### SEA2 SEE

Innovative blockchain traceability technology and Stakeholders' Engagement strAtegy for boosting Sustainable sEafood visibility, social acceptance and consumption in Europe

**Overall project presentation** 

WEBINAR 1: Securing our food supply chains: EU's innovative initiatives to combat food fraud, improve food traceability and sustainability, and increase consumers' trust

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### SINGLE POWER IDEA

Sea2See project contributes to significantly improve Trust, Transparency and Traceability of the European Seafood sector throughout the value chain.



# Challenges

- i) INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION ABOUT SEAFOOD PRODUCTS: species, origin, fishing gear, feed, welfare issues, production methods and parameters such as water quality, processing and transport methods.
- **ii)** UNSUSTAINABLE PRACTICES such as the use of unselective gear with high by-catch and discards, capture of undersized fish and invertebrates, illegal and unregulated fishing, and labelling frauds.
- **iii) LACK OF DIGITALIZATION AND TAILORED SOFTWARE TOOLS FOR** seafood products **TRACEABILITY**. The main challenge to ensure a clear link between sustainability and traceability of EU seafood lies in the ability to assess, in real-time, sustainability indicators across actors in the value chain.

#### **CREDIBLE AND PRACTICAL TRANSPARENCY IS ONLY POSSIBLE WITH DIGITIZATION**





# Project Goal

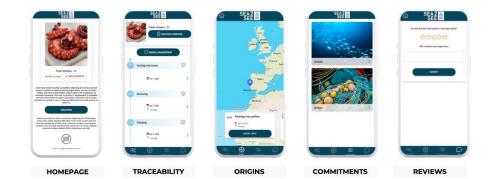
Sea2See' main goal is to significantly **increase consumer trust and acceptance of sustainably fished or farmed seafood** in Europe through

1) development and demonstration of an **innovative end-to-end blockchain traceability model throughout the seafood value chain** and

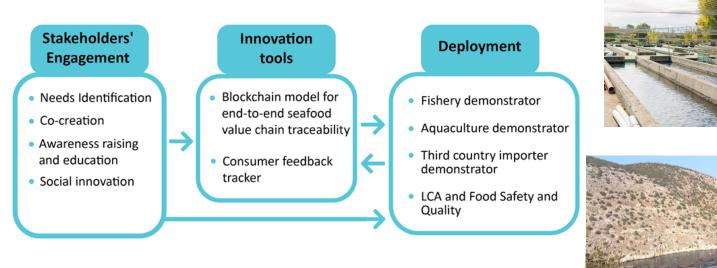
2) implementation of **societal and sectoral strategies for co-creation**, **communication and awareness raising** of the benefits of sustainably fished or farmed nutritious seafood.



## **Project Aims**



The main question Sea2See targets is how to make actors with sustainable seafood practices more visible to consumers, to give them a competitive advantage.









## Project Objectives

SO1: Develop a **co-creation approach** to sustainable seafood transparency and traceability

SO2: Leverage a set of **awareness raising and educational practices** to increase sustainable seafood consumption

SO3: Develop a **blockchain deployment model** for seafood industryspecific traceability data collection

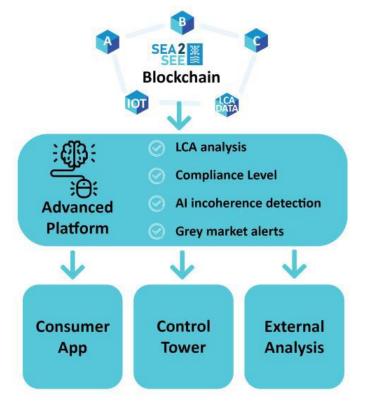
SO4: Demonstrate the **feasibility and advantages** of the Sea2See blockchain model

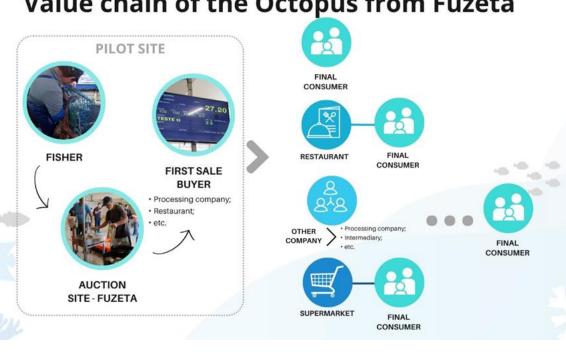
SO5: Develop a standardized Life Cycle Assessment framework for identifying and quantifying the major sources of environmental impact



