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Map of the week – Blue Indicator – Employment in ports, warehousing and water projects

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This week, the city of Porto (Portugal) hosted the [6th Atlantic Stakeholder Platform Conference \(ASPC2019\)](#) [1] where Atlantic blue economy stakeholders gathered to seek ways of cooperation, share information and identify funding and financial opportunities for their projects and business. This conference is part of the [Atlantic Marine Strategy](#) [2], adopted by the European Commission in 2011, which identifies the challenges and opportunities for the Atlantic Region. These include the protection of the marine ecosystems, the reduction of the EU's carbon footprint, the sustainable exploitation of seafloor resources, the response to threats and emergencies (e.g. natural disasters and oil spills) as well as the promotion of socially inclusive growth in the blue economy.

Within the framework of this Atlantic Strategy, the [Atlantic Action Plan](#) [3] establishes practical actions to boost the sustainably blue economy in the EU member states bordering the Atlantic Ocean. One of the topics discussed during the ASPC2019 conference was the revision of this action plan, with a focus on how collaboration and open innovation of the Atlantic ports can serve the economic growth and environmental goals of the Atlantic Strategy. For this occasion, the map of the week features the employment within the ports, warehouse and water projects as a percentage of the employment across all blue economy sectors in the different EU member states. This map is part of the [Blue Indicators](#) [4], a dashboard tool developed by the European Commission to monitor the growth of the blue economy. Go check out the map and the dashboard to learn more about how the seas and ocean play a role in your country's economy.

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