ENHANCING HNS PREPAREDNESS THROUGH TRAINING AND EXERCISING

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Project overview

Using technology towards a better preparedness to HNS spills
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Background

- **The transportation of chemicals has grown considerably in the recent years (estimated 215 Million tonnes in 2015 (source));**
- **Approximately 2,000 different chemicals are transported by sea (source);**
- **Accidents involving chemicals happen:** Around 100 incidents happened in European waters between 1987 and 2006. (EMSA, Source).
- **HNS spills pose risks to the environment and human health;**
- **HNS response can be extremely challenging**
- **Fragmented research on HNS preparedness and response.**

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Project bullet points

Objective:

Improve regional cooperation in planning, preparedness and response to HNS spills by:

- Compiling HNS R&D outcomes and making them accessible to planners, responders and other stakeholders
- Improving training and exercise capabilities;
- Upgrading and/or improving tools to support decision making and response;
- Increasing awareness and encouraging information exchange.

Co-financing Programme: Call 2015 for prevention and preparedness projects in the field of civil protection and marine pollution. DG-ECHO.

Policy area of activity: Preparedness.

Start date: 1st January 2016

End date: 31st December 2017

European Commission contribution: 748.910 EUR (75 %)

Total budget: 998.547 EUR

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Partners

1. Centro Tecnológico del Mar – Fundación CETMAR Link ***Coordinator***
2. INTECMAR - Instituto Tecnolóxico para o Control do Medio Mariño de Galicia Link
3. Universidade de Vigo Link

4. Action Modulers Link
5. CIIMAR: Interdisciplinary Centre of Marine and Environmental Research Link

6. Public Health England Link

7. Cedre - Centre of Documentation, Research and Experimentation on Accidental Water Pollution Link

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Advisory Board

1. **Salvamento Marítimo - Sasemar**
2. **Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Food and Environment.** Sea Protection Division
3. **Galician Coastguards**

4. **Maritime Authority Directorate General.** Marine Pollution Response Directorate

5. **Maritime & Coastguard Agency**

6. **Secretariat General for the Sea**

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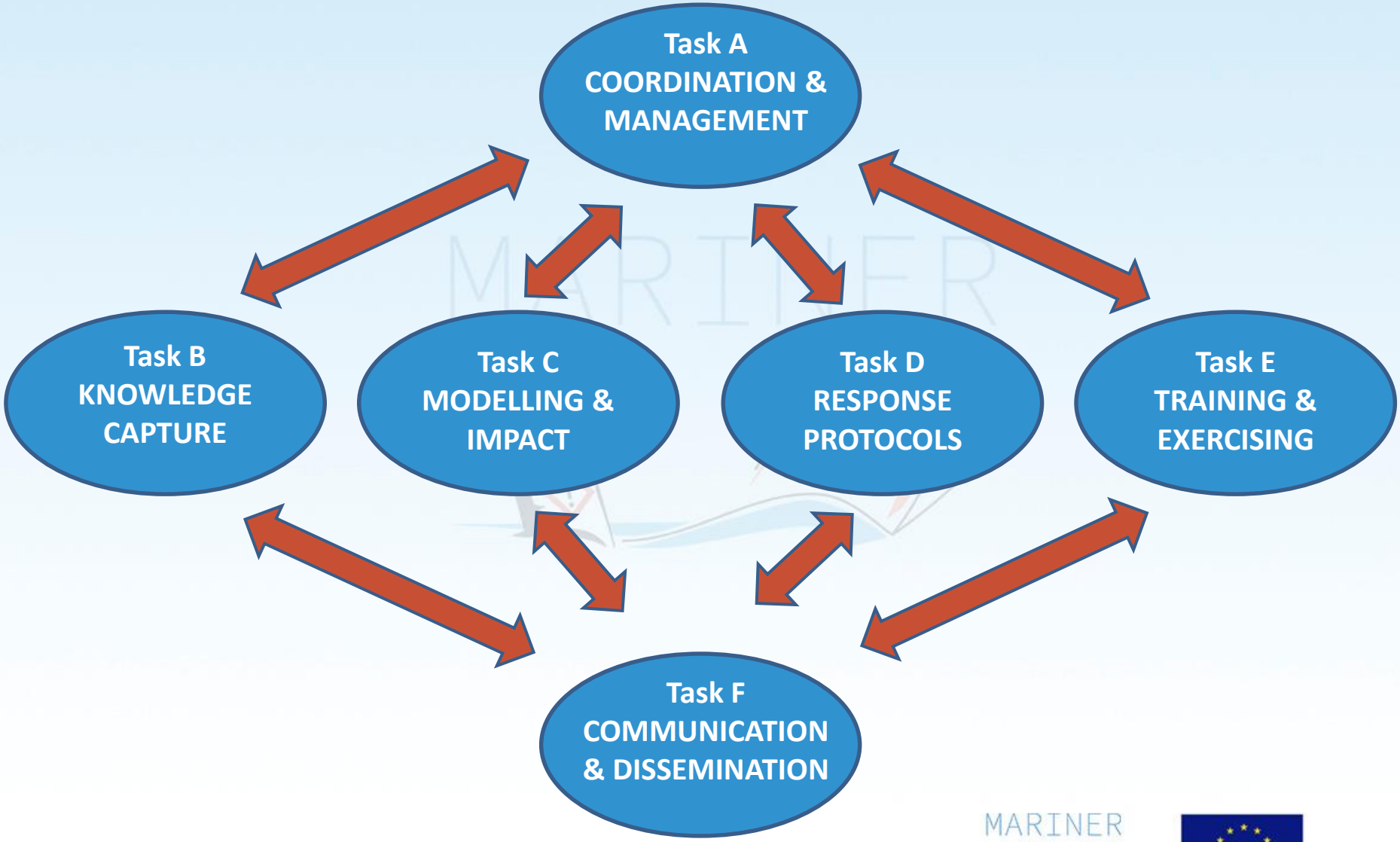

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HNS knowledge compilation & facilitation

Specific objective:

Identify and compile existing HNS preparedness and response knowledge generated by EU funded public research as well as existing resources and make them easy available to end users through a user friendly tool connected to existing platforms and by targeted transfer actions.

Manager: CETMAR

Participants: All

Main results :

- A user friendly visualization and knowledge management **tool gathering all relevant information addressing key issues on HNS**.
- Set of **graphical materials**.
- **Key outputs transferred**.

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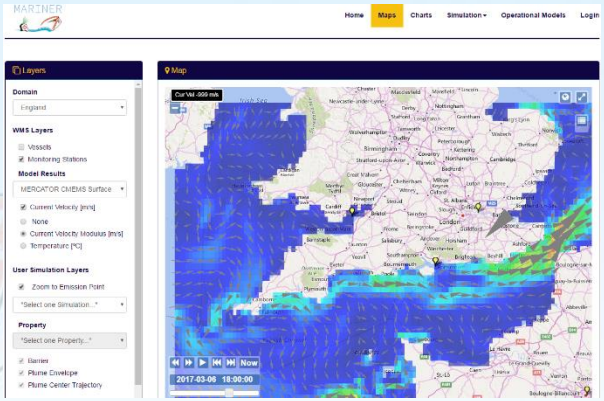
HNS modelling and environmental impact

Specific objective:

- Improve the interoperability and the operational use of tools for modelling HNS transport, behaviour and biological impact;
- Definition of protocols and guidelines for environmental impact assessment of HNS spills.

Manager: Action Modulers.

Participants: INTECMAR, CIIMAR, CEDRE, Uvigo.



Main results

- Improved **HNS spill model integrated into a Common Operating Picture**. Includes a module on environmental effects at population level..

- Cross border guidelines and **protocols for HNS environmental impact assessment**.

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HNS response – seeking synergies with experts

Specific objective:

- Identification of existing expertise from chemical industry, civil protection mechanisms and fire's crews and their main response protocols and equipment to be adapted for marine events.
- Development of Good Practices and training and exercise activities to test protocols and new equipment with antipollution vessels operating in coastal areas.

Manager: INTECMAR.

Participants: CEDRE, PHE, CIIMAR, AM, Uvigo.

Main results

- **Adapted equipment and response protocols to be included in contingency plans**
- **Training and exercise events** to test the adapted protocols in specialized antipollution vessels.

- **Multilingual video on training**

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HNS training and exercising

Specific objective:

- Develop and trial an innovative training and exercise software tool aimed at shoreline maritime HNS incident preparedness for public health protection.
- Apply and incorporate EU and international cross-border preparedness protocols within exercise scenarios.
- Develop training materials packages and delivery of courses addressed to cover key issues of HNS preparedness and response, including modelling .

Manager: Public Health England.

Participants: CEDRE, Uvigo, AM, CIIMAR, INTECMAR.

