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# Nature-based reef solution for coastal protection and marine biodiversity enhancement

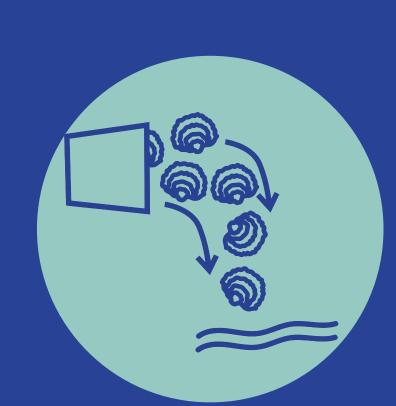
LIFE NatuReef project **restores ancient marine habitats** by creating native **oyster** and **sabellariid** worm reefs near the Bevano River mouth, in the northern Adriatic Sea.

These biogenic reefs provide essential ecosystem goods and services, feeding and nursery ground, and boost **biodiversity** and **coastal protection** by stabilising sediments, dissipating wave energy and counteracting coastal erosion.



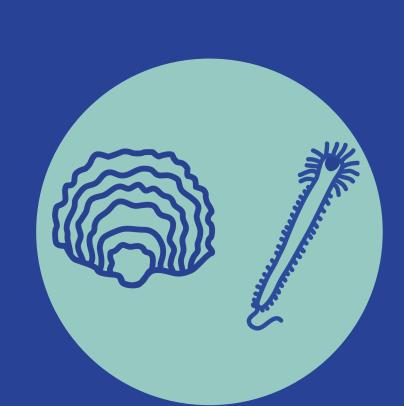
### Baseline & Monitoring

Assess ante operam conditions and monitor biodiversity and coastal evolution.



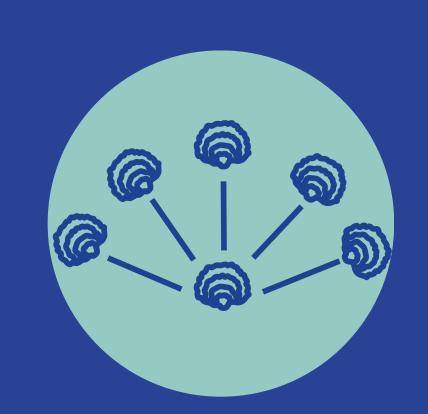
#### Basal Reef Construction

Design and build limestone reefs supporting marine life.



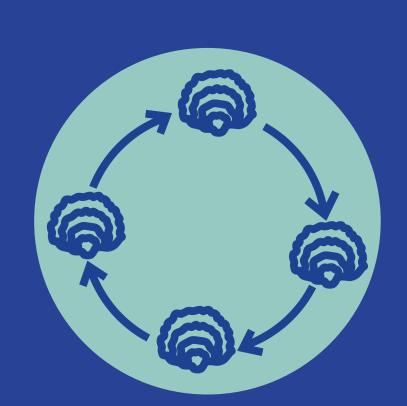
# Biogenic Reef Implementation

Develop oyster and sabellariid worm reefs.



## Outreach & Engagement

Promote dissemination and public involvement.



## Sustainability & Replication

Ensure the longevity, adaptability and replicability of this nature-based solution.











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