EUROFLEETS⁺ Floating University "State and sustainable use of the ocean biological resources: the case of the *Nephrops norvegicus* (Norway lobster)" Onboard the R/V Mário Ruivo *Portugal, June 15 – July 5*



SURVEY OVERVIEW

The Portuguese Nephrops Survey (FU 28-29)

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> Estimate the relative abundance of Nephrops, as well as of other crustacean species

(deepwater rose shrimp, red shrimp) and accompanying species;

- > Study their geographical distribution in space and time;
- Collect data for the determination of biological parameters (sex-ratio, length-weight relationships, maturity, growth);
- > Collect biodiversity data under the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD);
- Collect marine litter data to MSFD;
- > Caracterize habitats through sediment analyses.

Crustacean fishing grounds based on VMS trawl data.:

Southwest - Alentejo region – FU 28

South – Algarve region – FU29

>78 rectangles to be sampled, 1 haul by rectangle

 \succ Depth from 200 to 750m.

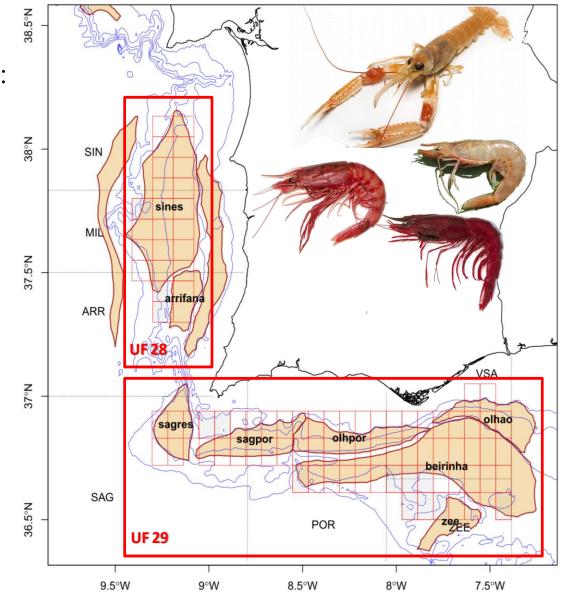
>30 minutes hauls with otter trawl. 20mm codend

➤ Trawling performed between sunrise and sunset.

≻No Night-hauls

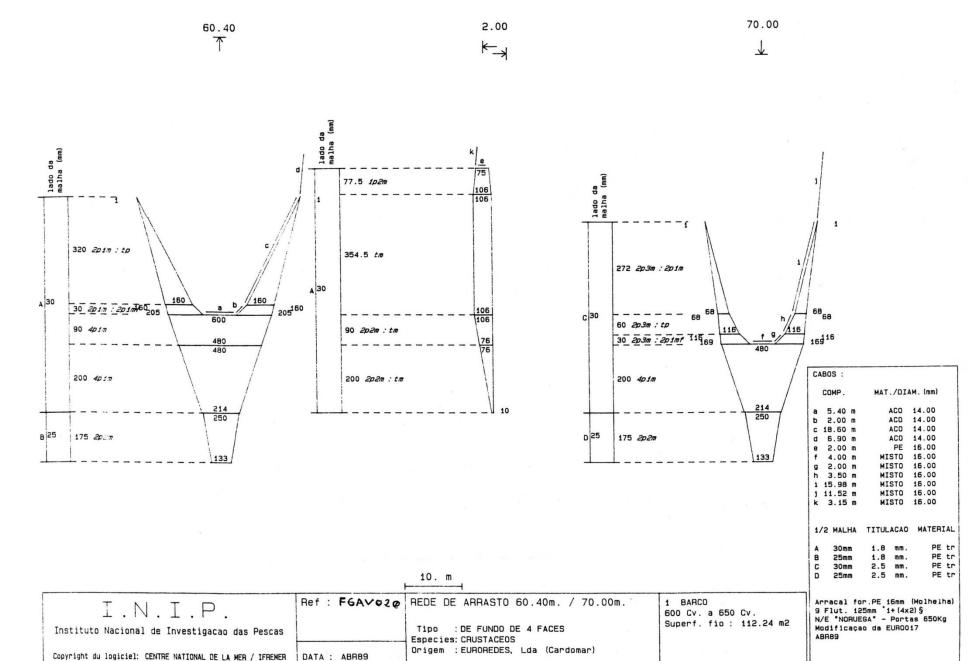
≻Net geometry monitorized by Scanmar sensors

