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RECREATIONAL BOATING & IAS

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR RECREATIONAL BOATING



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CONVENTION ON THE CONSERVATION OF EUROPEAN WILDLIFE
AND NATURAL HABITATS

Standing Committee

36th meeting
Strasbourg, 15-18 November 2016

EUROPEAN CODE OF CONDUCT ON RECREATIONAL BOATING AND INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES

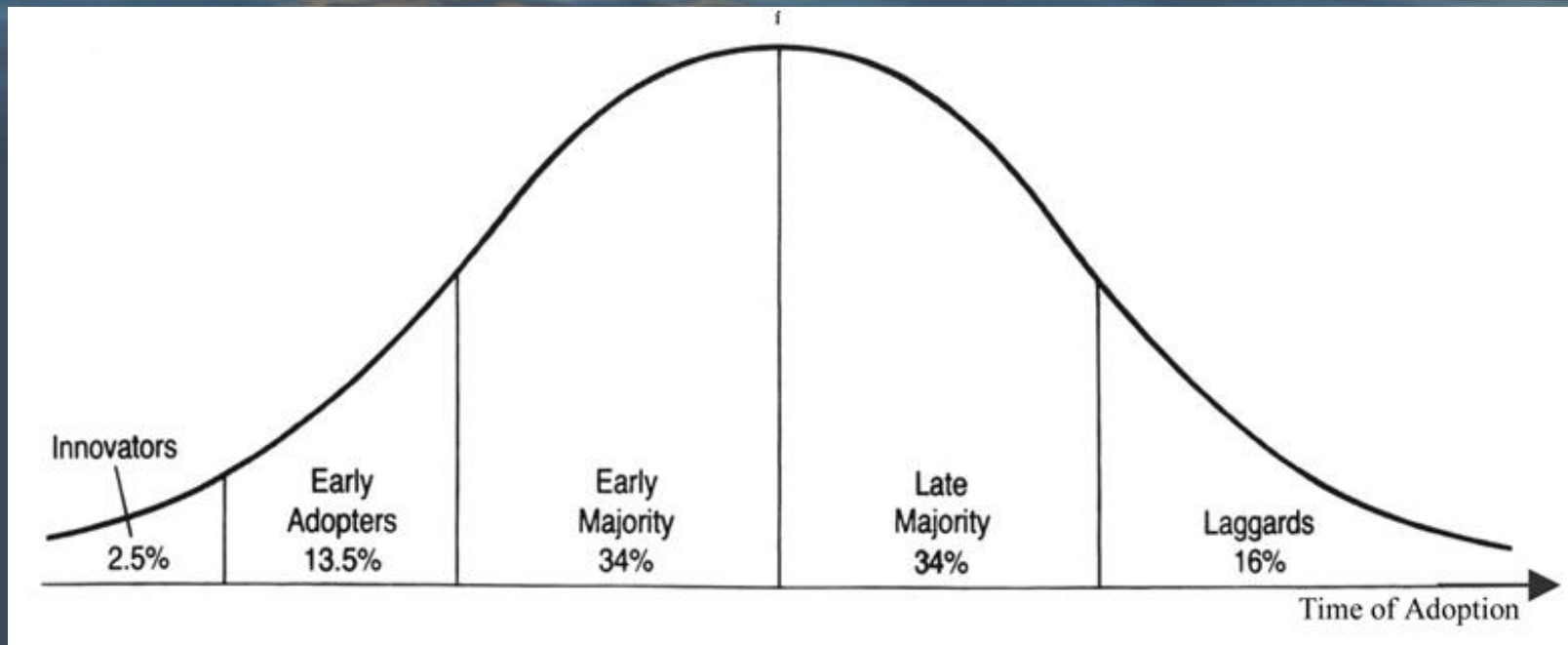
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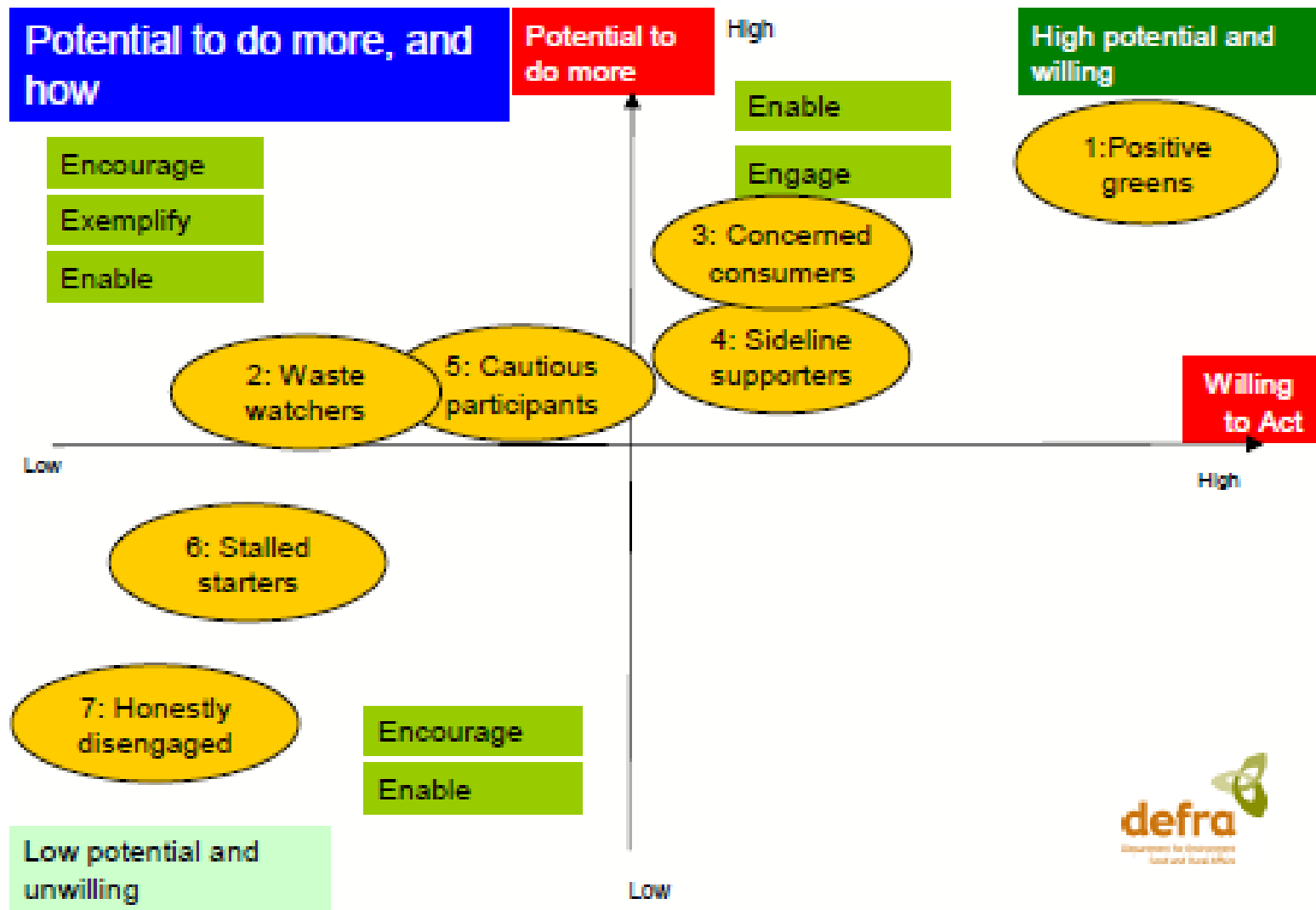
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THE SCALE OF THE CHALLENGE

