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Citizens of Surf - Ocean Literacy
Observatory



European Pavilion

Digital Ocean

Nice | France
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Bridging the gap between
local knowledge of surf
ecosystems and co-designed
marine citizen science



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2021
2030 United Nations Decade
of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development



ECOP
Early Career
Ocean Professionals

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Emotional Connections

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Knowledge



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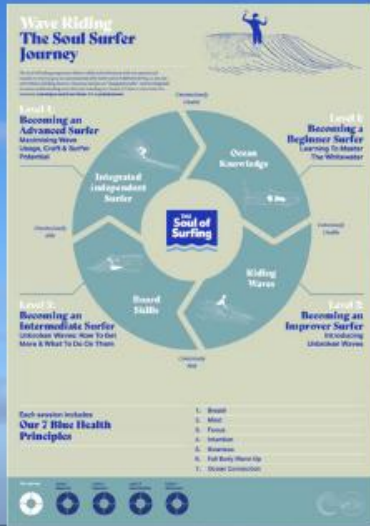
Awareness

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Behaviour



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Attitude

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Genus	Genus
<i>Atherina</i> sp.	Atherina
<i>Belone belone</i>	Belone
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i>	Chelon
<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Dicentrarchus
<i>Chelon</i> sp.	Lipophrys
<i>Lipophrys pholis</i>	Pleuronectes
<i>Dicentrarchus labrax</i>	Sardina
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Scomber
<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Scophthalmus
<i>Scophthalmus maximus</i>	Sprattus



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Activism

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Communication

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Trust and Transparency



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Access and Experience

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Adaptive Capacity



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What's next?

Phase 4: PhD research project - Integrating Living Labs and Citizen Science: Empowering Surfers to Monitor Climate Change in Coastal Ecosystems

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Thank you!

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