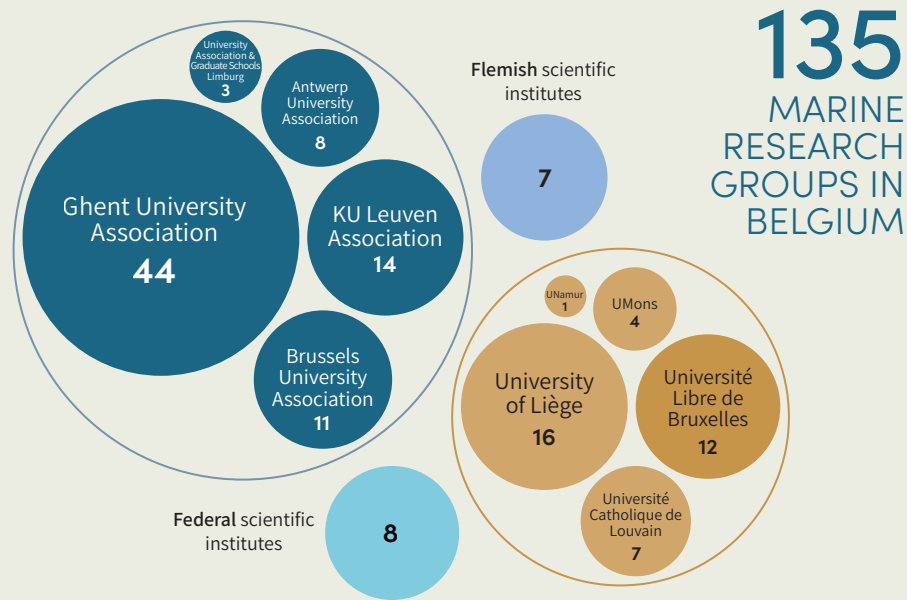
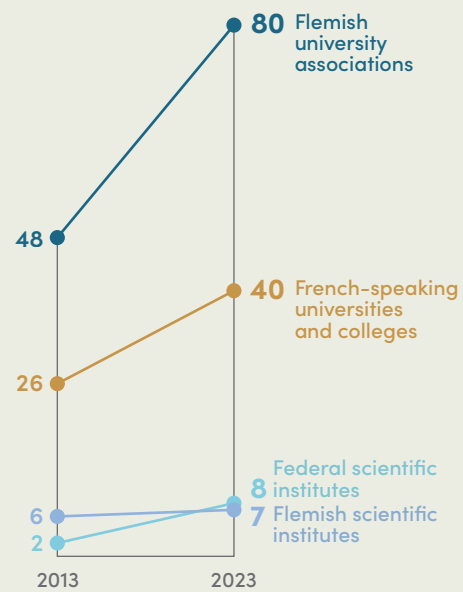


2023 MARINE RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

As the importance of seas and the ocean in sustainably addressing major societal challenges is growing, a similar boost in our marine knowledge and innovation capacity is urgently needed. The Belgian marine research landscape lives up to this challenge with a growing and multidisciplinary community, operating within a dynamic and par excellence international context.

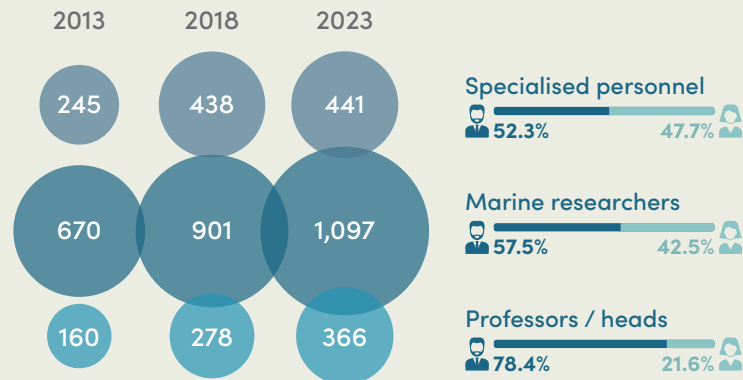
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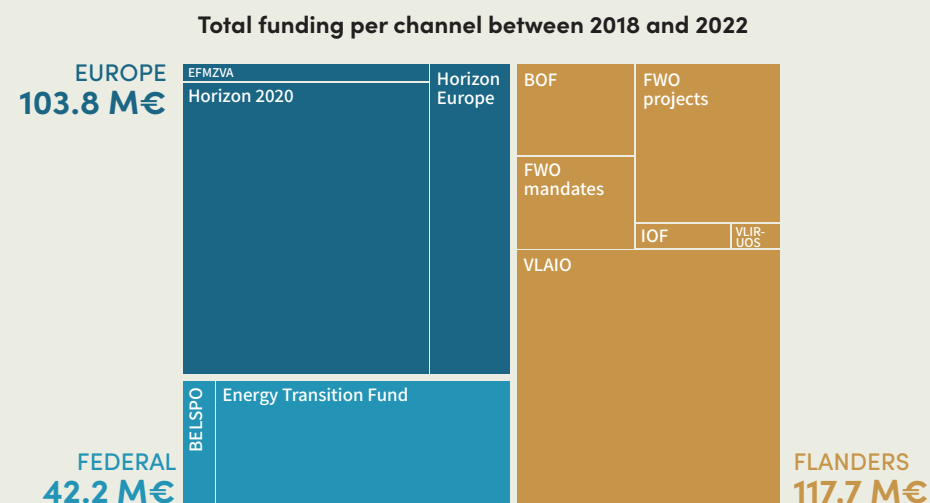
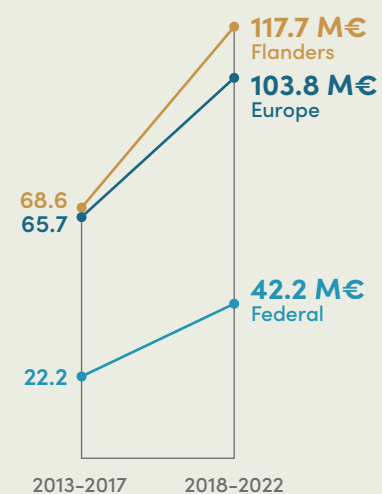
1,904 MARINE STAFF

