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# Katrina Abhold

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Katrina Abhold joined Ecologic Institute as a Transatlantic Fellow in 2014 and wasis now a Researcher and Co-coordinator of the Coastal and Marine Team until 2019. Her research interests included socio-economic environmental issues, behavioural economics, nature-based solutions, biodiversity, and marine and coastal management. Katrina Abhold is a native English speaker and has a conversational knowledge of French and basic German.

At Ecologic Institute, Katrina Abhold worked as part of the European Topic Centre on Inland, Coastal and Marine Waters [1] (ETC-ICM), which supports the European Environmental Agency [2] (EEA) in its research and assessment of European marine areas. She works on multiple topics, including the economic use of Europe's seas, the sustainable transition of shipping and ports, the assessment of EU ocean governance, as well as developing marine socio-economic indicators. She was also part of the ESPON project INTERPLACE, where she performed a value chain analysis for various maritime activities and assessed their land-sea interactions within select case studies.

In addition, Katrina worked on Arctic issues and contributes to multiple projects, such as the first and second iteration of the WWF Arctic Council Conservation Scorecards [3], which assesses Arctic States' efforts in implementing Arctic Council decisions. She also was the lead author for a thematic paper on Arctic Tourism for the German Environmental Agency (UBA).

Katrina Abhold contributed to the H2020 projects Nature Based Urban Innovation [4](NATURVATION), looking into how the European policy framework and funding mechanisms support the implementation of nature-based solutions; Bridging the Gap for Innovations in Disaster Resilience [5] (BRIGAID), assisting innovators through the

online Market Analysis Framewor [6]k (MAF+) to identify and understand their market and position their innovation; and Co-designing the Assessment of Climate Change Costs [7](COACCH).

Previously, Katrina Abhold has worked on the H2020 project Knowledge, Assessment and Management of Aquatic Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Across EU Policies [8] (AQUACROSS), analysing policies affecting the achievement of EU and international biodiversity objectives as well as contributing towards the establishment of an assessment framework to assess aquatic ecosystems. She also worked on multiple FP7 projects, including Demonstrate Ecosystem Services Enabling Innovation in the Water Sector [9] (DESSIN), New Tools and Policy Options to Improve the Management of Marine Litter [10] (CLEANSEA), and Bottom-Up Climate Adaptation Strategies for a Sustainable Europe [11] (BASE).

Katrina Abhold completed her Master of Science in Ecological Economics in Scotland at the University of Edinburgh, in 2013. Her dissertation focused on the socio-economic rationale for marine conservation and the establishment of Marine Protected Areas within the High Seas, looking specifically at the Sargasso Sea Alliance's report and ecosystem services assessment for the Sargasso Sea. She also holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of California- Los Angeles (UCLA, USA), where she graduated in 2008 cum laude in Economics with a minor in Geography/Environmental Studies.

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