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6. **150-word summary abstract**

The major problems of the EU fisheries are linked to shortcomings in the forms of management developed within the sector. Since fisheries management deals with managing humans rather than fish, it has become clear that the human capital, from decision-makers and fisheries scientists to people working in the fishing industry or buying fish for dinner, is crucial to its success. The European Training Network *SAF21 - Social Science Aspects of Fisheries for the 21st Century* is an EU funded Marie Skłodowska-Curie project whose training program has a special focus on coaching doctoral candidates both in academic and transferable skills necessary to the interdisciplinary understanding of fisheries as socio-ecological complex adaptive systems. These skills will increase their rate of successful international, intersectoral and interdisciplinary mobility and, consequently, enhance their overall employability. Building on its four pillars (Personal Career Development Plans, secondments, mandatory network-wide training, and practice in science communication), the SAF21 project is training interdisciplinary specialists in the analysis of human social behavior, experts able to bridge disciplines such as computer science, text analytics, biology, science communication, human geography and social sciences. These doctoral candidates will contribute to diversifying the fisheries related human capital for the better management of natural resources.

7. **Photo and short bio of the speaker or main author of poster**
8. **Any special requirements:** no