Main results:

- **Web based database exercise tool**.
- **E-learning materials on exercises and risk assessment**.
- **Training package on HNS spill management**.
- **Training package on HNS modelling.**

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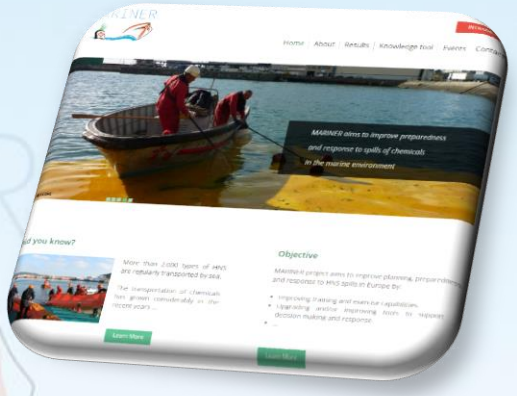
Communication

Specific objectives:

Transfer project outputs to competent authorities through targeted actions and to raise awareness among the general public.



Main results:

- **Website:** www.mariner-project.eu
- **Twitter:** @MARINER_HNS
- **Workshops:**
  - **Matosinhos (PT).** "Using Technology towards a better preparedness to HNS spills". 28th April 2017.
  - **Wales (UK).** Presentation of the web based database exercise tool and training session. 28th June 2017.
  - **Brest (FR).** Training course on HNS spill management. 12th – 14th September 2017.
- **Final Conference: Vigo (ES).** December 2017.
- **Introductory video: link**

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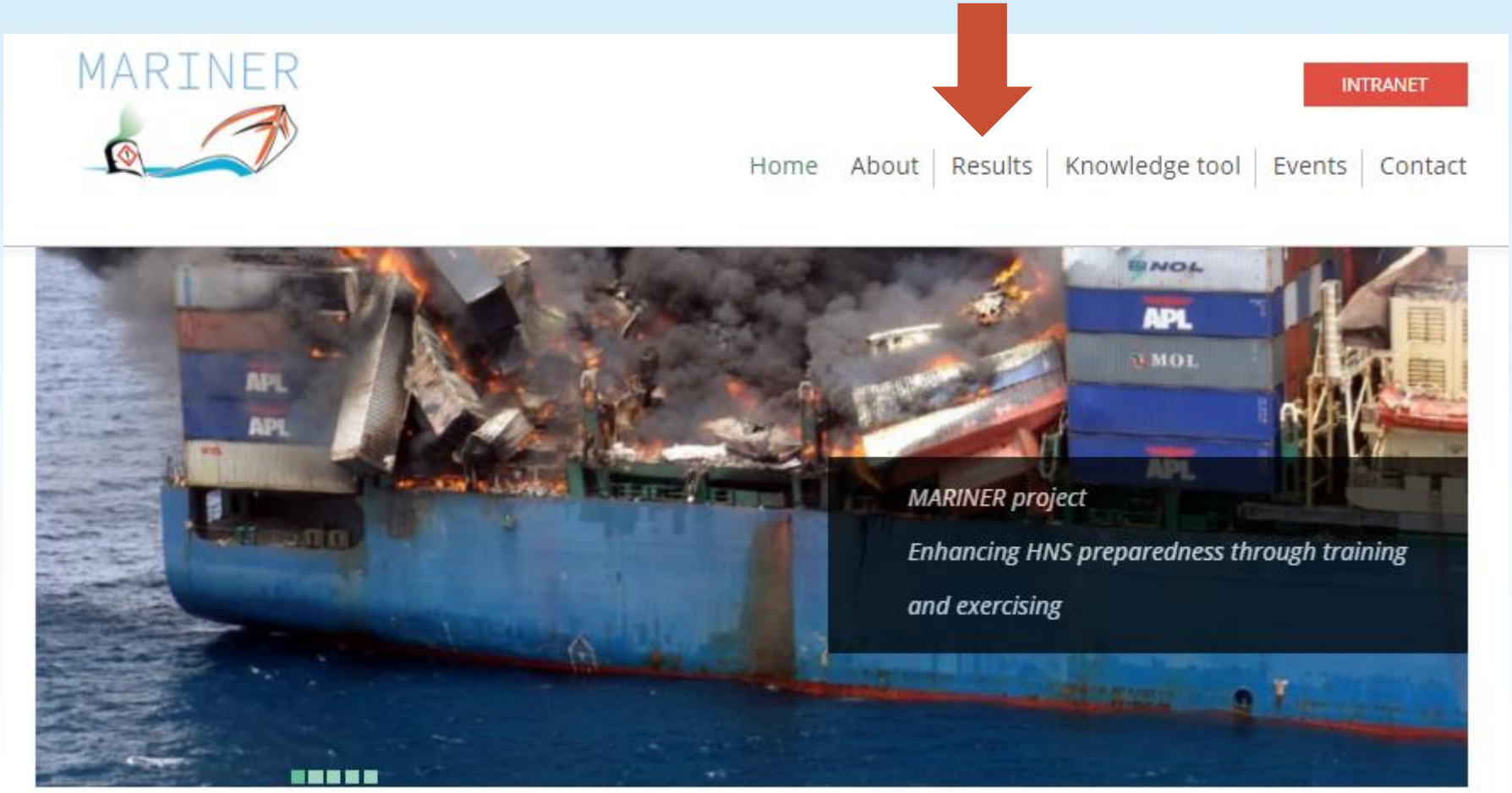

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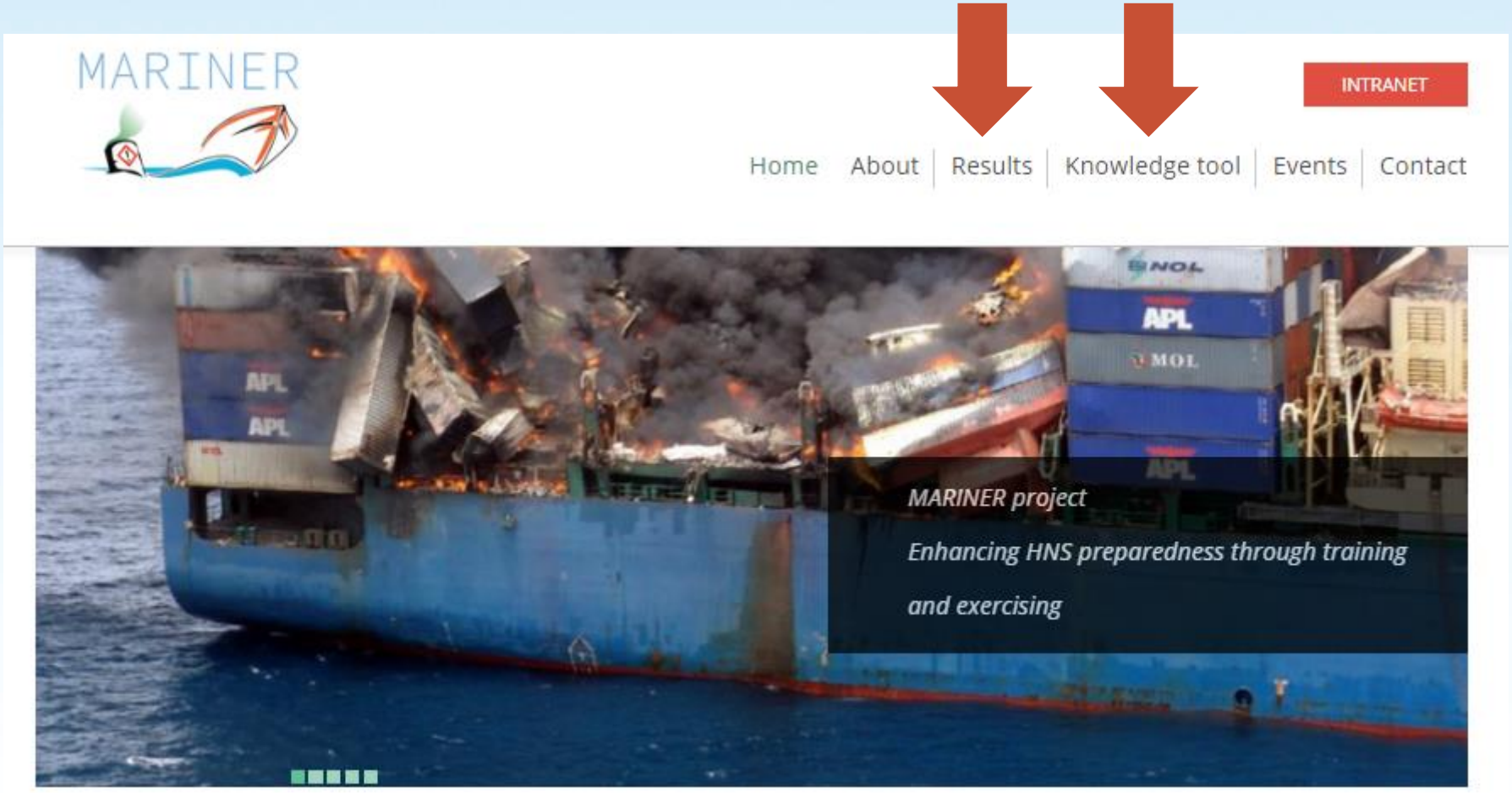

