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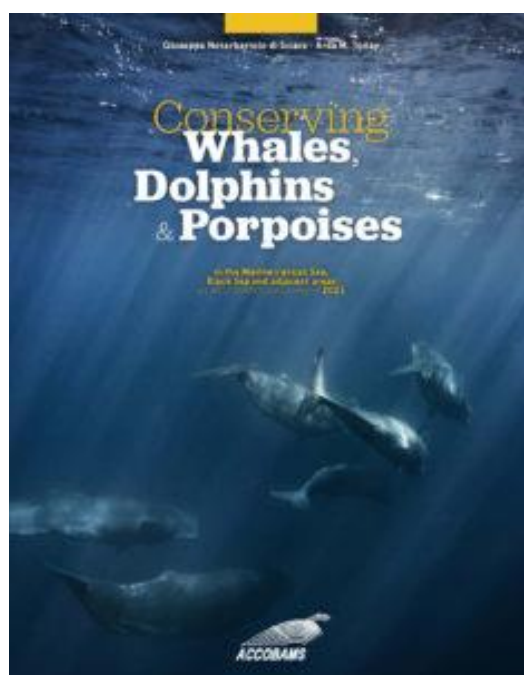
Background

A major expected output of the ACCOBAMS Survey Initiative is the publication of an updated Conservation Status of cetaceans in the ACCOBAMS Area. [The previous edition of the ACCOBAMS Status Report](#) was published in 2010¹.

Dr. Giuseppe Notarbartolo di Sciara and Dr. Arda M. Tonay were in charge of the writing and preparation of this updated publication which was based on all relevant information collected during the last decade on concerned species, in particular from the cetacean abundance and distribution estimates deriving from the 2018 and 2019 Mediterranean and Black Sea ASI surveys. The development of this work was done in synchronization with the reassessment of the IUCN red list status of cetaceans' species of the ACCOBAMS area. The book illustrations and the layout were chosen and prepared by the Secretariat and a specialized editing consultant/company.

The publication entitled '*Conserving Whales, Dolphins and Porpoises in the Mediterranean Sea, Black Sea and adjacent areas: an ACCOBAMS status report (2021)*' was finalized and published on time for the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of ACCOBAMS, on November 24th, 2021. The book has been printed in limited quantities and an electronic version is available online on the ACCOBAMS website on the following link:

https://accobams.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/ACCOBAMS_ConservingWDP_web_2022.pdf



¹ Notarbartolo di Sciara G., Birkun A., Jr. 2010. Conserving whales, dolphins and porpoises in the Mediterranean and Black Seas: and ACCOBAMS status report, 2010. ACCOBAMS, Monaco. 212p.