

Monitoring marine litter in Brittany (France)

Considering the provisions of the OSPAR Convention (OSPAR stands for Oslo – Paris) and taking into account the Marine Strategy Framework Directive, which states that litter is considered a pollution indicator, Surfrider Foundation Europe's Finistère and Brittany chapters organize monthly litter clean-ups on Porsmillin beach in Brittany.

The clean-ups are carried out in accordance with the OSPAR protocol for sorting and identifying litter and the Surfrider Foundation chapter is therefore an official observer. This marine litter quantifying operation, with duration of 3 years, will enable the identification of the type of collected waste and will facilitate the build-up of a scientifically valid and significant database.

Facts

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| Place / Location | France |
| Commencement Date | 2011 |
| Duration | 3 years |
| Theme | Mitigation |
| Type of Initiative | Practice/ Activity/ Action |
| Initiated by | Surfrider Foundation Europe, Brittany chapter |
| Involved Stakeholders | Surfrider Foundation Europe, Finistère chapter, CEDRE, Parc Naturel Marin d'Iroise |
| Funding/Financial Support | Yes (municipality funds) |
| Success Rate | Somewhat successful |
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