FISHING PORT OF LE GUILVINEC

GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE OF VISIT: 18/07/2024

PORT MANAGEMENT

Port Authority: Joint association of Cornouaille fishing

ports and marinas

Administrator: Finistère Chamber of Commerce (CCI)

PORT DESCRIPTION

Fishing port, marina & ship repair area Presence of a fish market Flotilla of 98 vessels (mostly deep-sea)

MANAGEMENT OF USED FISHING GEAR

EQUIPMENT

- Closed port waste collection centre: a 30m³ skip for EOLFG (mainly trawlers)
- **Bins** on the docks for fishermen to put all their waste in when they disembark
- Storage space for used trawls that are not dismantled

REUSE

- FILIPECHE project (2021-2022) recycling of trawls from Cornouaille ports, with a lorry sent to a trawl recycling facility in Denmark (Plastix)
- **Local reuse initiatives**: Recreational fishermen's reuse of trawls in the storage area for their fishing activities

No existing recycling chain in France yet but large quantities of trawl nets.

MANAGEMENT

- When the bins on the docks are full, two employees hired by the CCI collect the bins and carry out an overall sorting according to the flows (wood, EOLFG, CIW, etc.).
- The EOLFG are placed in the skip and Guyot Environnement transports it to the landfill site

Funding: included in the REPP (fishing port equipment fee)

Management costs: 160€/T (2023)

Quantity: 92.2T of trawls (2023)

CONSTRAINTS

- Nets are not recycled due to low volume.
- Illegal dumping on the docks, particularly at weekends, still too frequent despite the introduction of fines.
- Rope cuttings left on the docks, even though they are occasionally cleaned with a blower.

FISHING FOR LITTER

BEST PRACTICES & OBJECTIVES

- 2 to 3 times a year, a diver cleans the harbour water (recovery of fishing gear).
- Cleaning of port docks 2 to 3 times a year (collection of bits of plastic, polystyrene, etc. in the port)
- Objectives:
 - To be part of a project with a medium/long-term approach to **find sustainable**, **long-term** value chain for used trawlnets.

CURRENT PRACTICES

No existing practices. This type of waste is returned but not characterised or monitored in terms of volume.

REPECHONS LES OCEANS

The port has been contacted by the Ecoalf foundation's *Repêchons les océans* programme to install bins in some ports in Cornouailles to collect passively fished waste. The operation has not yet produced conclusive results