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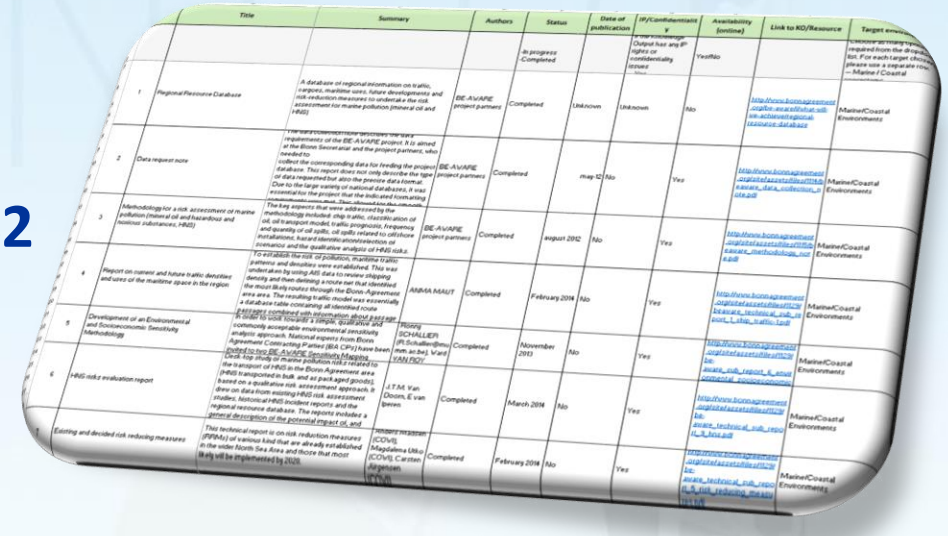
Resources recorded: 440

- **Sourced from projects: 298**
  - Number of projects assessed: 44
- **Sourced from organisations: 142**
  - Number of organisations: 28



Database:

- Title
- Summary
- Authors
- Link
- Target environment
- Area of knowledge
- Type
- Potential end user
- Language
- Potential applicability
- Geographical scope

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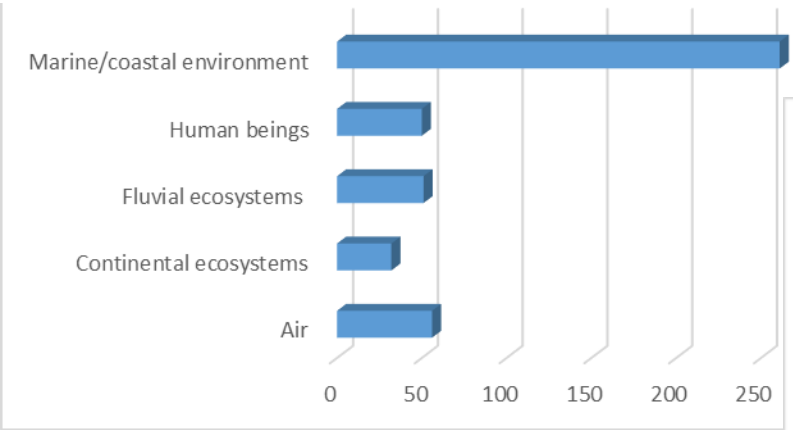
SOURCE: Projects

Target environment



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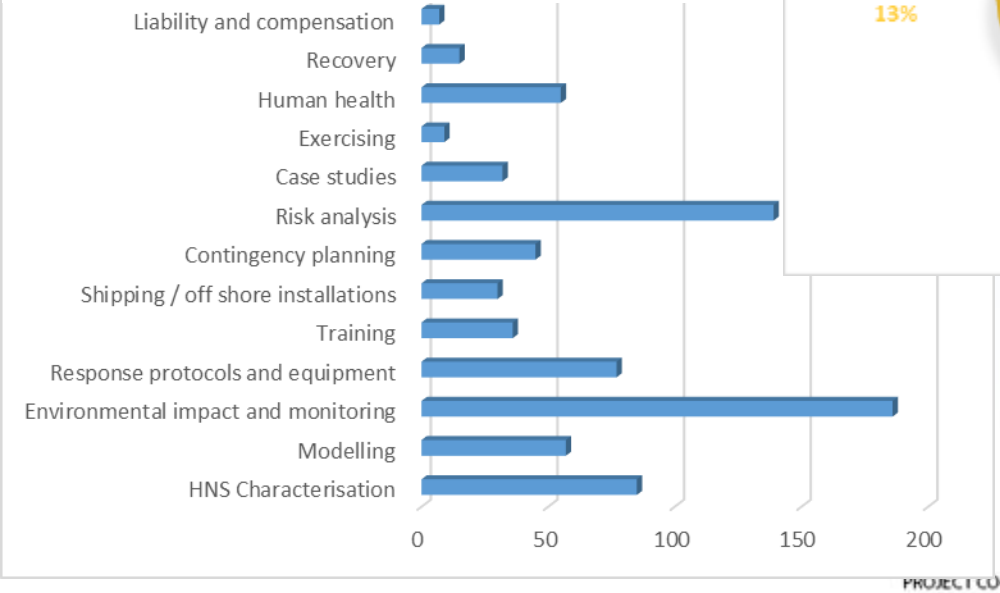

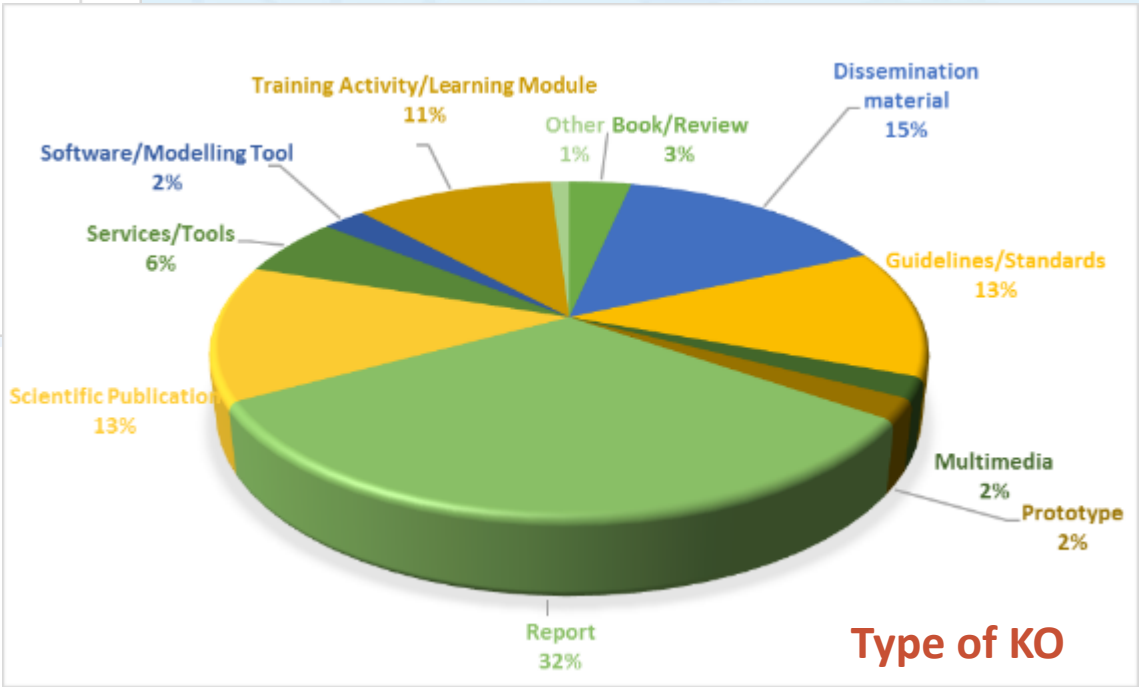

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SOURCE: Organisations

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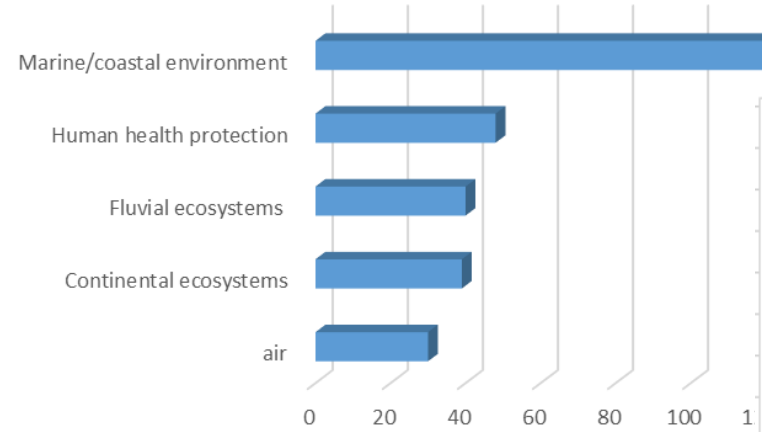