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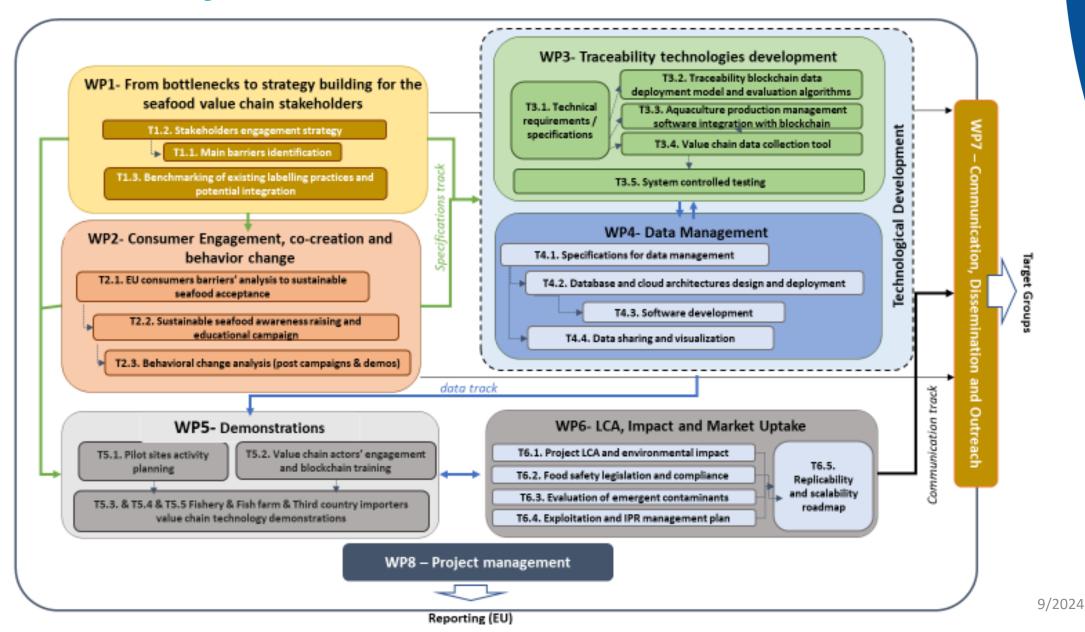
#### Value chain of the Octopus from Fuzeta



# SO4: Demonstrate the **feasibility and advantages** of the Sea2See blockchain model

- FISHERIES
  - Fishery Portugal (Octopus)
- AQUACULTURE
  - Greece (seabream cages)
  - Spain (trout raceways)
  - Portugal (meagre RAS)
- IMPORTER
  - Perú-Spain (canned tuna)

## Project Work Distribution





## Main Results to date

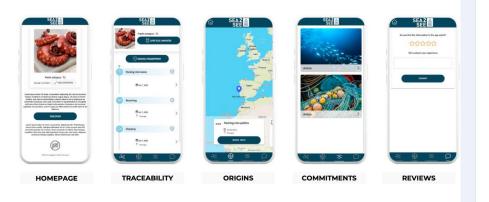
- Novel Sea2See methodology & strategy on stakeholders' engagement
- Map stakeholder groups & subgroups and level of engagement
- Benchmarking existing seafood certification practices
- Identified Benefits and Barriers to blockchain in seafood value chains
- Map of consuming habits
- Development of tools and technologies for stakeholder data collection and interaction with the Sea2See Traceability Platform

