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## **The EUROWA Project**

*The EUROWA project, coordinated by the Sea Alarm Foundation, is developing a module of oiled wildlife response experts and equipment which can be mobilised internationally by European governments. This third newsletter provides an overview of some achievements for the first half of 2016 and further steps planned for the completing the Module.*

## Sea Alarm introduces EUROWA SOP to Regional Agreements



A key element of the EUROWA Module project is to reach out to the anticipated end-users and to explain what is being developed and how the Module would benefit various stakeholders in European countries once it is up and running. The main target group are the authorities in European Member States, who are the parties likely to request the activation of the EUROWA team and its equipment.

In spring 2016, Sea Alarm attended meetings of the HELCOM Response Group (for protection of the Baltic Sea) and the Bonn Agreement OTSOPA (response in the North Sea) to update the authorities in those countries about the recent activities and results of the EUROWA project. [Read more...](#)

## Understanding the EUROWA Module through e-learning



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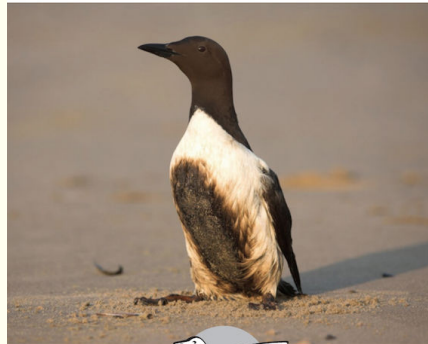
To help interested parties learn more about how the EUROWA Module will work, a set of e-learning tools is being developed with the aim of providing answers to such questions as what the EUROWA Module is, what it can do, and how this oiled wildlife module can be invited and integrated into a spill response.

The e-learning tools, which will be openly accessible on the EUROWA website, are designed to create a better understanding of what an international oiled wildlife team can bring to the table during a response, and to allow governments and NGOs to review the processes involved in initiating a EUROWA response before a spill occurs. [Read more...](#)

**EUROWA training manual series being developed**

Part B

Animal care during  
an oiled wildlife response



The EUROWA project partners are tasked with developing training course materials aimed at certifying responders and veterinarians at different functional levels within a response team. As part of the package, the project team have created a series of manuals to accompany the other training materials developed for Module team members.

The manuals elaborate on some of the technical and theoretical concepts explained in the training courses and provide written background texts which will help the trainees (who are potential members of a EUROWA mobilised team), to deepen their understanding of key aspects of oiled wildlife response.

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**Further information:**

[www.oiledwildlife.eu/eurowa](http://www.oiledwildlife.eu/eurowa)



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