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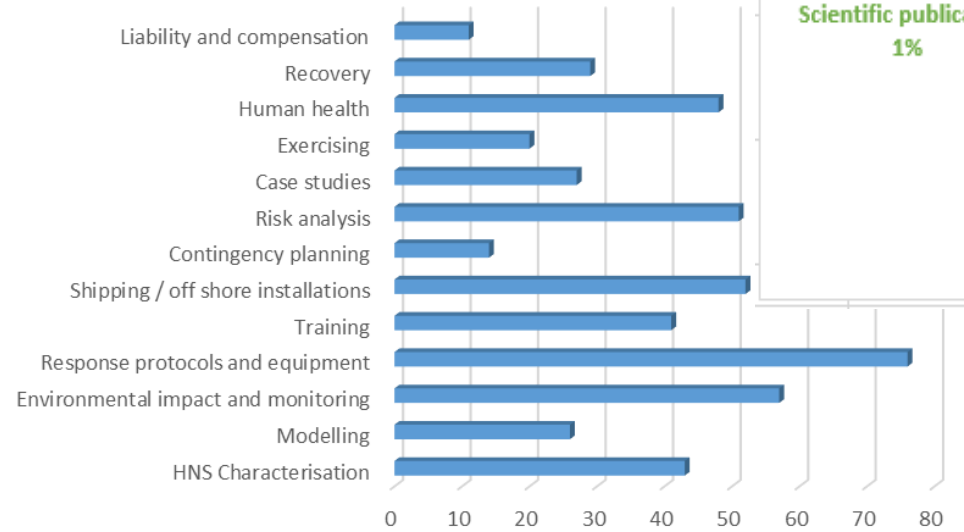

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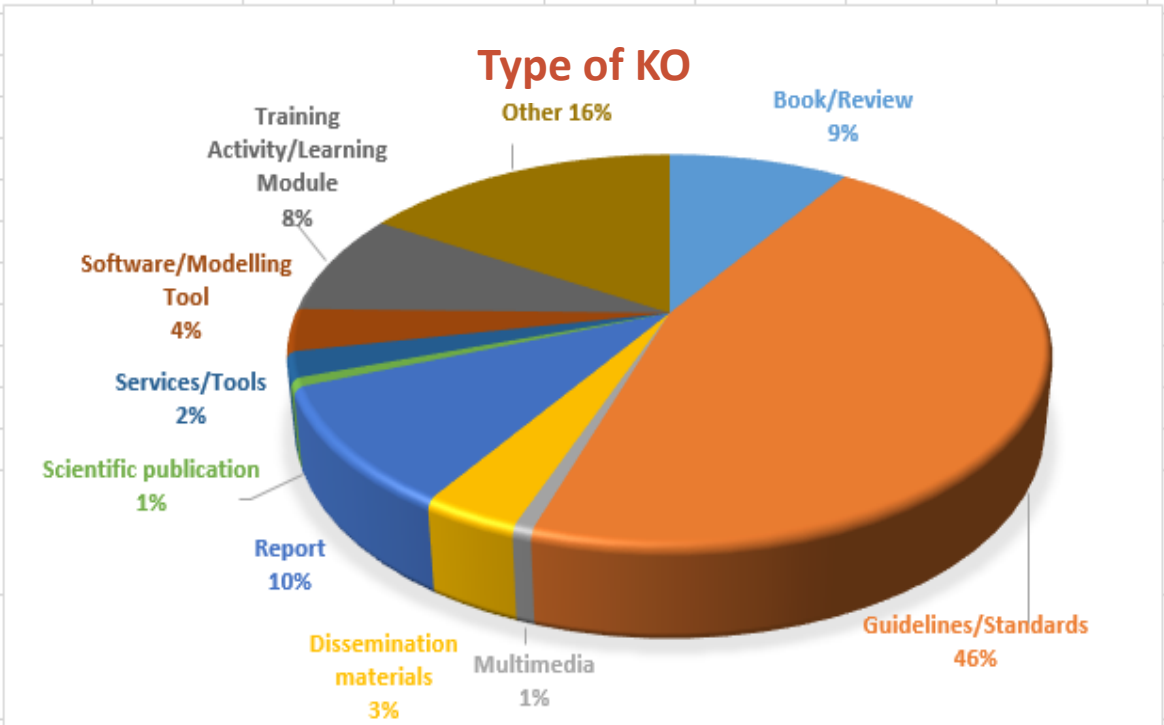

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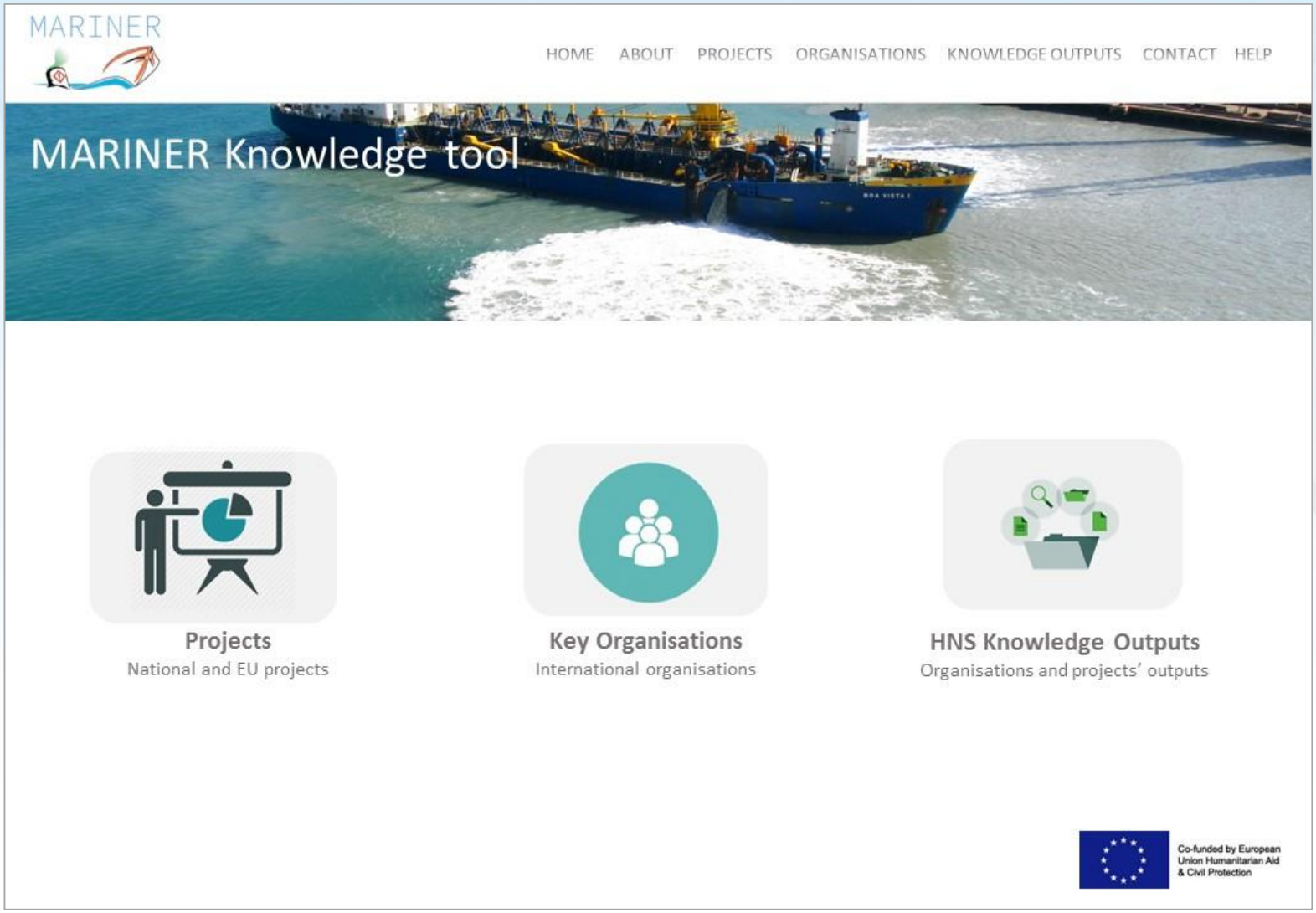

