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Marine Natura 2000 in Slovenia: priority sites (SPAs) and challenges

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**Existing marine Natura 2000 sites**

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B – breeding; W – wintering; S - summering

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10,000 breeding pairs / 30,000 individuals

Breeding colony size
- <100 b.p.
- 1001-1500 b.p.

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The main challenges

- Lack of tradition in marine ornithology
- Identification of IBAs
- Stakeholders
- Political will and decision making

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