- 1.5 million boat owners
- 20 million active participants
- Clubs, training centres, marinas, individuals

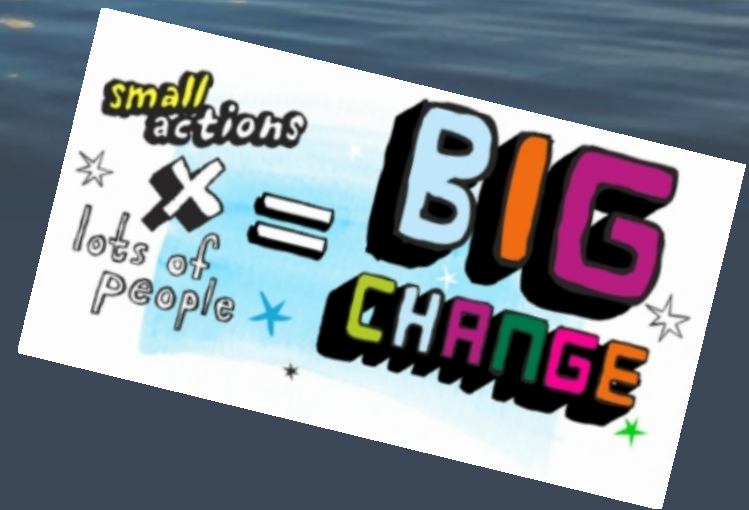




SAILING IS ALREADY ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY, ISN'T IT?