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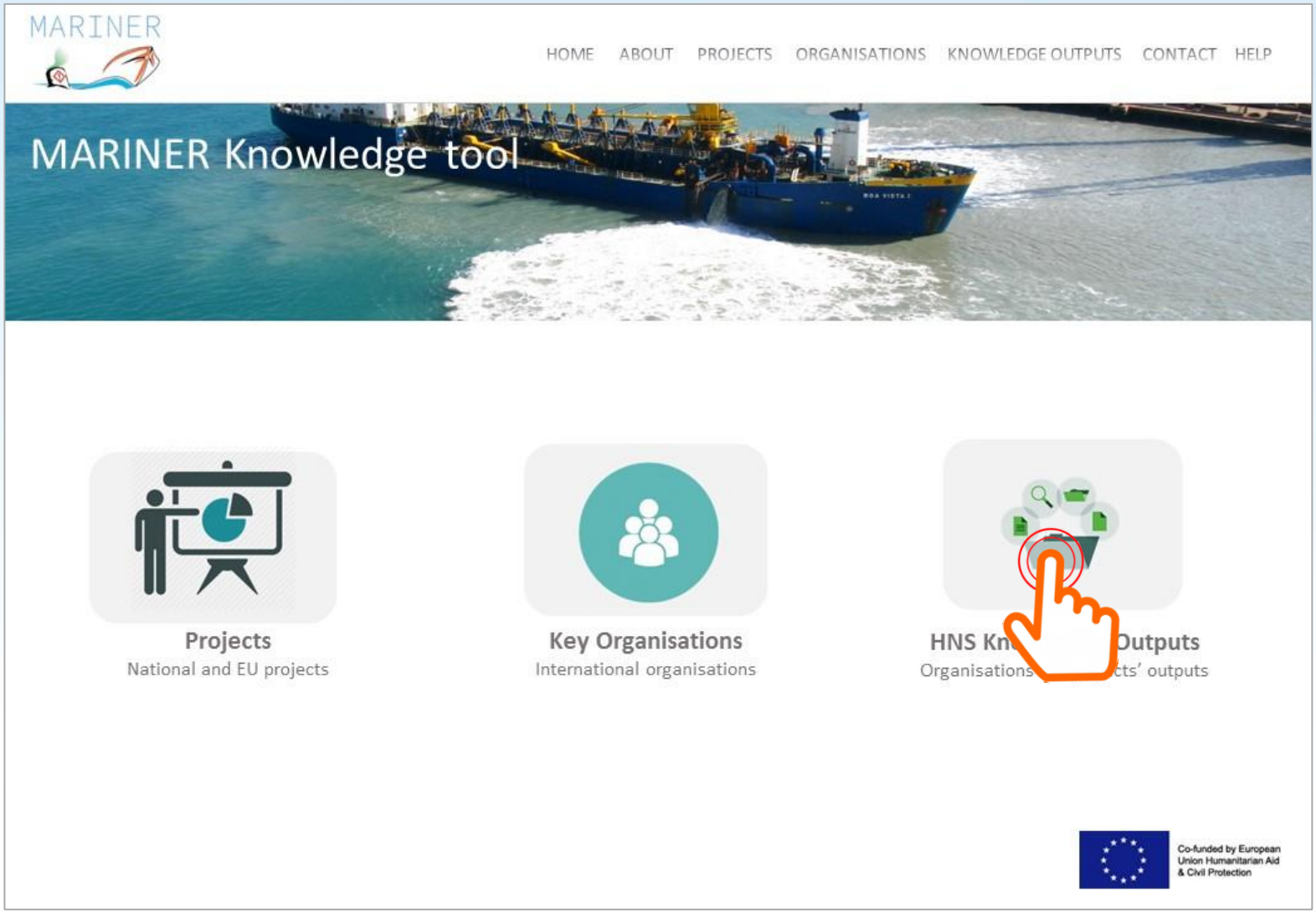

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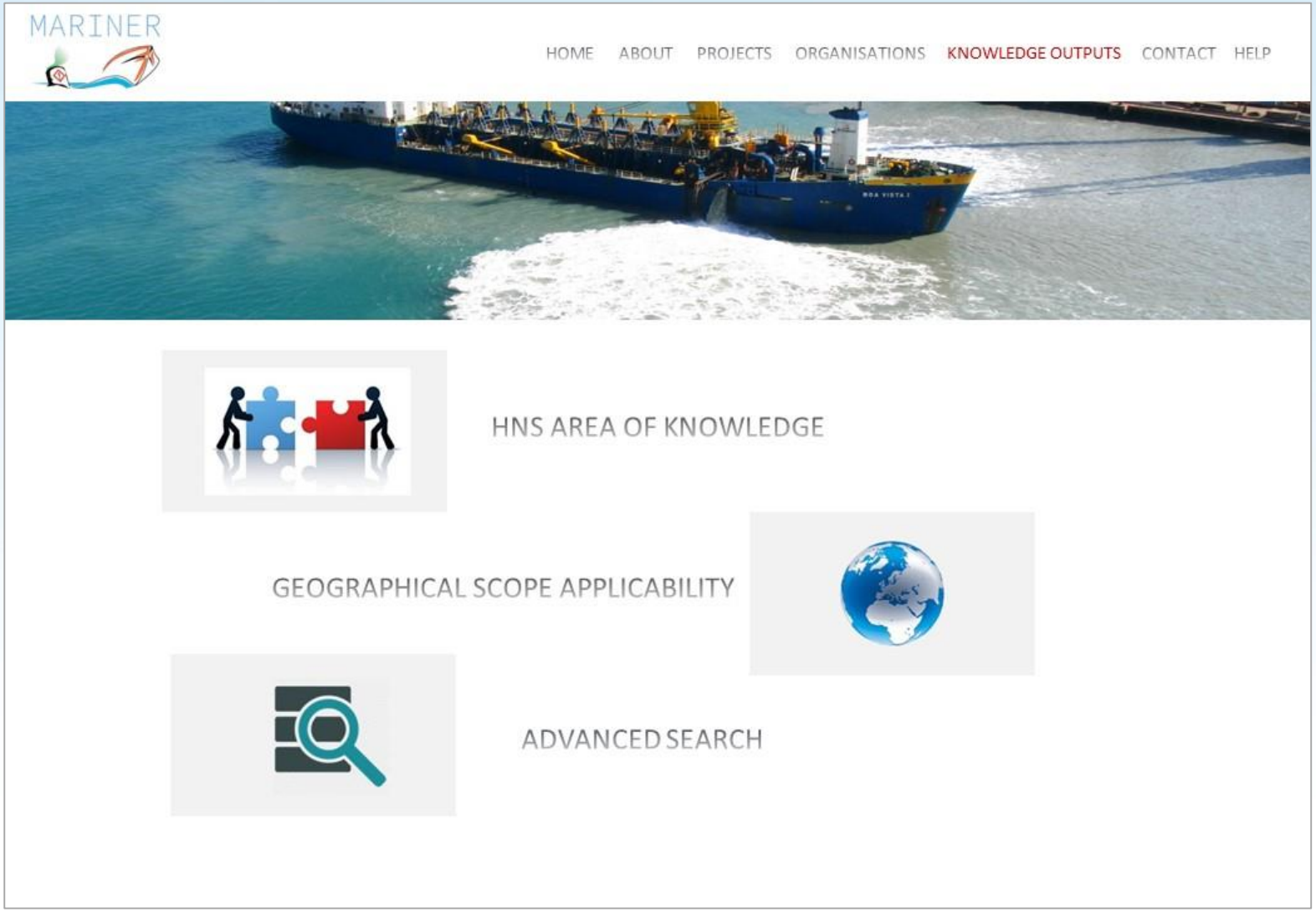

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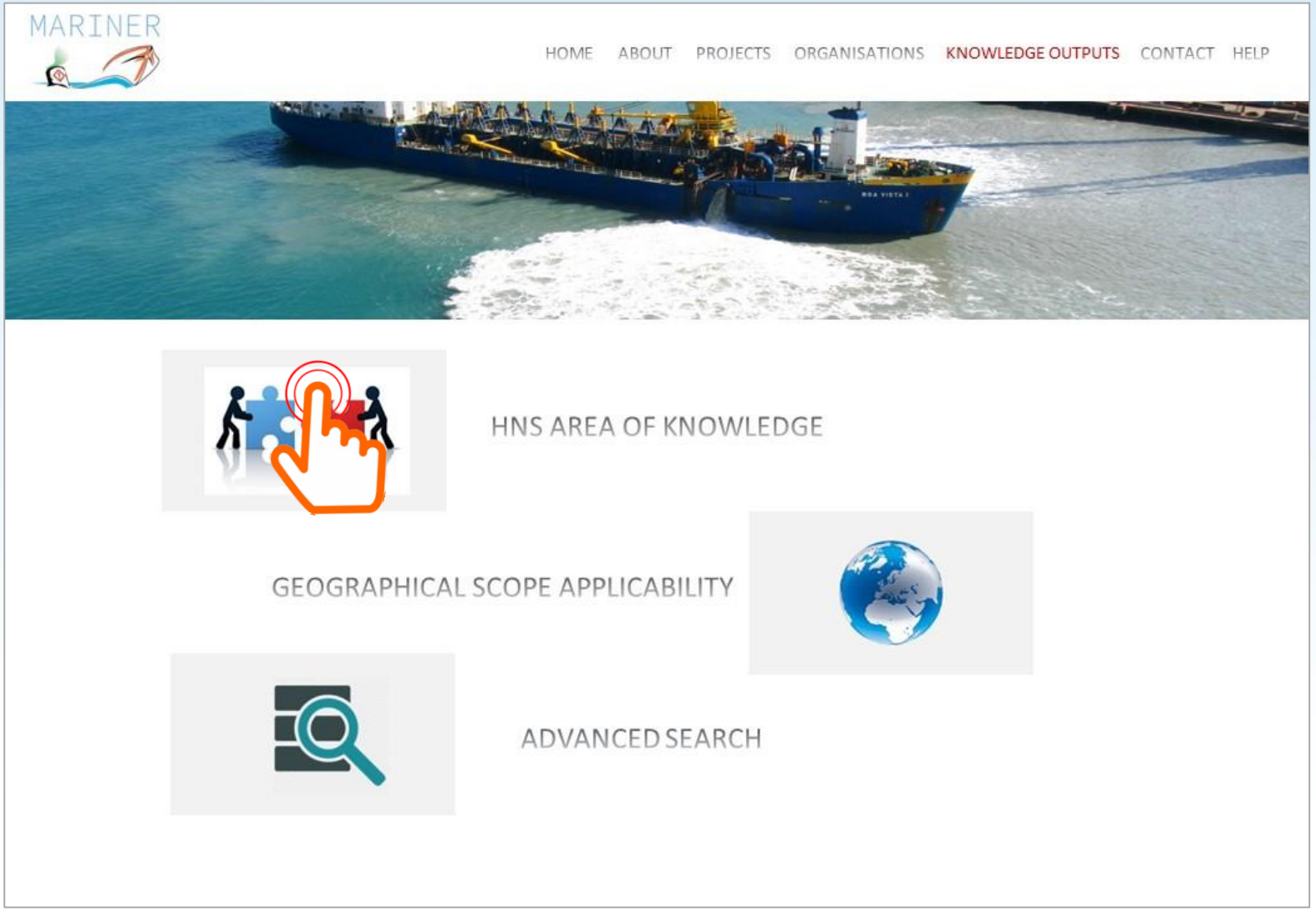

