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# **Food from the Sea**

## **The Future of Seafood**

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## Carbon footprint of seafood

- Seafood is the climate smart food
- Pelagic species are very low
- Farmed shellfish is particularly low
- *'If you want to save the planet...eat mussels for a starter and mackerel for a main course.'*

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## Marine Protected Areas

- **An excellent way to protect of rare, valuable and fragile marine features**
- **But not a fisheries management tool**
- **MPA's will simply divert fishing effort to other areas**
- **An example of fuzzy thinking**
- **The myth of Lamlash Bay**

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**How to feed the world – 11 billion by 2050?**

- **Farm the land more intensively?**
- **Or harvest seafood from the sea that covers 75% of the globe?**
- **Seafood is part of the solution – not the problem**

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## Conclusions

- **Public ignorance about the low carbon footprint of seafood**
- **Fuzzy thinking about MPA's**
- **Seafood is a large part of the solution to climate change and global hunger**







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