

# 1st Mission Arena by Blue Mission BANOS

## Projects in the BANOS Region

This document provides an overview of **200 projects** that align with the objectives of the EU Mission “Restore Our Ocean and Waters” across four countries of the 1st Mission Arena by Blue Mission BANOS: **Germany, Denmark, Sweden and Norway**. It is important to acknowledge that for a reason of efficiency, we have refrained from making a detailed analysis (meaning a distinction between North and Baltic Sea for the Germany, Denmark and Sweden or a focus on the South of Norway) but included data for all these four countries.

The overview includes completed and ongoing projects initiated in the period between 2011 and 2023. The project data was sourced from online platforms CORDIS and Keep.eu, as well as individual stakeholder websites and reports. Please keep in mind that this overview is still not exhaustive – as we need more time and resources to complement it with data from national, regional, or privately funded projects.

### **Your INPUT is highly appreciated!**

Please visit BlueMissionBANOS or SUBMARINER stands during the events of the 1<sup>st</sup> Mission Arena and get your project, your institution and you as individual, registered for:

- Mission Charter, a place to note your engagement in the Mission Ocean;
- WaveLinks, a systematic dashboard of relevant projects;
- BlueBioMatch, an interactive matchmaking platform for individuals engaged in Blue Bio Economy activities implemented in the BANOS region throughout the specified timeframe.

# Projects

**200 Projects  
Overall**

**112 Projects  
Ongoing**

The 200 projects included in the overview were selected based on their relevance to several thematic areas considered crucial for the advancement of the Mission Ocean in the BANOS region (see Figure 1). The projects addressed these thematic areas 333 times; with some projects being counted under two or more themes. The currently low project numbers shown especially in shipping is from our understanding still more a matter of the selection of programme sources. We expect these figures to go up substantially, once we get a more exhaustive overview.

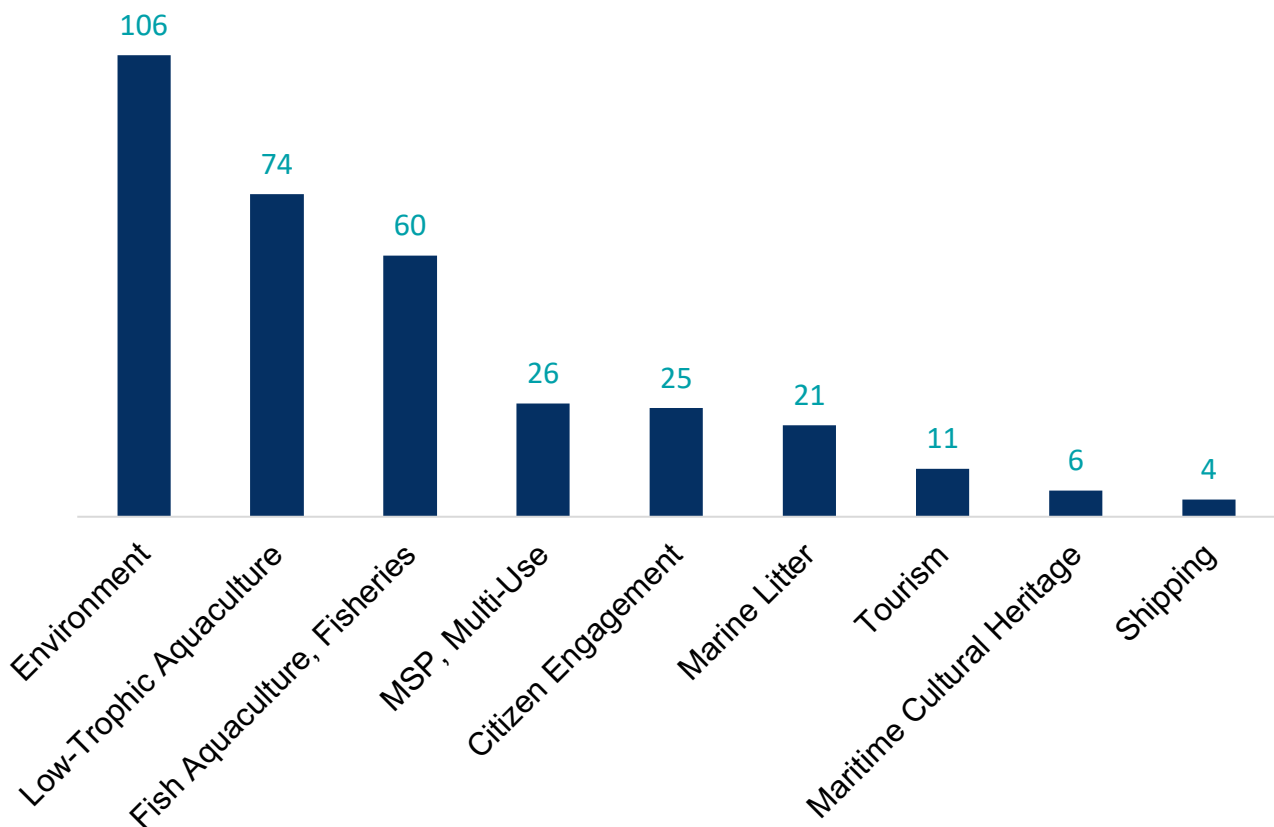


Figure 1. Number of projects by thematic areas.