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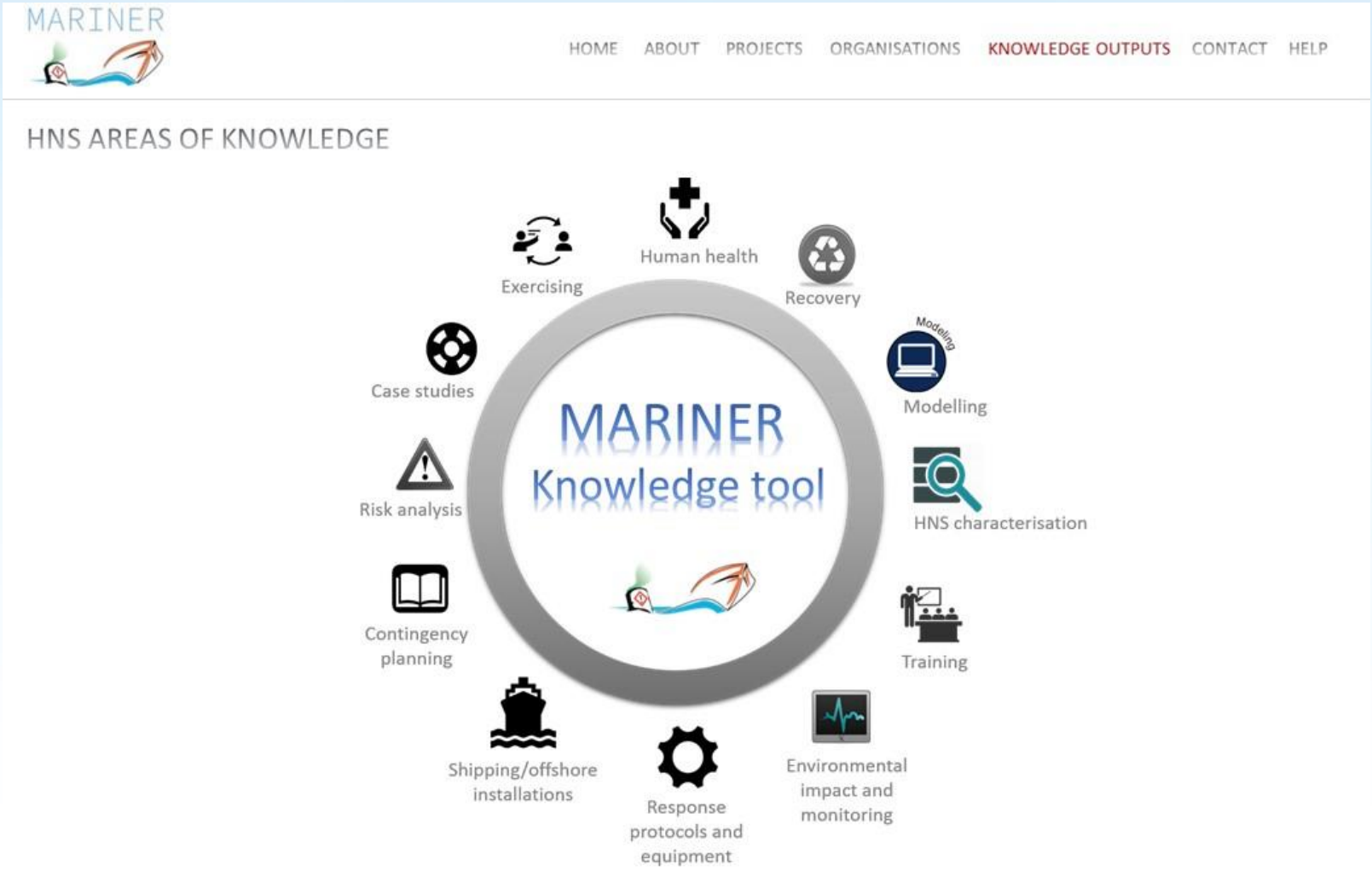

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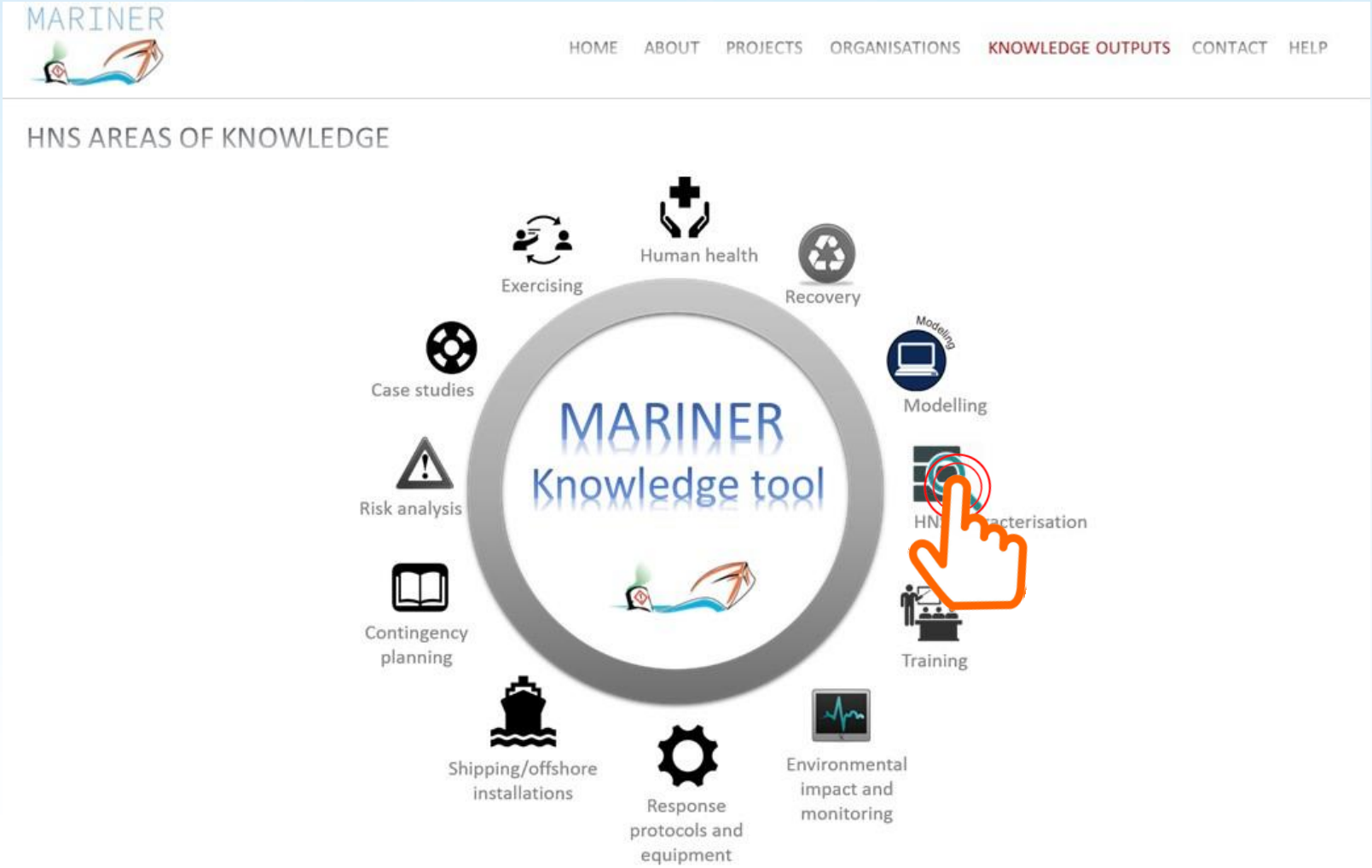

