

Blue Circular Economy (BCE) has been a three-year initiative aimed at helping small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) offering products and services, within fishing gear recycling solutions, to attain a greater market reach.

Our mission has been to generate sustainable business opportunities focused on abandoned, lost, and discarded fishing gear (ALDFG) through informed, innovative and collaborative efforts, for the benefit of enterprises, local economies, and the environment in the northern periphery and arctic region region.

The vision is to foster the ecosystem, knowledge, and networks necessary to address the ALDFG problem resulting in a vibrant industry for the recycling and reuse of used fishing nets, ropes, components and peripherals.

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