

# MariPet



Innovative curriculum to evaluate MARine fishery discards as raw PET food for sustainable Europe

The MARIPEP project, which aims to reduce waste in fisheries, has a very important original value that covers 5 important goals of the United Nations development goals, namely life underwater, responsible production-responsible consumption and quality education, with the contents of climate change and end hunger.



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## RECENT EVENTS



**Dissemination meetings:** 2 dissemination meetings of the Maripet project were held in Izmir, Turkey. The first meeting was held on May 12, the second on May 20.

### TURKEY



The World Farmers' Day celebration was normally scheduled for May 14 and the meeting was to be held on that day. But, because of the elections, it was held on May 12. The meeting was held at Iztam.



According to 2020 data, the amount of seafood fished in the seas for consumption as human food in Turkey was 360,000 tons. In addition to this amount, it is necessary to mention that there is an amount of approximately 100 thousand tons of so-called "discarded fish", which cannot be commercially marketed during these fishing operations, and are therefore dumped back into the sea without being landed on the shore. Although it seems that fishing-selection studies in the scientific sense to reduce the amount of discarded fish are currently being carried out very intensively and effectively, it is not possible to say that they are successful in practice due to the commercial concerns of fishermen. As a result, it is an important fact that serious ecological deformations are encountered with the dumping of discarded fish into the sea as well as a very serious economic loss. Within the scope of the MARIPEP Erasmus+ vocational training project supported by the Turkish national agency, aquaculture engineers, veterinarians, food engineers, agricultural engineers, fishermen and pet food producers constitute the primary target professional groups. Within the scope of the MARIPEP project, coordinated by Ege University Faculty of Fisheries and carried out by Assoc. Prof. Dr. İlker AYDIN, training activities will be carried out on the production of a food in which discarded fish fillets are used instead of the mixture obtained from terrestrial animal meat in the raw food content. The Erasmus+ project, which will last for 24 months under the leadership of Ege University and involves 7 partner organizations in total, includes Balıkesir University and İzmir Metropolitan Municipality from our country, while Norway, Iceland, Croatia and Lithuania support Ege University as international partners. The project aims to reduce waste in fisheries, ecological and economic development by raising awareness of the use of discarded marine products in feeding dogs and cats.

The main results of the MARIPEP will be: ● Innovative curriculum including 5 modules with training courses. ● A virtual dedicated environment with an online education kit. ● Establishment of discard fisheries and pet food trainers/experts platform-European Discard Fisheries and Pet Food Production Guidebook/e-book. ● Training workshops. ● Multiplier events in five countries. ● Quality Management and dissemination reports.





# MARIPET PROJECT

## What's next?

The third meeting of the Maripet project will take place in Dubrovnik, Croatia.



## Coming Events

The 7th meeting will be held in Iceland ,n December 2023.



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