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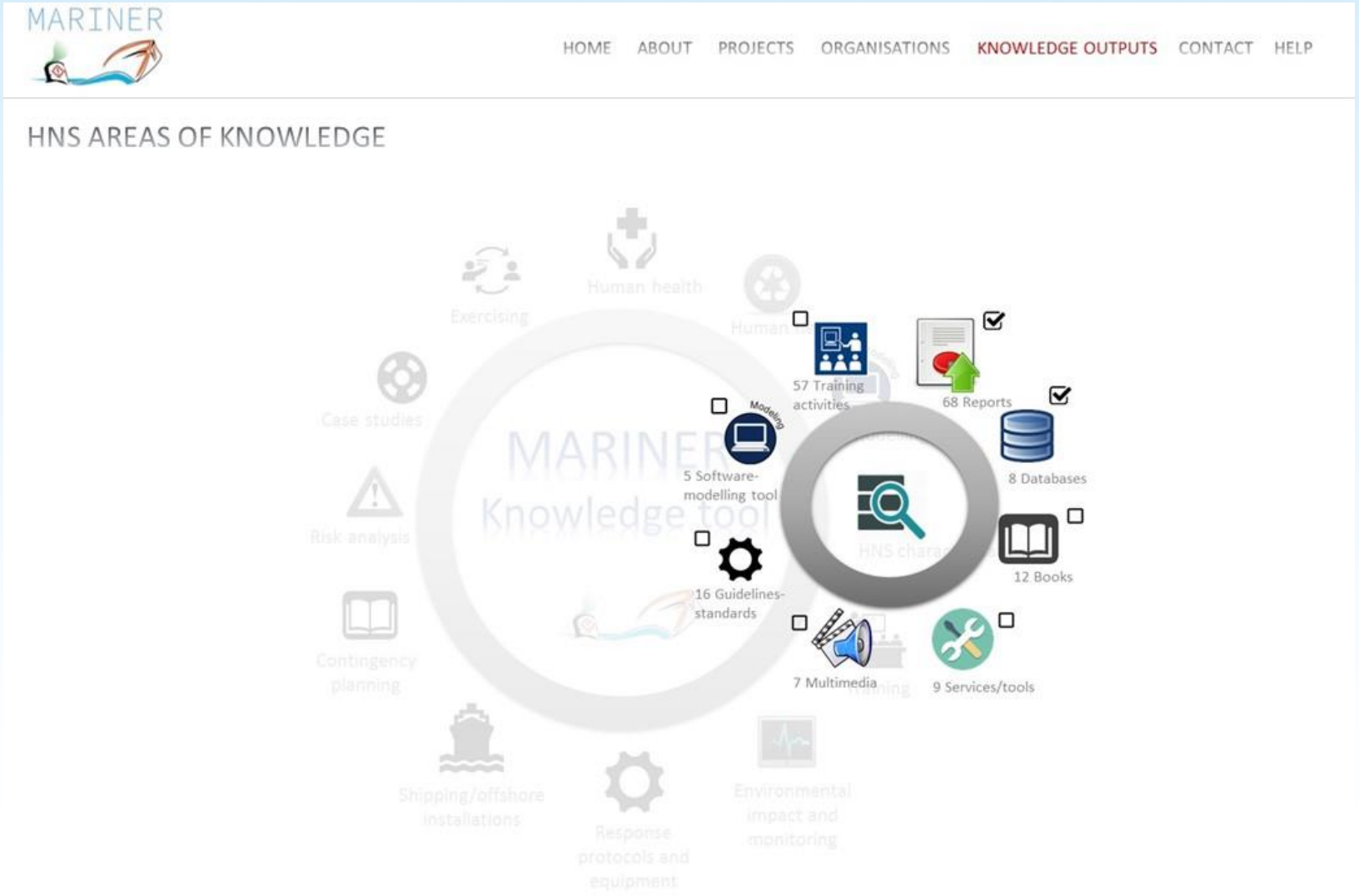

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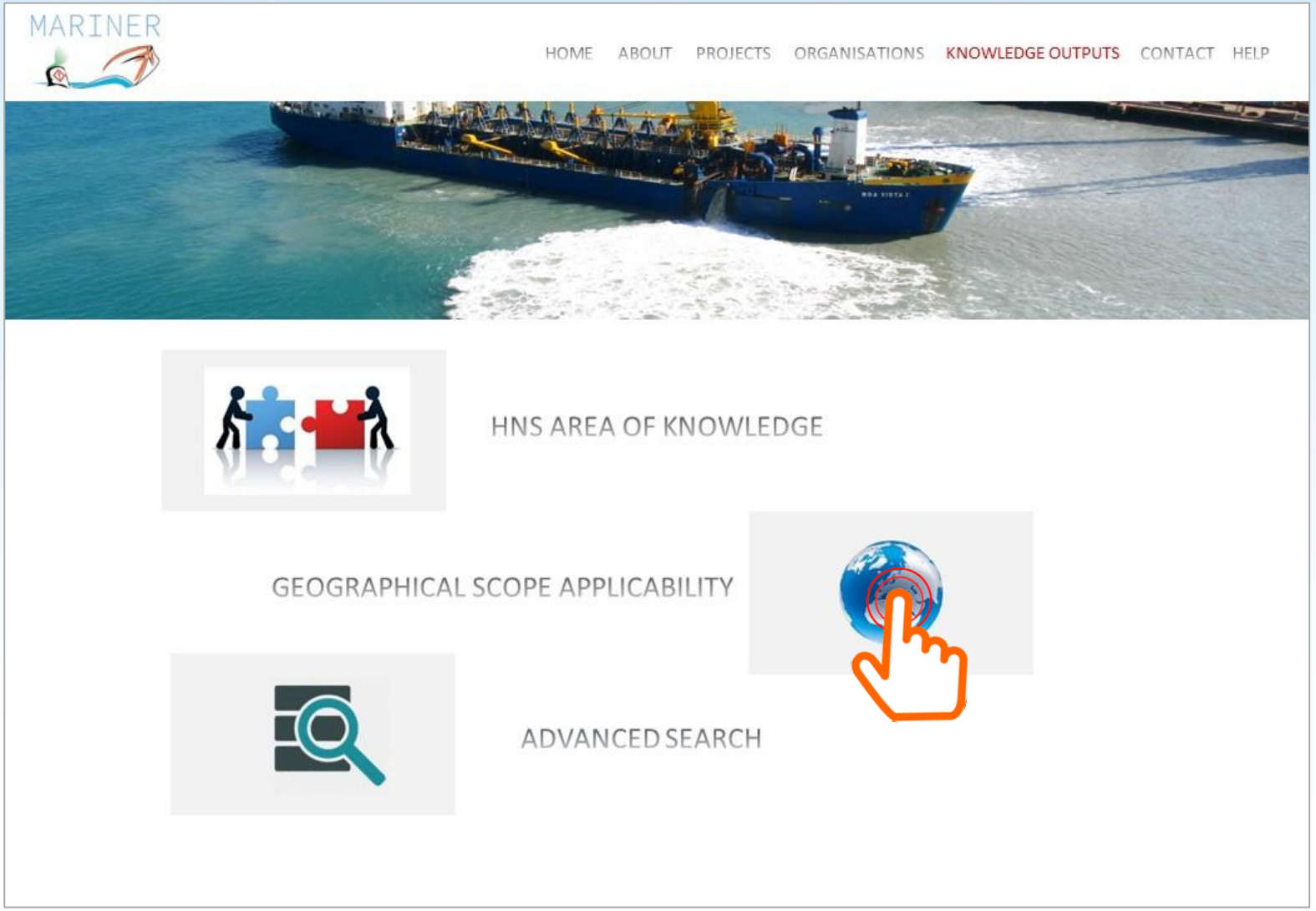

