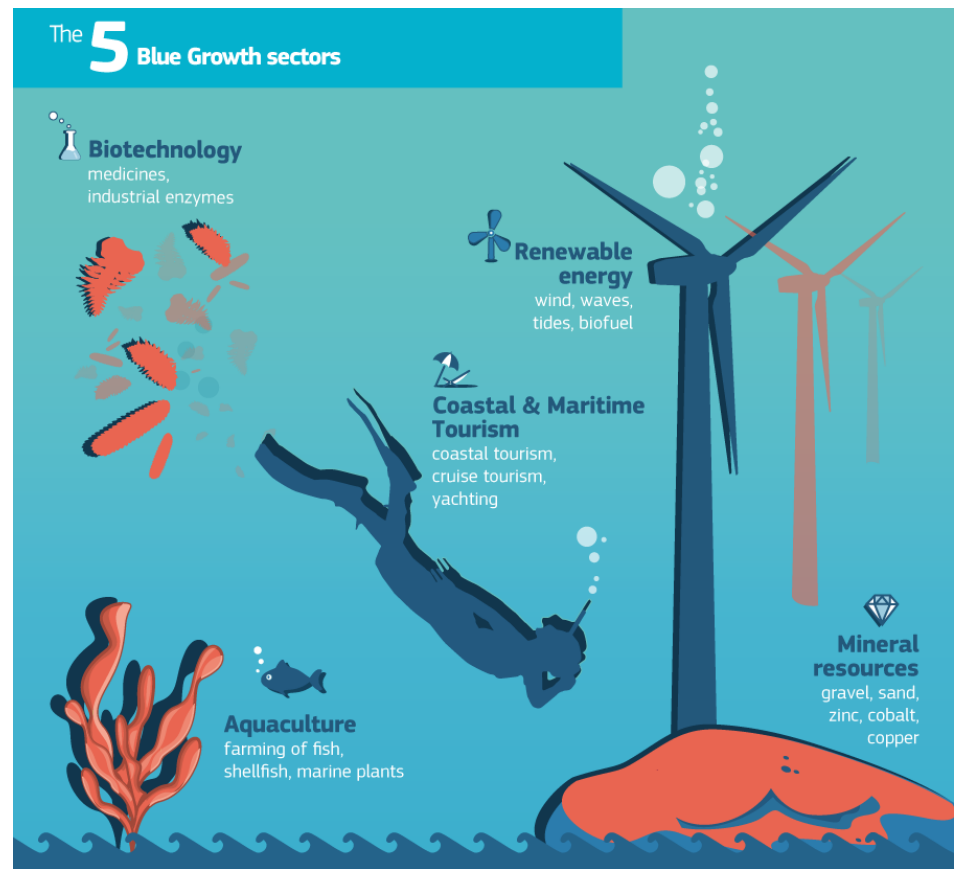
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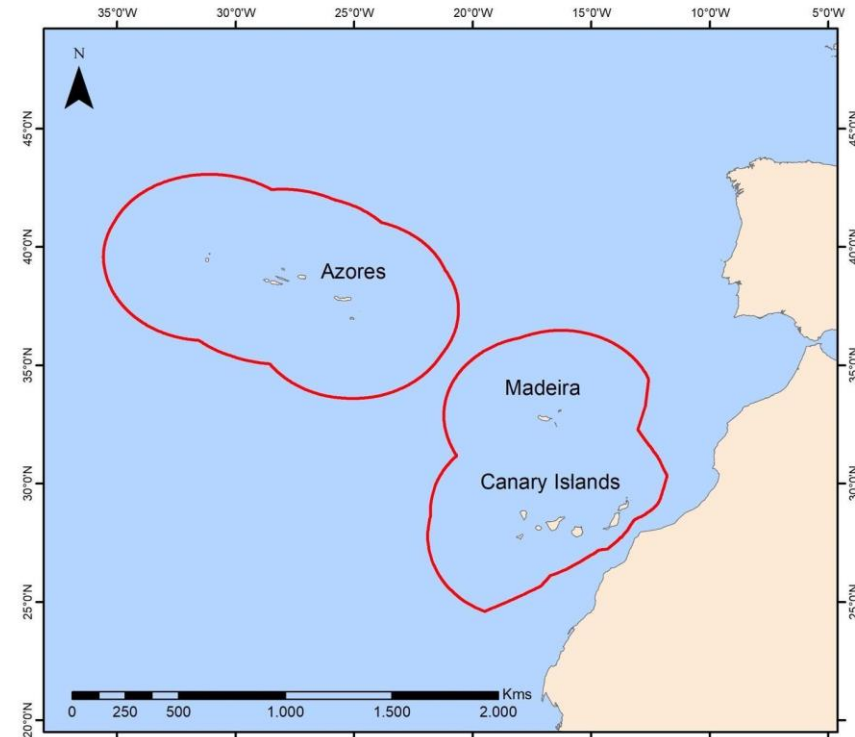


