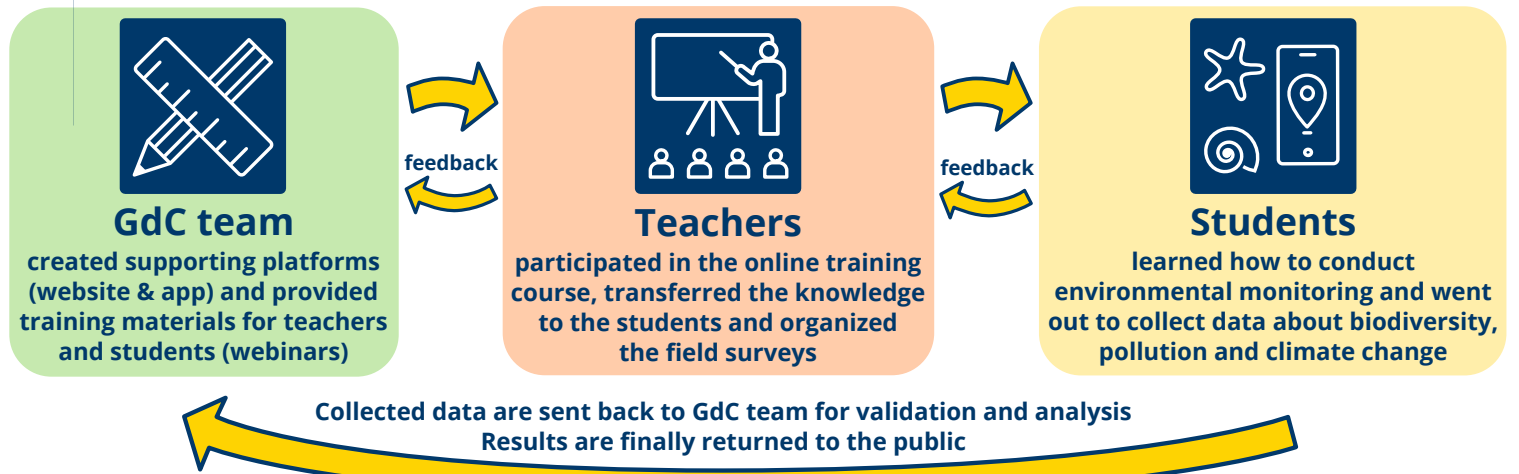


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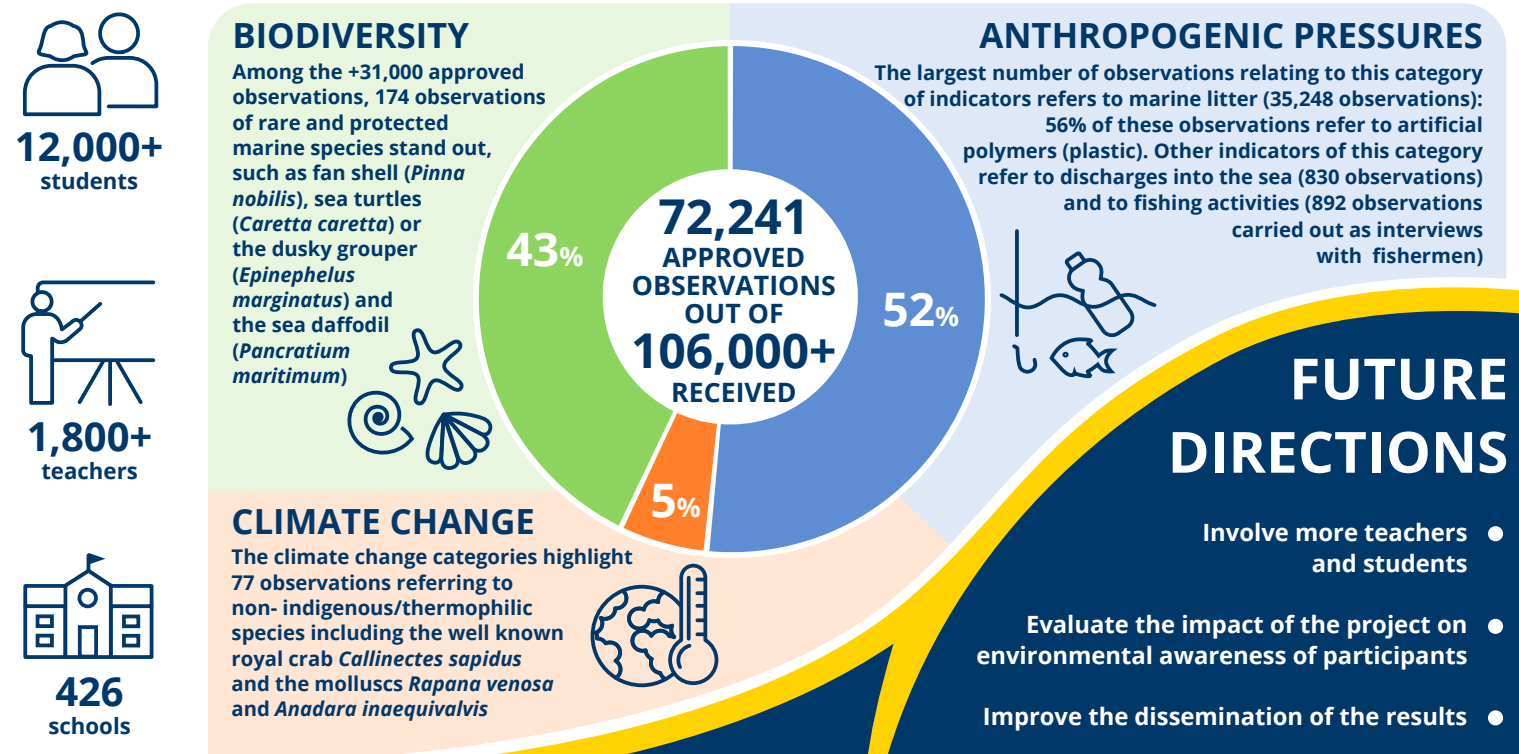
Building awareness on the marine environment conservation by involving secondary school students

The Guardiani della Costa (GdC) project was launched in Italy in 2017 to raise environmental awareness by involving secondary school students in monitoring activities regarding indicators of biodiversity, anthropogenic pressure and climate change along the Italian coasts. The project contributed to raise awareness of thousands of Italian young citizens about the environmental problems affecting the Mediterranean Sea. The implementation of accessible and user-friendly tools made the survey activity very effective. Rare events (occurrence of non-indigenous species, mass mortality events and stranding of endangered species) were detected and reported.

### METHODS



### RESULTS



### FUTURE DIRECTIONS

- Involve more teachers and students
- Evaluate the impact of the project on environmental awareness of participants
- Improve the dissemination of the results
- Build partnerships with similar projects in Europe and around the world

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