



Why We Have to Protect Grouper as a Common Ecological Heritage in the Mediterranean Sea

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Abstract

The grouper is a common heritage of the Mediterranean people since antiquity. This species is not only a flag species of the Mediterranean Sea but also a symbol of the fertility, clean and blue crystal water. It is a part of the ecosystem, so we have to protect with holistic ecosystem approach, simply taking care of all ecosystem components. Besides, IUU fishing should be considered by all riparian countries with zero tolerances and a concerted action is needed. The grouper deserves protection also for the future generation. A regional stock assessment for the grouper species is needed.

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