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**3R FISH** is a project co-financed by the **LIFE +** European programme, framed in the Environment policy and governance 2007 component, to be implemented in the 2009-2011 period.

Its **main objective** is improving seawater and seabed quality, through the proper use and recycling of the gears and equipment used in the fishing industry, in order to make fishing more integrated in and respectful of the marine environment, whose good state is an essential requisite for the wellbeing of the industry. With an adequate management of the waste generated by fishing and port activities their environmental impact would be reduced, thus contributing to promote their sustainable development.

The 3R FISH Project focuses in three of the most relevant solid wastes generated by fishing and port activities, out of use fishing gear, Styrofoam boxes from fish packaging and batteries and fishing lights from fishing operations, all of them important in terms of volume and impact on the marine environment. For each one of these wastes a pilot experience of waste management in fishing ports, located in Galicia and Portugal, will be undertaken. Afterwards, said pilot experiences will be evaluated technically and economically, in order to study the potential implementation of a waste management system in the Galician and Portuguese port network.

As **global result and final objective**, it is expected that waste dumping to the marine environment of the main solid wastes from fishing activities will be reduced, that those wastes will be properly managed in-land, and that the valorisation of said wastes will be done an innovative and sustainable way, both economically and environmentally.