

Purple

Country profile

Country Purple is a non-European country. It is one of the biggest countries bordering the Sea of Colours, but it is not densely populated. Country Purple does not share land borders with any of the countries along the Sea of Colours. Although, country Purple is not part of the Sea of Colours Union, it works closely together with the other countries. The country has jurisdiction over 27 % of the Sea of Colours. The national government has the jurisdiction over the Purple EEZ, the jurisdiction up to the twelve miles zone is shared with regional governments.

The Purple country has some experience in maritime spatial planning, because it felt the need to safeguard both their oil production and fish stocks. The Purple country has found and is exploiting huge oil and gas reserves in their sea areas. Per capita it is the richest country among the six due to its access to minerals like oil and gas. The oil and gas reserves are concentrated in the western part of the Sea of Colours, and are expected to last for some more decades. The oil and gas industry has recently expressed interest in the use of CO₂ for enhanced oil recovery. Empty oil and gas field can be used for the storage of CO₂.

Country Purple has also a long history in fisheries; it is by far the biggest fish exporting country in the area. The fishing industry is the second largest export sector in Norway after oil and gas. The industry includes the traditional commercial fishing, as well as aquaculture and processing of all kinds of seafood at onshore facilities. The change of the sea water temperature resulted in more and more commercial fish stocks in the sea area, which attracts more and more fishermen from different nationalities in the Purple EEZ. Important fishing grounds for cod can be found in the Purple country, primarily. Aquaculture is a booming industry. The export of farmed seafood is now bigger than the wild caught seafood.

Planning of other activities is new in the Purple country, although the Purple country has designated a couple of Natura 2000 areas. The government is interested in electricity connections and export of oil and gas to the other countries around the Sea of Colours. Furthermore, tourism and recreation is an important industry. Yearly 10 million people visit the coastline of country Purple; cruise tourism is especially a growing market.