Eventually Wilson gave up his crazy notion of "green" boating and traded in his rowing machine for a standard outboard motor.





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START A CONVERSATION



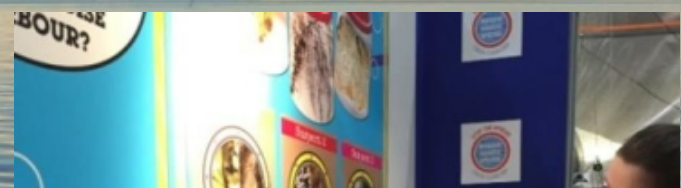
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MAKE IT STICKY



KILLER SHRIMP
DIKEROGAMMERUS VILLOSUS



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MAKE IT EASY



The Green Guide to Check Clean Dry for Inland Sailing Clubs

The Green Blue
 Making the environment second nature

CHECK
CLEAN
DRY

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WATCH OUT FOR AQUATIC INVADERS
 INVASIVE NON-NATIVE SPECIES CAN DAMAGE OUR NATIVE SPECIES AND HABITATS

POINLET BENTHIC LIFE ON YOUR BOAT
 Check and clean the prop and shaft, boat, motor, hulls and fittings as often as you can

WASH OFF YOUR BOAT AND CHECK BEFORE DROPPING AND LOADING AT MOORINGS
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SUSTAINABLE BOATING ACTIVITY CARDS FOR YOUNG BOATERS

Quiz cards and quick fun fillers to encourage your groups to think about the environment when boating

ALIEN CHARADES

To play this game you will need to have a list of 10-15 alien species that you can identify. You can find a list of these on the website. The game is played in a similar way to the game of charades. The person who is acting out the alien should be given 1-2 minutes to act out the alien. The other players should guess the alien's name. The person who guesses the alien's name correctly wins the round.

WHAT IS A BOAT?

What is a boat? A boat is a watercraft that floats on water and is used for transportation or recreation. Boats are used in many different ways, from small rowing boats to large cargo ships. They are also used for fishing, hunting, and other activities.

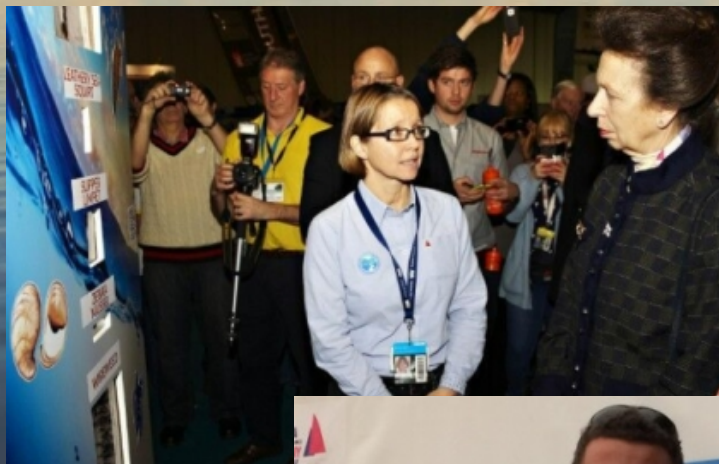
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WORK WITH OTHERS



EBA membership:

- 29 national federations
- 18 countries



MAKE IT CREDIBLE

- Target audience
- Tailored messaging
 - Inland/coastal
 - Vessel type
 - Activity
 - Priority pathways
- Socio-economic group ABC1
 - Knowledge professions
 - Educated
 - Challenging





BE CONSISTENT

“The intention of environmental policy of Government for freshwaters is quite opposite..... minimizing use biocides in our fresh water inland waterways as far as possible.”

“...great interest on antifouling problems and only little interest on IAS.”

“The work against IAS is not doing any progress in our country because none of the responsible agencies recognizes the issue.”

“Government is convinced that vessels don't cause transfer of IAS in inland waters, but Government fears that the code of conduct is a tool that persuades boaters to use more than less biocide antifouling.”

“We organised two major seminars reaching the stakeholders regarding the use and problems of the use of antifouling. When the question about AIS is put on the table neither the Agency of transport, the Agency of marine and water management nor the Environmental protection agency wants to discuss the subject.”

“Consideration of the environmental risk of pollutions from AF-paint is larger and of higher priority than IAS.”

DISCUSSION

- What is your experience so far?
- What are the barriers to action?
- What resources do we need?
- How can we work together?





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