## SCS LEGAL MAPS



MAPPING LEGISLATION
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# CETACEAN CONSERVATION



#### WHY SCS LEGAL MAPS?

Flagging and monitoring compliance issues related to cetacean conservation is key to enable the implementation of rapid conservation and enforcement responses at local, regional and international levels.

Currently, there is a lack of accessible and centralized legal information for scientific and policy collaborators to efficiently identify what legal instruments apply to the conservation of cetaceans, and when there has been an infraction or compliance incident, by extension.

#### WHAT IS SCS LEGAL MAPS?

The Swiss Cetacean Society's (SCS) Legal Maps tool will allow scientific and policy collaborators to efficiently track applicable legislation, and in so doing, flag legal compliance issues applying to cetacean species, namely whales, dolphins and porpoises.

Combining up-to-date legal research with smart data visualization, **SCS Legal Maps** is an interactive map of international **and** regional legal instruments (binding and voluntary) that apply to the conservation of cetaceans.

Accessible through a web-based tool and application, users will be able to conduct searches of applicable legal instruments filtered according to specific cetacean species, geographic area, or applicable environmental subject:

Marine protected area

Underwater noise

**Bycatch** 

Wildlife crime

**Fisheries** 

Ship strikes



#### ROADMAP SCS LEGAL MAPS

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Project Design and Preparation	Legal data collection and Analysis	Creation of Interactive map	Monitoring and Follow-up



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