

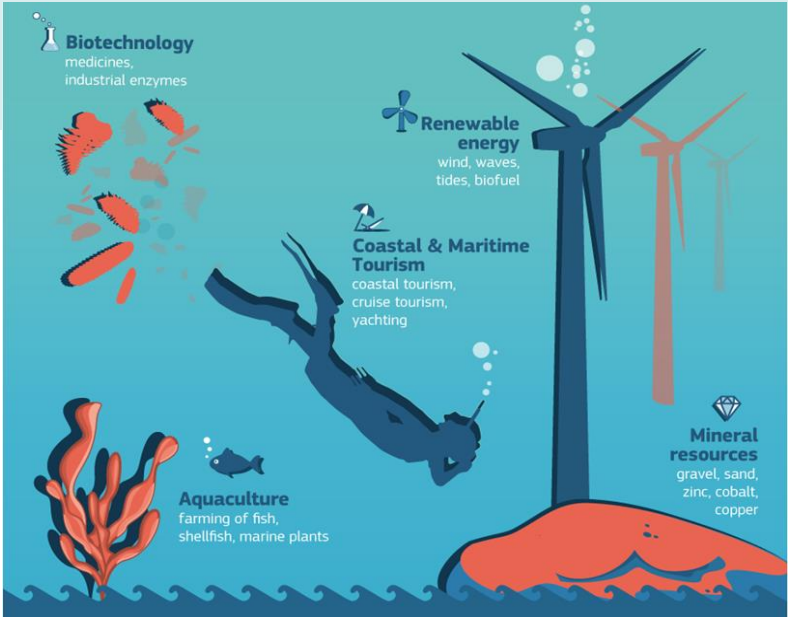
# Atlantic Strategy and Action Plan



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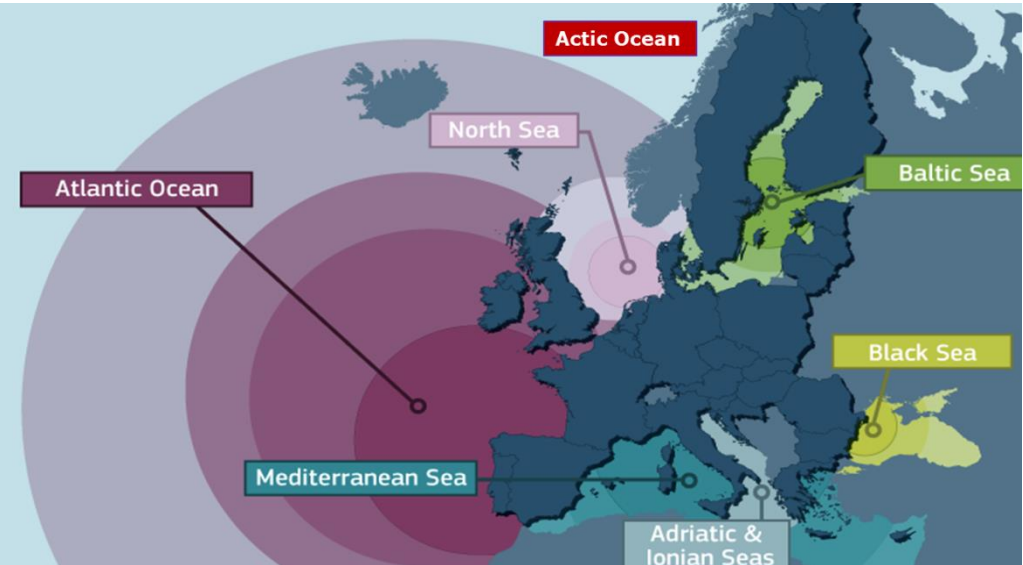
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# Blue Growth Five focus sectors



