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University of Turin.

Dear Members of the Advisory Board,
with this newsletter we would like to share a
final update with you and, above all, **extend
our greetings at the conclusion of the LIFE
Conceptu Maris project.**

9 January 2026 marks the formal end of the
project, following four years of intensive work
and international collaboration dedicated to
the conservation of **cetaceans and marine
turtles in the Mediterranean Sea.**



LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD

The conclusion of LIFE Conceptu Maris naturally carries a sense of nostalgia: years spent at sea, data collection, scientific exchange and meetings that helped build a community of shared expertise and vision.



At the same time, this is a moment of **synthesis and renewal**. The results achieved do not end with the project itself; rather, they provide a **solid foundation** on which to continue developing research, conservation and public engagement activities.

FINAL MATERIALS AND PROJECT RESULTS

To facilitate access, dissemination and use of the results produced, we would like to highlight the main final materials available online:



Layman's Report: an accessible overview of the project's main results.



Final deliverables, technical documents and scientific reports: in-depth methodological and scientific materials documenting the work carried out and the results achieved.



Project documentary and scientific video: a visual account of the activities at sea, the people involved and the stories collected along the monitoring routes.

These materials represent a key part of the project's legacy and will remain available beyond its formal conclusion.

FINAL PROJECT EVENTS 25 AND 26 NOVEMBER 2025

In November 2025, the final events of LIFE Conceptu Maris took place, providing opportunities for discussion and for sharing project results at different levels.

For those who wish to revisit the content presented, the event programme and recordings are available:



[**Events agenda**](#)



[**25 November 2025: video of the event**](#)



[**26 November 2025: video of the event**](#)



CONTINUITY OF CITIZEN SCIENCE ACTIVITIES



Despite the official conclusion of LIFE Conceptu Maris, **some citizen science activities will continue throughout 2026**. Several monitoring routes will remain active and will continue to offer opportunities for volunteer participation.

An updated overview of the operational routes will be published by the end of January, together with updated application forms.

YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE PROJECT AND ITS EVENTS

As part of the project's final phase, your perspective remains extremely valuable to us.

We therefore kindly invite you to complete a **short feedback questionnaire**, aimed at collecting insights from participants who attended LIFE Conceptu Maris events, including webinars, Advisory Board meetings and networking sessions.

The questionnaire will help us:

- assess the project's scientific, policy and long-term impacts, and
- inform and guide the implementation of the After-LIFE Plan.

[Feedback questionnaire](#)



A sincere thank you!

We would like to express our **sincere gratitude** to all of you for your contribution, dialogue and support throughout these years.

The role of the Advisory Board has been fundamental in providing scientific robustness and strategic vision to the project.

Although LIFE Conceptu Maris formally comes to an end, **the relationships, expertise and results built together will continue to generate value.**

The sea still has many stories to tell, and some of them carry your contribution.

With kind regards,
The LIFE Conceptu Maris team



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