

# MULTIFRAME

## Webinar report

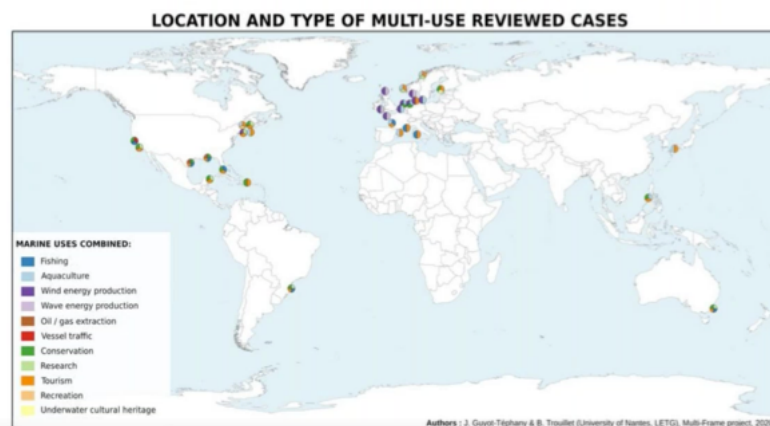
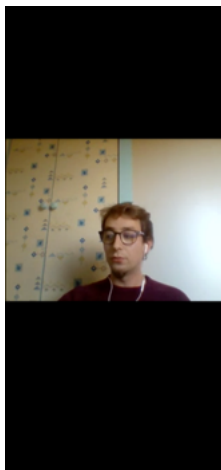
How is ocean multi-use understood and defined worldwide?

Friday, 4 December 2020 at 2PM CET (Berlin time)

Online via GoToWebinar

*The main objective of this first webinar was to present the MULTI-FRAME project to its Advisory Board and stakeholders, as well as to raise awareness about the topic of ocean multi-use. The webinar was attended by 73 participants from 24 different countries. Participants had the opportunity to hear about 4 real-life multi-use cases from across the world and join the Q&A discussion via the SLI.DO system.*

As coordinator of the project, [Ivana Lukic](#), from [s.Pro – sustainable projects](#), introduced the webinar with a brief presentation of the MULTI-FRAME project, and its partners. All participants were also invited to join the **Ocean Multi-Use Knowledge Network**, a collaborative platform for the exchange of results and information between different multi-use projects, relevant industry actors and policy players. Interested in the Multi-Use Knowledge Network? Express your interest to join [here!](#)



**Some of the first results of the MULTI-FRAME baseline investigation** on ‘defining and reviewing ocean multi-use globally’ were presented by [Josselin Guyot-Téphany](#), post-doc at the [University of Nantes](#). Josselin pointed out that most of the research and cases on multi-use are so far carried out in the US and the EU.

During the comfort break, attendees had an opportunity to see a short movie about the offshore wind and tourism multi-use in Denmark. See the movie [here](#).



The next session, moderated by [Jennifer McCann from the University of Rhode Island](#), focused on key challenges and enabling factors of different ocean use combinations. **MULTI-FRAME invited four speakers** to present and discuss concrete multi-use cases curated from across the globe:

### 1) Ben Haskel from the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary - UNITED STATES

The [‘whale watching’ case](#) focused on ecotourism combining conservation, research and tourism at the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary. Combining these activities in a sustainable way provides multiple opportunities, including the monitoring of whale numbers, and identification of individuals. Nevertheless, Ben stressed the importance of assessing trade-offs when considering inclusion of other activities within the sanctuary.

### 2) Eline van Onselen from The Rich North Sea Program - NETHERLANDS

The presentation focused on the [intersection between offshore wind energy and nature restoration](#), presenting a rare multi-use combination that is being increasingly considered by the offshore wind industry and as being strongly encouraged by a national government in the Netherlands. Namely, in the Netherlands, new offshore wind farms have to consider nature and include nature restoration initiatives within their project.

### 3) Hans Chr Soersen from the offshore wind cooperative SPOK - DENMARK

The combination of offshore energy and tourism through [boat tours to the Middelgrunden wind farm](#) in Denmark shows that this multi-use combination is promising, provided that legal, safety and insurance rules are addressed and guaranteed for this unique tourism activity. Inclusion of offshore wind farms in the tourism offers can contribute to the diversification of tourism, prolonged tourism season, more local socio-economic benefits, and better acceptance of new offshore wind farm projects by the local communities. It is important to note that the Middelgrunden wind farm is partially owned by the local cooperative which has eased the development of this multi-use.

### 4) Elodie Etchegaray from the Atlantic Great Littoral Association - FRANCE

The [‘pescatourism’ case](#) shed the light on the strong synergies between tourism and fishing in the Bay of Arcachon, France. Elodie Etchegaray stressed the importance of considering the seasonal factor in the concept of multi-use, which leads fishermen to diversify their activity and income where their activity is declining (fishing tours, tasting, etc).



The screenshot shows a Slido video conference interface. At the top, there is a row of five video thumbnails of the speakers: Elodie Etchegaray - AGLIA, Jennifer McCann - University of R..., Ben Haskel - Stellwagen Bank Na..., sPro sustainable projects, and Eline van Onselen - The Rich Nort... Below the thumbnails is a chat window with a QR code on the left and a list of three questions on the right. The questions are from anonymous users and are directed to Eline and Ben. The chat window also includes a 'Join at slido.com' link and the hashtag #MULTI-FRAME.

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Anonymous  
To Eline - why is offshore wind industry interested in nature restoration ? i.e. are they obliged by the government? Are there such examples in other countries? 1 👍

Anonymous  
Ben, are there restrictions to or conflicts with fishing? Any ambitions to develop wind farms around the vicinity? If so, what potential effects on whales? 0 👍

Anonymous  
Ben, can you talk about the forum you use to interact with your resource users to encourage synergies and minimize conflict between uses. Thanks 0 👍