➤Stratified Sampling & Geostatistical analysis

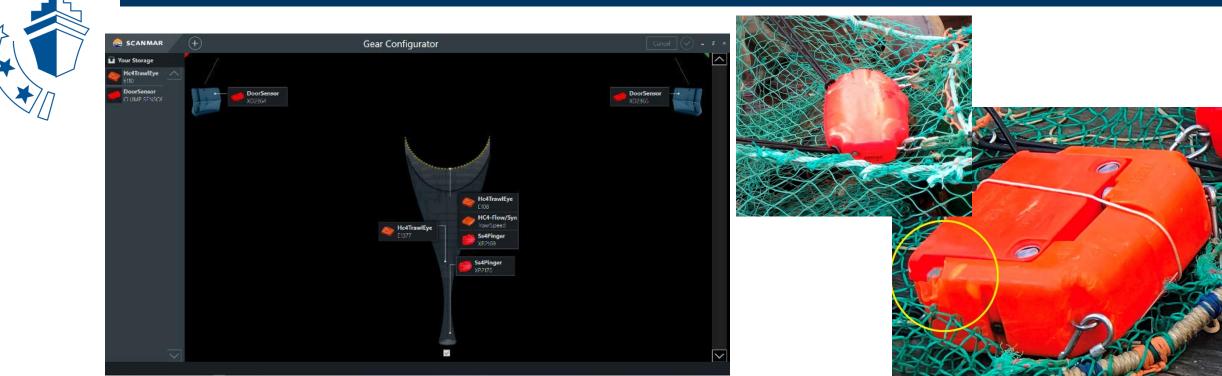


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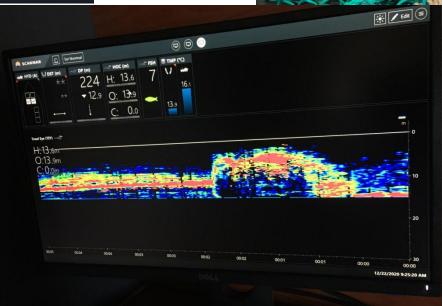




