

# The story of SoED

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State of the Environment and  
Development in the Mediterranean



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- Progress towards sustainability has been achieved mainly consisting in the development of policy responses and actions.
- Efforts have led to positive results compared to scenarios of no intervention.
- But this has not been sufficient to safeguard the Mediterranean while answering to human development needs.



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## The Mediterranean environment can be safeguarded

- while simultaneously fostering human development
- taking into account South-East-North differences

## Through urgent and collective efforts for transformative change

- A fundamental and systemic reorganization of economic and social (incl. legal) systems
- Including profound changes in paradigms and values
- Required to achieve SDG's in the region



Human activities and behaviour are the main drivers of environmental change in the world and in the Mediterranean. These activities exert increasing pressures on ecosystems leading to degradation of environment and livelihoods. A further exacerbation of already existing fragilities of the Mediterranean eco-socio-system is projected



## How ?

- Upscale action to protect & restore
- Enforce regulations
- Invest in transitions
- Monitor & put knowledge to use
- Work together

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To consult the full report on the State of the Environment and Development in the Mediterranean and its information sources : [www.planbleu.org/soed](http://www.planbleu.org/soed)