The Mediterranean coastal zone

concentrates and accumulates pressures



70%

of the population in cities

(which are mostly coastal) and 30% in rural areas. Rurality in the South more pronounced than in the North

78%

Overfishing:

of assessed fish stocks are overexploited



State of the Environment and **Development in the Mediterranean** million tonnes of solid waste / year (1 kg/pers./day). Low recycling rates



Increasing

1/3

"coastalization"

of the Mediterranean population lives on the coast

One of the largest ecological deficits

in the world (the consumption of resources exceeds the availability of renewable resources) and which increases with population growth

Aquaculture production

in 20 years and exceeds 2 million tonnes per year

Offshore Industry

of natural oil and gas:

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new "gas rush" to recent discoveries of large gas fields in the eastern Med

bring pollution from land to sea and can contribute at up to 90% to heavy metal

inputs

Watersheds

Artificialization of the coastline

over 25% in half of the Mediterranean countries



world tourist destination

360 million tourists, largely concentrated in summer and on the coast. 26 million cruise passengers/year.



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