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# EU Macaronesian Region

- different land and maritime surface areas,
- many common biogeographical characteristics (small, isolated, volcanic origin),
- high biodiversity areas (one of Europe's most important biodiversity hotspots),
- different population size and economy (:unequal distribution of population density, economic development and pressures on the corresponding terrestrial and marine ecosystems).



Map: European archipelagos in the Macaronesian Region, located in the Central East Atlantic. — limit of the Marine Waters where the MSFD is of application. Source: <https://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/>

Table: Descriptive geographic and social data of the European Macaronesian archipelagos.

	AZORES	MADEIRA	CANARIES
<b>Number of islands</b>	9	7	7
<b>Land area, km<sup>2</sup></b>	2322	802	7447
<b>EEZ size, km<sup>2</sup></b>	930687	442248	462 855
<b>Population (2017)</b>	243 862	254 368	2 164 300
<b>GDP (2017) million €</b>	4.067	4.353	44.206

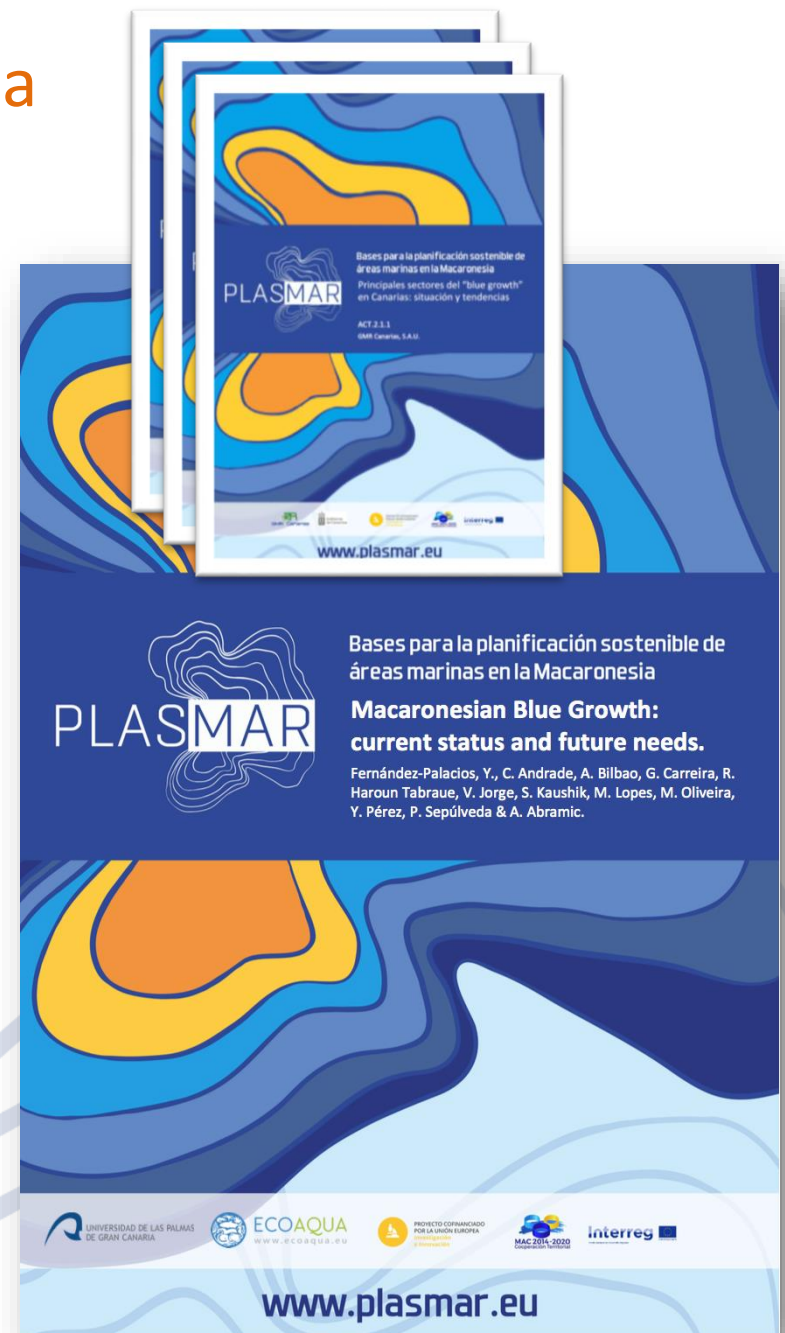


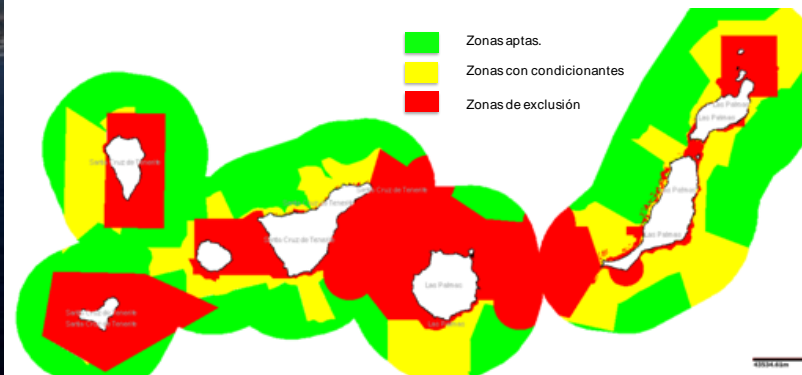
# Blue Economy in the Macaronesia

**PLASMAR** analysed for the first time the **situation** and **trends** of BE sectors in the Region:

- Trends in Employment, GDP-GVA, production, etc.
- Policies, instruments or initiatives.