# Budgets

**1.2 Billion EUR  
Overall**

**937 Million EUR  
Currently in Use**

The 200 projects included in this overview were supported by EU funding programmes, such as Horizon 2020, Horizon Europe and Interreg, as well other funding opportunities provided by various institutions from the BANOS region, such as the Research Council of Norway and the Swedish Institute (see Figure 2).

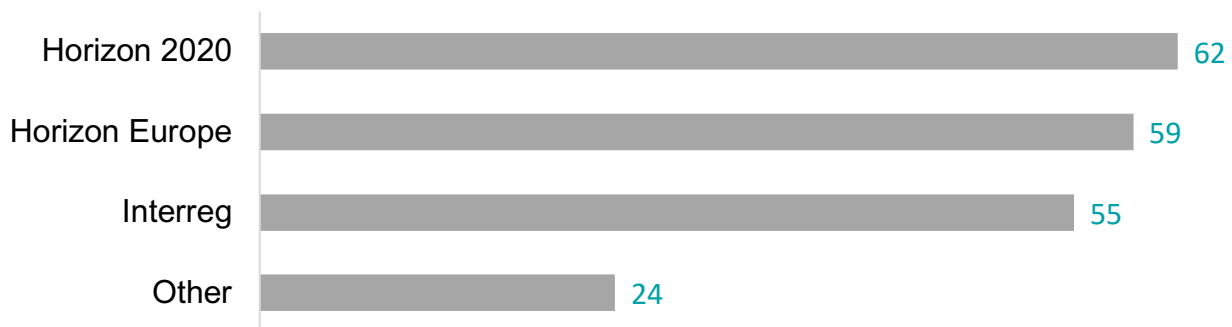


Figure 2. Number of projects by funding programmes.

Overall, the funding programmes have contributed more than 1.2 billion euros to the 200 projects in this review (see Figure 3). Some EU programmes, and especially many national and regional funding programmes, are not reflected in these figures, which means that the total budget is expected to be even higher.

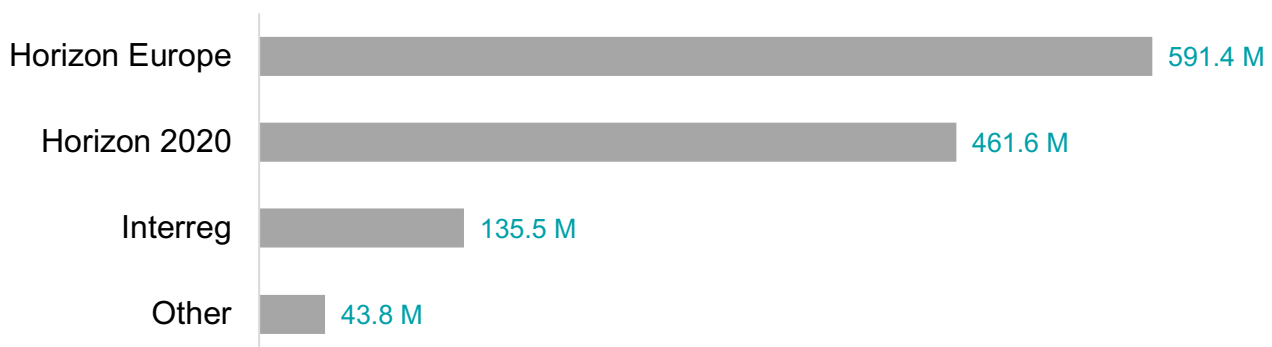


Figure 3. Total budget by funding programmes.

# Budgets

Figure 4 demonstrates distribution of the total budget between the thematic areas mentioned above. Since many projects belong to several thematic areas, the budget of these projects was counted several times (for each thematic area).

