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Abstract

Azores to study deep-water sharks

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This talk will present a brief overview on recent progresses made under several EU projects carried out in **the Azores to study deep-water sharks**, learn more about these data-poor species while searching ways to mitigate their bycatch. Noteworthy, this research was carried out in close collaboration with fishers and managers, in the intend to find the best compromise between conservation and exploitation, by identifying efficient, practical and cost-effective measures to mitigate bycatch while maintaining fisheries productivity. At the forefront of deep-sea research, applied and participative, they contributed all at once to advance scientific knowledge on data-poor deep-water sharks and their bycatch, to increase deep-sea fisheries selectivity and sustainability (UN Goal 12- Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns), and to the conservation of vulnerable deep-sea species and ecosystems (UN Goal 14 - Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development).