- Available prospects.

ANALYSED SECTORS	CNAE code
Aquaculture	✓
Blue biotechnology	X
Renewable ocean energy	X
Deep-sea mining	X
Coastal & maritime tourism	!
Fisheries	✓
Maritime transport	✓
Shipbuilding & shipgear	!
Offshore oil & gas	X
Desalination	X







# State and prospects

ANALYZED SECTORS	EU State (EC, 2018)	World Prospects (OECD, 2016)	AZORES		MADEIRA		CANARIES	
			State	Prospects	State	Prospects	State	Prospects
1 Fisheries	✓	→	✓	→	✓	→	✓	→
2 Aquaculture	✓	↑	✓	⚙️	✓	↑	✓	↑
3 Blue biotechnology	✓	⚙️	✓	⚙️	✓	⚙️	✓	⚙️
4 Coastal & maritime tourism (seatrips, cruises)	✓	↑	✓	↑	✓	↑	✓	↑
5 Maritime transport	✓	↑	✓	↑	✓	↑	✓	↑
6 Ship repair and maintenance	✓	↑	✓	→	✗	✗	✓	↑
7 Extraction of aggregates	NA		✓	→	✓	→	✗	?
8 Deep-sea mining	✓	⚙️	✗	?	✗	✗	✗	?
9 Offshore oil & gas	✓	→	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
10 Renewable ocean energy	✓	⚙️	✗	✗	✓	?	✓	⚙️
11 Desalination	✓	↑	✗	✗	✓	→	✓	→

## Legend:

### State (EU, 2018):

- ✗ Non-existent
- ✓ Emerging
- ✓ Established

### Prospects (OECD, 2018):

- ✗ No development
- ⚙️ Significant long-term potential but not yet at commercial scale
- Stable
- Modest business and employment growth
- ↑ High long-term growth of business and employment

- ☐ Main established sectors
- ☐ Main emerging sectors

(Table under revision)

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