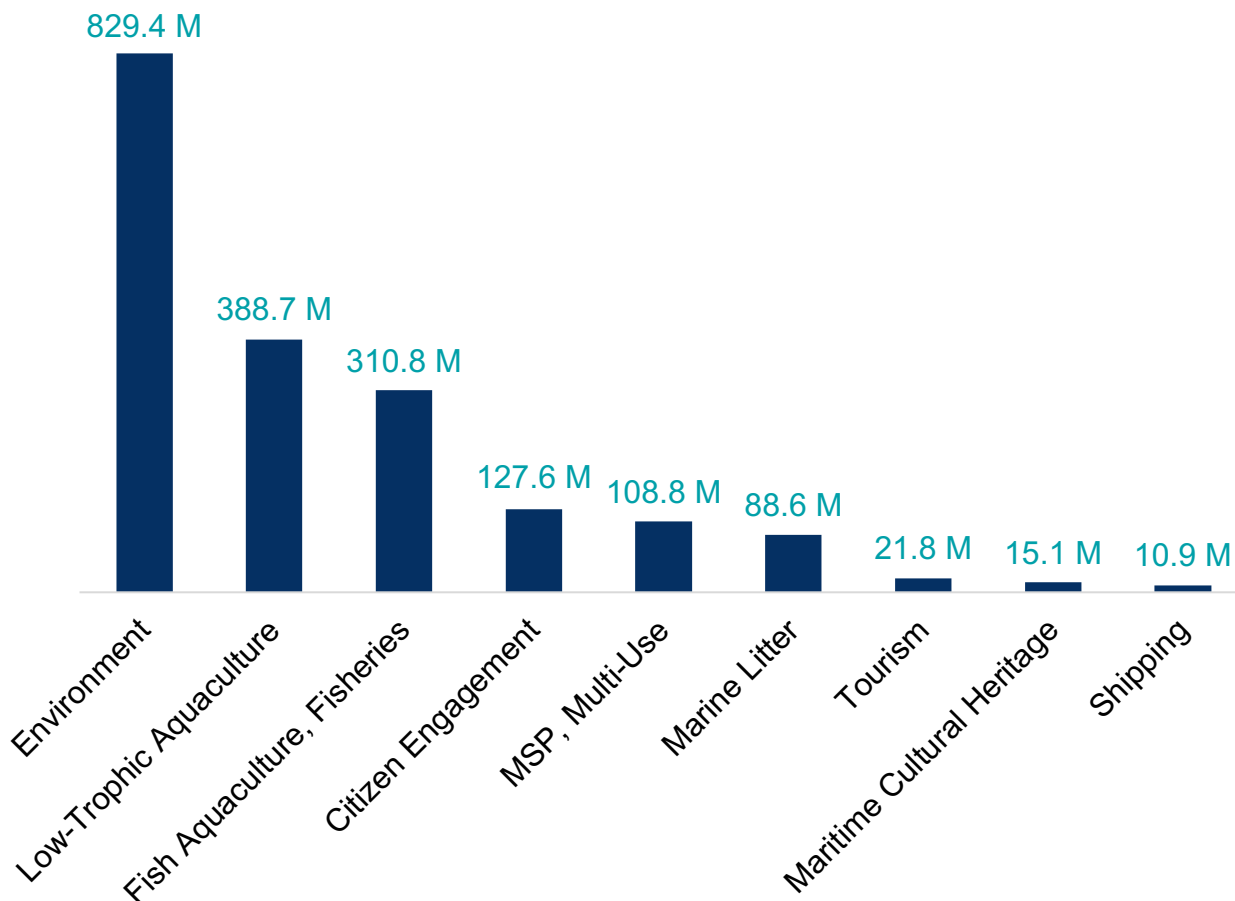


Figure 4. Total budget by thematic areas.

# Actors

**382 Actors  
Overall**

**Denmark** | **Germany**  
**Norway** | **Sweden**

The 200 projects included in this overview involved 382 actors from Denmark, Germany, Norway and Sweden (see Figure 5). These actors represented various types of organizations, such as government institutions, municipalities, research institutions, universities, small and medium-sized enterprises, and non-governmental organizations.

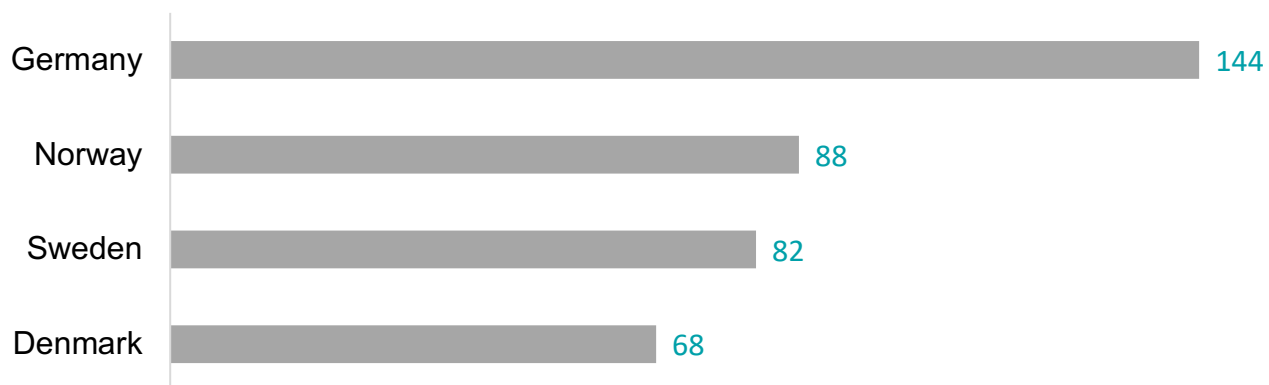


Figure 5. Number of actors by country.

The list of top-3 organisations from each country that participated in more than 10 projects included in this overview:

- Technical University of Denmark (Denmark)
- Aalborg University (Denmark)
- Aarhus University (Denmark)
- SUBMARINER Network for Blue Growth (Germany)
- Alfred Wegener Institute (Germany)
- GEOMAR (Germany)
- SINTEF (Norway)
- Nofima (Norway)
- Norwegian Institute for Water Research (Norway)
- Royal Institute of Technology (Sweden)
- Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management (Sweden)
- Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (Sweden)