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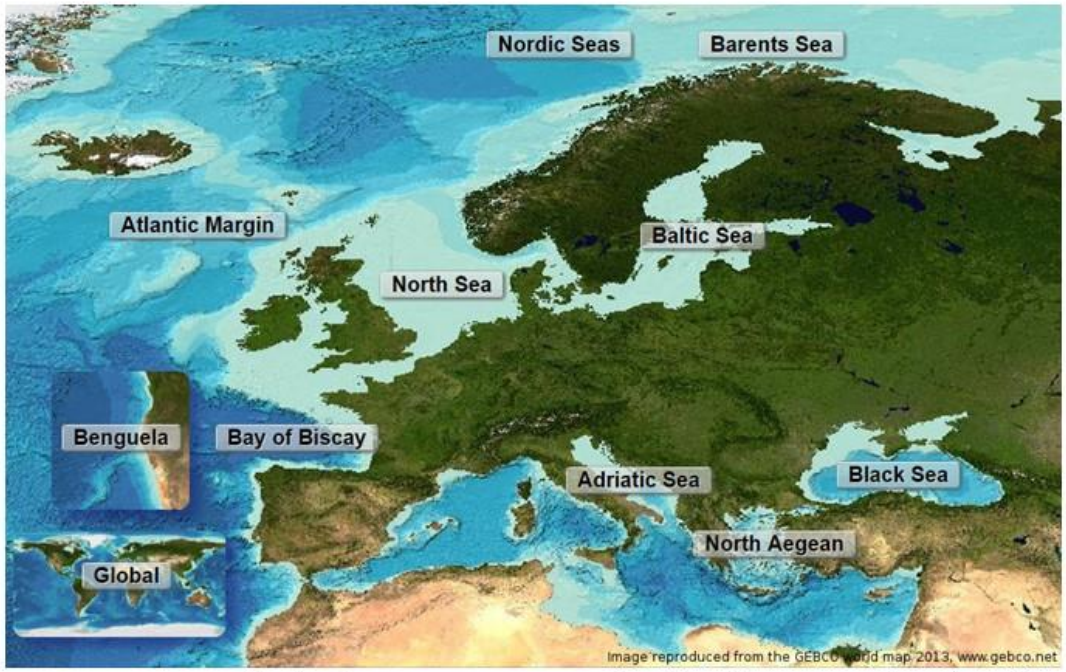

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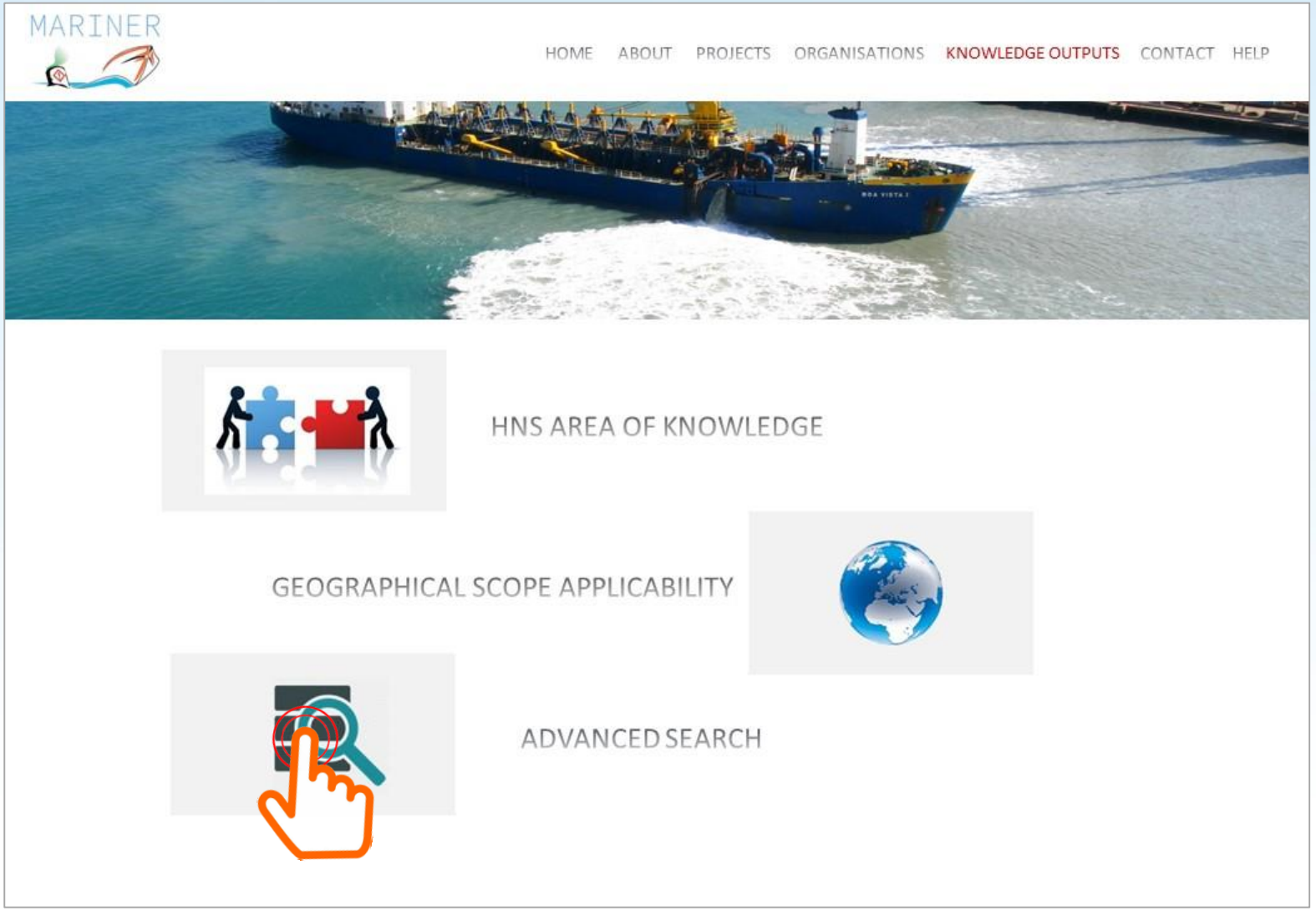

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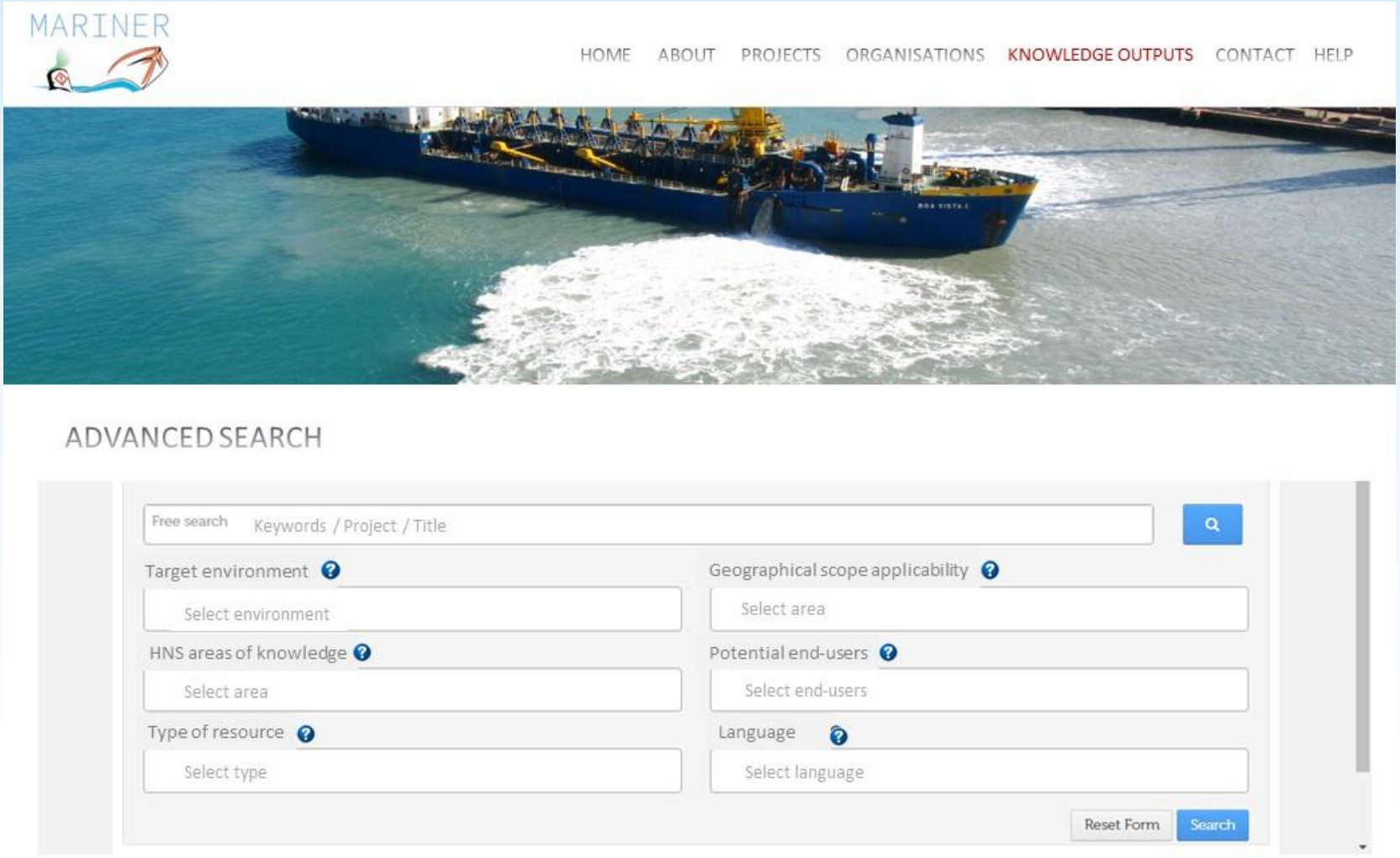

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