Management Plan of Coastal Habitats (Portugal)

Cascais coast, which holds a high biodiversity of flora and fauna, suffers strong anthropogenic pressure. Therefore it is necessary to take some protective measures that lead to environmental sustainability.

The Management Plan of Coastal Habitats is intended to be a technical instrument that allows characterizing and defining action plans that lead to environmental improvement of the coastline.

This plan aims to restore the natural conditions of the coast. One of the points monitored is the accumulation of waste on the municipality's coast. The sites identified with accumulation of waste are cleaned.

The Plan is being developed in five phases:

1. Definition and characterization of Management and Territorial Units - It is still in characterization and is a work that probably will be finished in 2014;

2. Definition of an Action Plan - It was established for the territorial units that were already characterized;

3. Definition of Operational Plan - It was established for the Territorial Units that were already characterized;

4. Implementation of actions in priority Territorial Units

5. Monitoring - Held annually only in Territorial Units already intervened.

In the implementation phase of the Operational Plan there will be an interaction with the youth volunteer programmes promoted by Municipality of Cascais such as Natura Viva and Maré Viva Program.

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