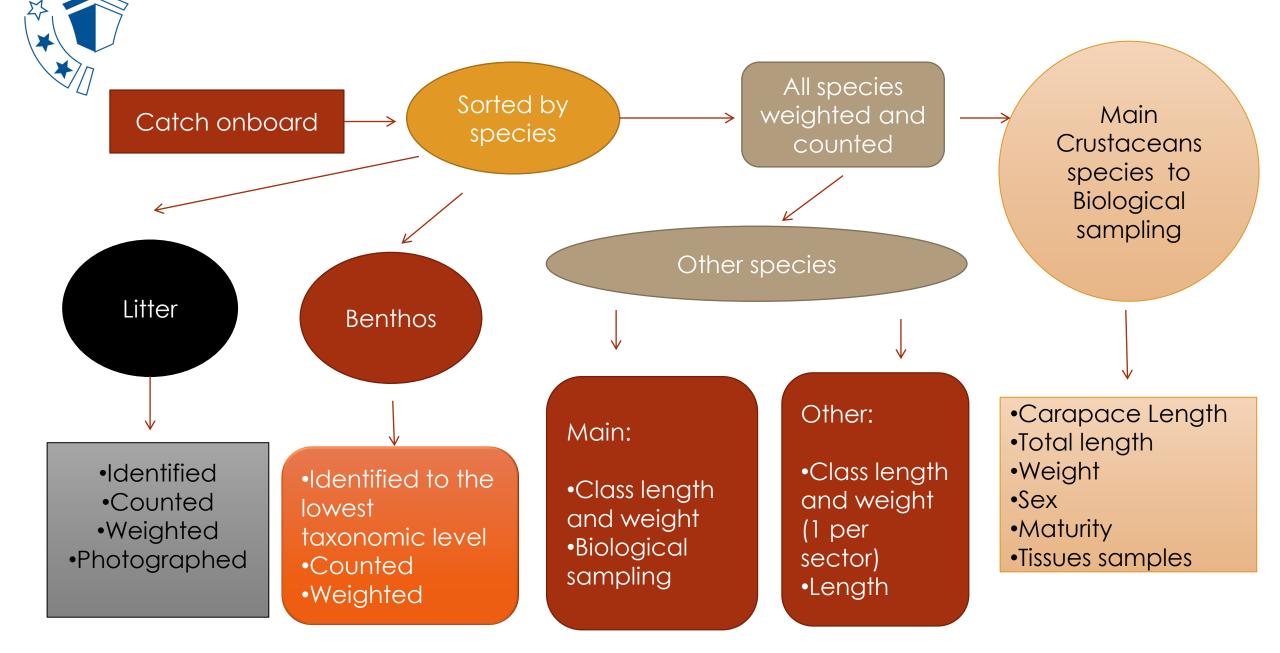
GEAR MONITORING





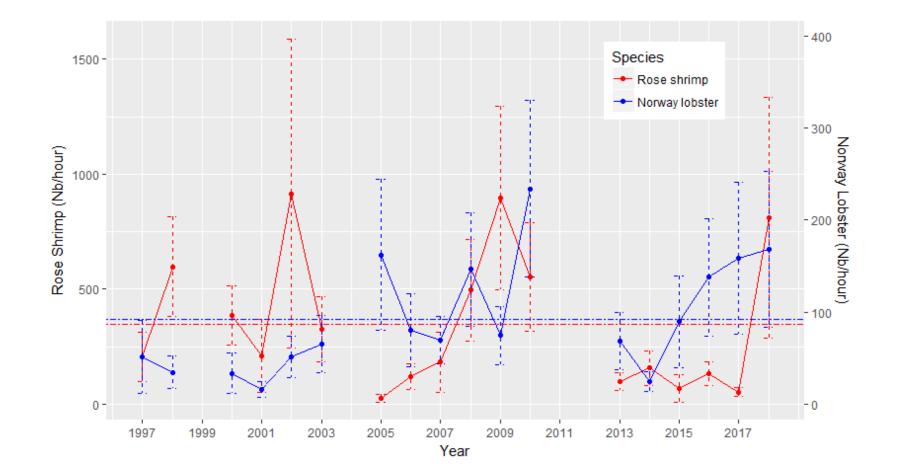


SAMPLING - catches



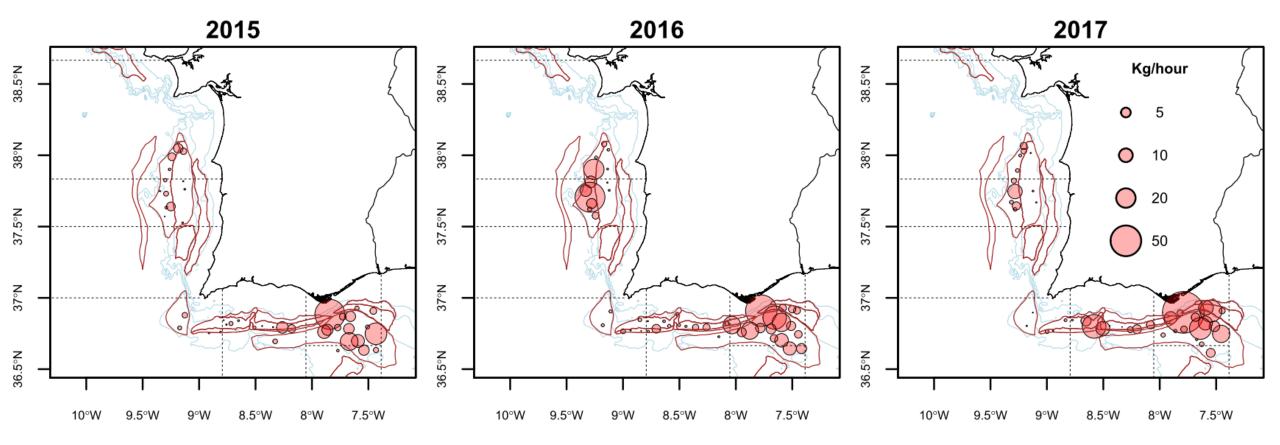
RESULTS – abundance time series



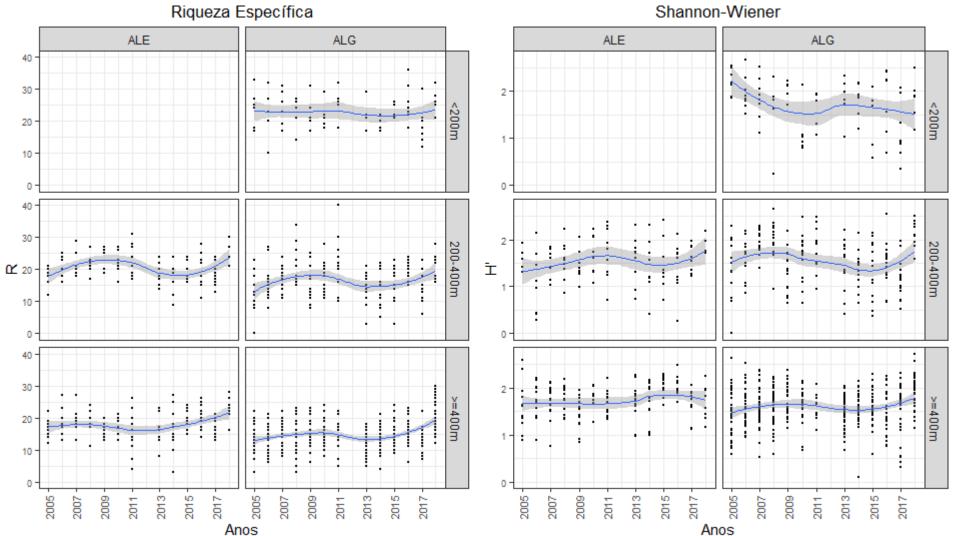