# Integrated Maritime Policy

## Sea Basin Strategies



## Enabling policies



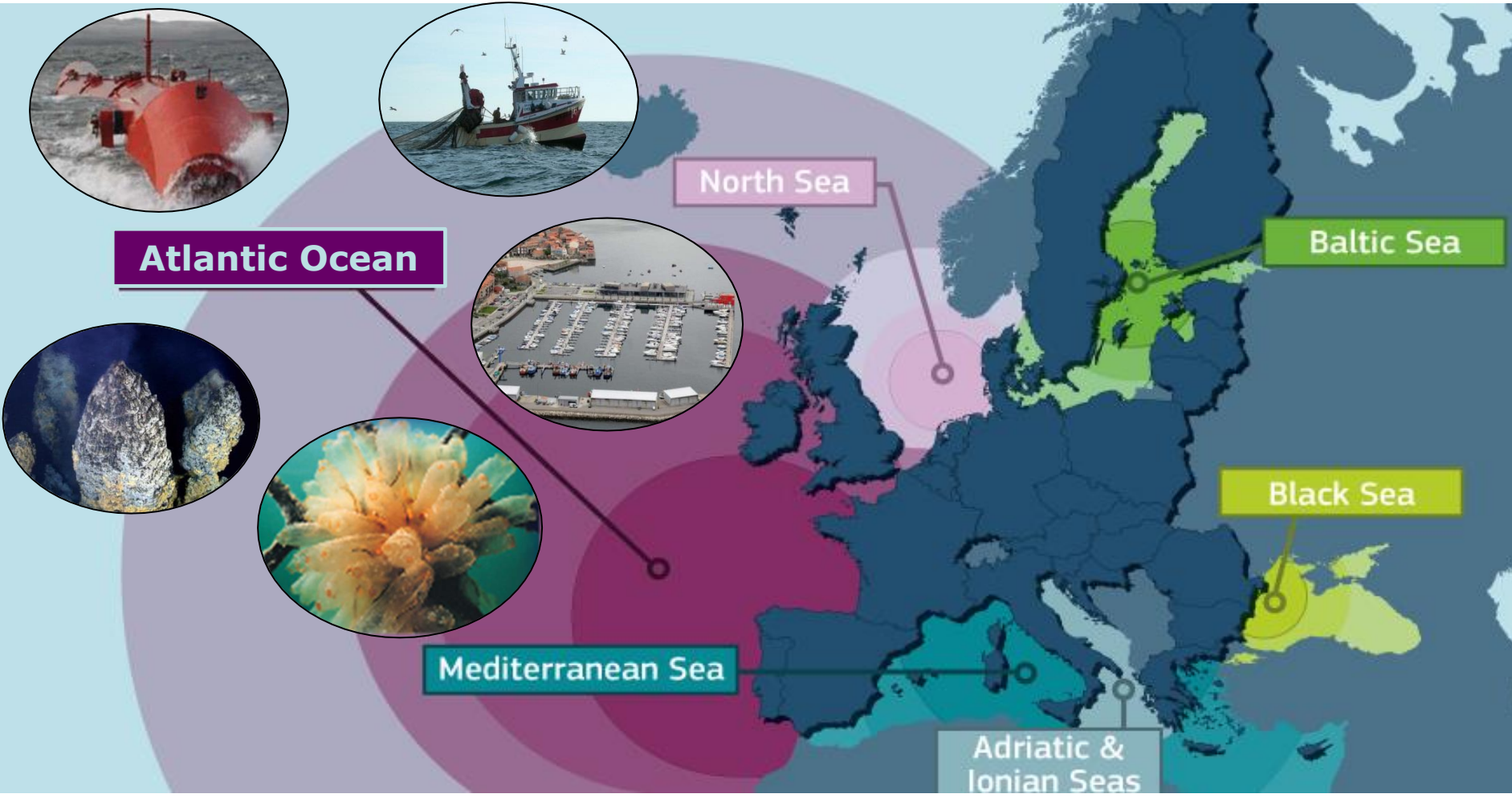
## International cooperation



# Sea basin approach



# Atlantic Ocean



# The Atlantic Strategy

What is it about?