The increase in marine staff during the last decade places Belgium among the top five worldwide in terms of marine researchers per capita. For the first time, the Belgian percentage of women in marine sciences surpasses the global average, yet the representation of women in leading positions remains lower.

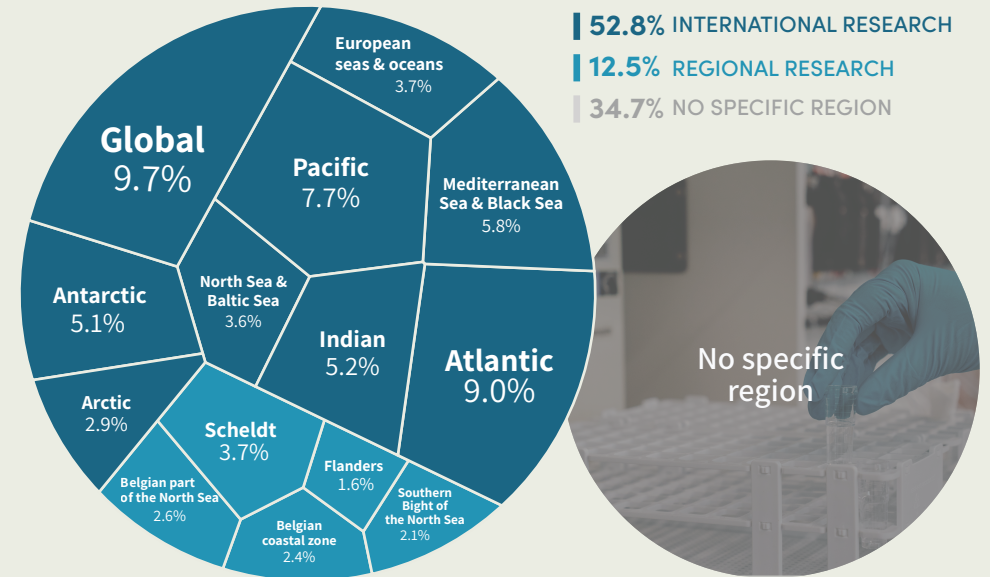
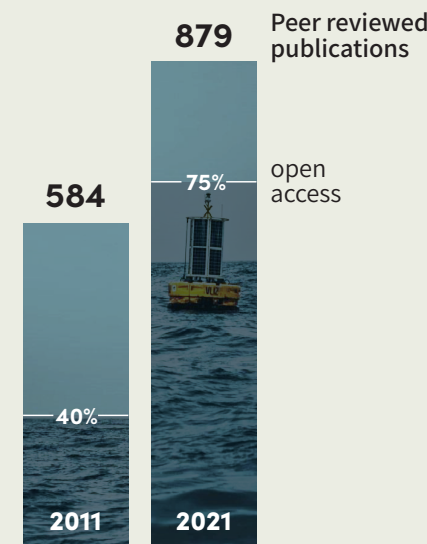
39.6% WOMEN



FINANCING



RESEARCH OUTPUT



Relative Citation Rate

The Belgian marine research community - covering various (sub)disciplines - has realised a notable surge in the citation impact over the past decade, currently ranking amongst the leading countries and holding a subtop position within Flemish research domains.