RESULTS – geographical distribution and abundance







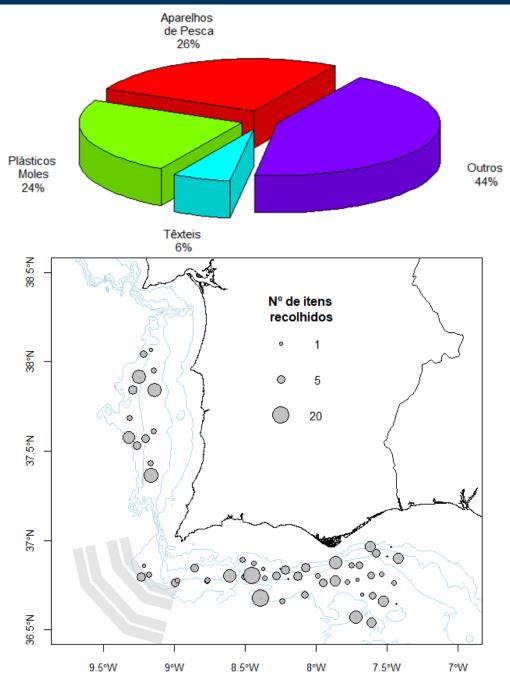
MARINE LITTER



> Until 2018 only collected in trawl

➢ From 2021 onwards, Floating litter assessment.







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