Atlantic Strategy

November 2011

Atlantic Forum

Atlantic Action Plan

May 2013



# Atlantic

# Action Plan

## Objectives

- **Smart, sustainable growth and employment**
- **Enhance cooperation in the Atlantic**

## Key priorities

### Priority 1:

**Promote  
entrepreneur  
ship and  
innovation**

### Priority 2:

**Protection of  
the marine  
and coastal  
environment**

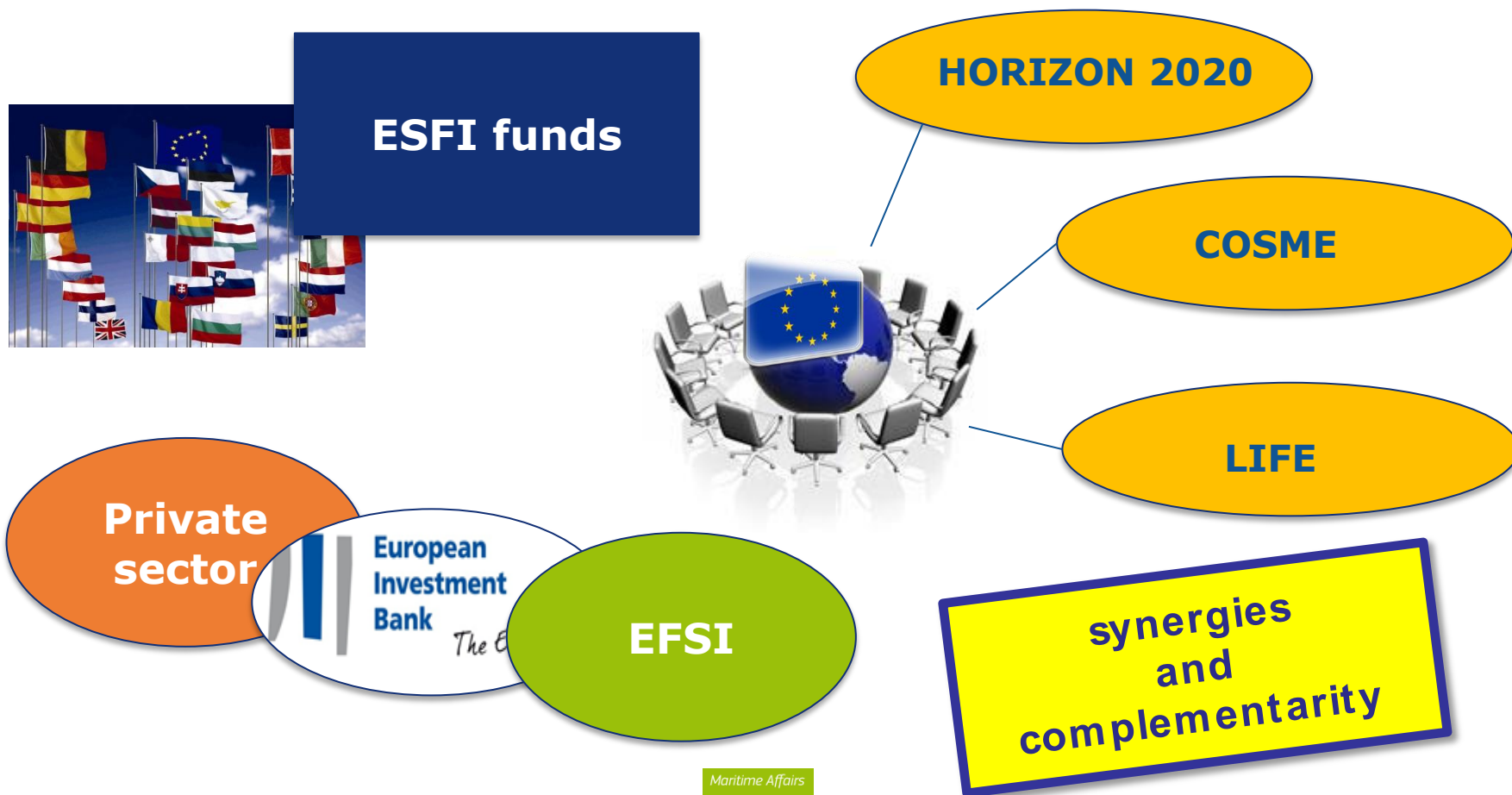
### Priority 3:

**Improve  
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and  
connectivity**

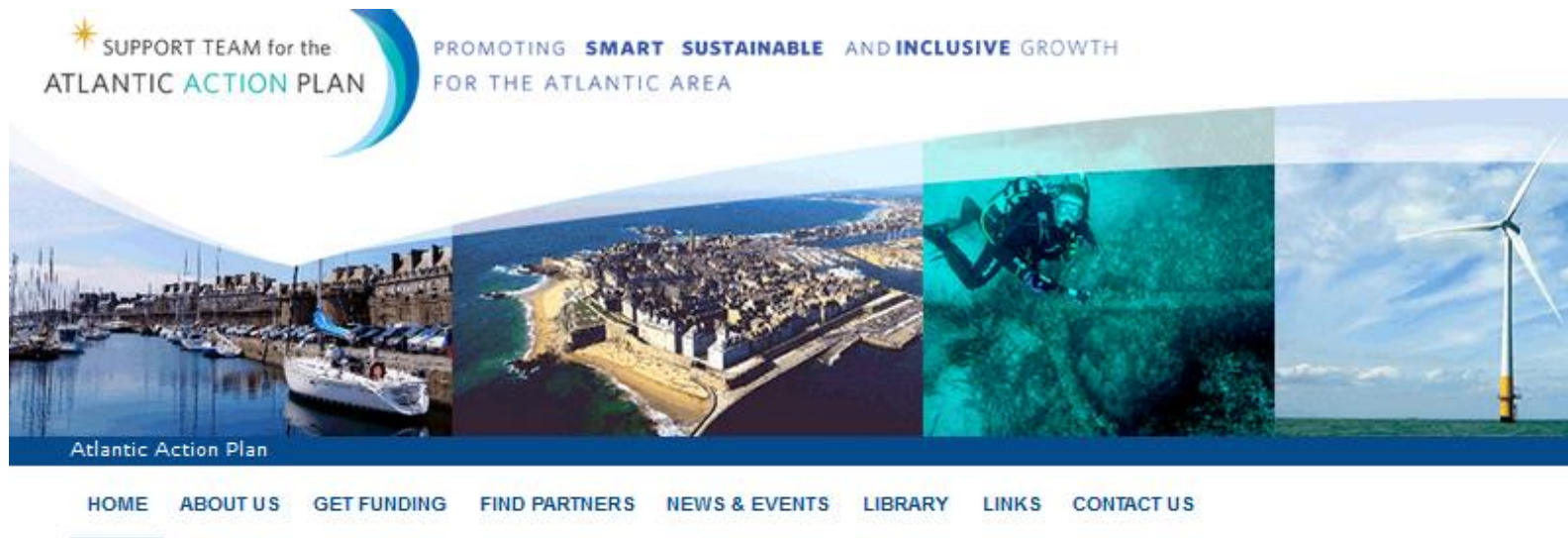
### Priority 4:

**Promote the  
regional  
development**

# Implementation – Funding channels



# Support team



- **Coordination team in Brussels (KQ)**
- **Five focal points (FR, ES, IE, UK, PT)**
- **Website: [www.atlanticstrategy.eu](http://www.atlanticstrategy.eu)**

# Atlantic Stakeholder Platform

## Annual conference

- 20 january 2015 , Porto (PT)
- Next: 29 october 2015, Brest (FR)



# Transatlantic Ocean Research Alliance

- Launched in May 2013 (Galway Statement) under Irish Presidency with Commissioners Geoghegan-Quinn & Damanaki
- Goal: To better understand the Atlantic Ocean and to promote the sustainable management of its resources. The work will also study the interplay of the Atlantic Ocean with the Arctic Ocean, particularly with regards to climate change
- In HORIZON 2020 WP 2014-2015: Several topics, are identified as relevant for the Galway Statement





# Thank you!

More information:

[http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/policy/sea\\_basins/atlantic\\_ocean/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/policy/sea_basins/atlantic_ocean/index_en.htm)