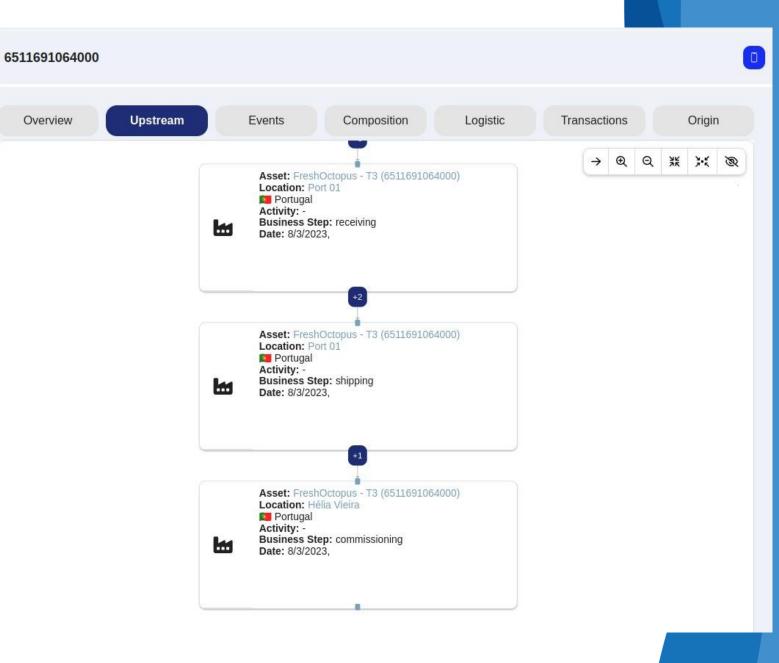


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#### WP3 & WP4 $\rightarrow$ WP5

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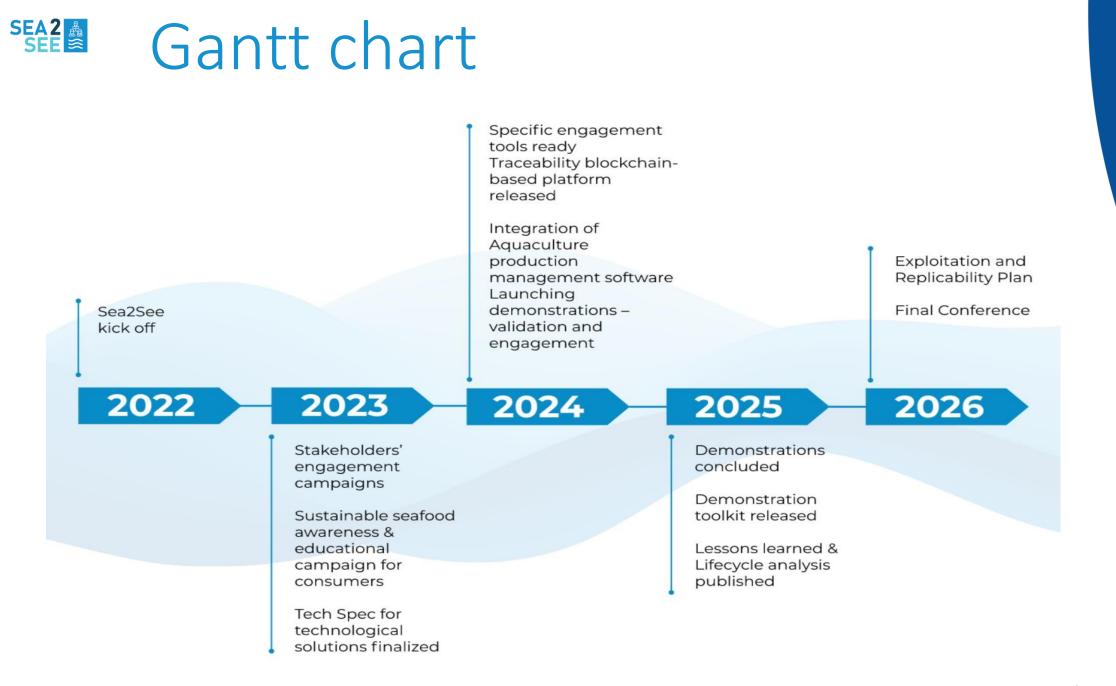
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## Proposed synergies

- Awareness campaigns highlighting blockchain solutions for food traceability and fraud prevention
- Sharing best practices and challenges in implementing digital tools, especially for traceability
- Pooling resources for creating educational materials to raise awareness about food safety in supply chains
- Discuss how to build consumers' trust in sustainable food and interventions on consumer behaviour
- . Communicating the benefits of the tools to the stakeholders



## Proposed synergies

- Small scale fisheries / Sustainable seafood
- Legal Framework

REGULATION (EU) 2023/2842 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 22 November 2023

Most provisions of the amended regulation will apply in 2 years, from 10 January 2026

CATCH

• Digitalisation of Data Acquisition



# Thank you!



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