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### WHO WE ARE

CASCAISEA, is an non-profit environmental Association founded in Cascais in the summer of 2019 with the mission to actively defend the oceans and their ecosystems.

Our aim is, through our members and supporters, to act in an altruistic, voluntary and coordinated way to minimize or avoid any damage that may jeopardize the life of our Oceans and, more specifically, the sea off Cascais.

### **OUR MISSION**

In order to help fight the climate emergency, pollution and environmental degradation, Miguel Lacerda has brought together a group of people from Cascais who are truly committed to this cause. CASCAISEA will, within its possibilities and limitations, do everything it can to restore the Oceans' ecosystems, to guarantee a better and more sustainable life for present and future generations and species, as well as for our planet.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DIRECTORS

President: Miguel Lacerda

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President: António D'Orey Capucho

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OUR FOUNDER MIGUEL LACERDA



Miguel Lacerda, born and raised in Cascais, is a diver, sailor, environmental activist and pioneer of ocean clean-up action in Portugal.

Honoured with a medal of municipal merit for defense of the environment and nature conservation (2009), Miguel collects more than 30 thousand litres of marine waste per year along the Portuguese coast and under the sea and wants future generations to be able to enjoy the oceans as much as he does.

#### WHAT WE DO

CASCAISEA is an important asset for the protection of the Oceans, particularly the sea off Cascais. At a time when humankind's transformation and technological development is drastically interfering with marine ecosystems, and the anthropocentric impact on the planetary biosphere is unprecedented – compromising present and future generations, as well as the survival of various species – we are attentive to everything that may harm or compromise the oceans and marine life.



1. WE ARE READY TO ACT TO MINIMIZE OR SOLVE SPECIFIC OR FUTURE SITUATIONS THAT MAY COMPROMISE THE ENVIRONMENT.

2. WE ARE CRITICS AND WHISTLE-BLOWERS OF EVERYTHING THAT IS A RESULT OF NEGLIGENCE, ARROGANCE, OPPORTUNISM AND COMPLACENCY.

3. WE CARRY OUT STUDIES ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, BOTH ON LAND AND AT SEA.

4. WE FOSTER CITIZENS' AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF DEFENDING THE ENVIRONMENT.

5. WE ORGANIZE WORK, STUDIES, ACTIVITIES, ACTION AND REGULAR INTERVENTIONS.

6. WE COLLABORATE WITH ENTITIES, AUTHORITIES, ASSOCIATIONS, NGOS, SCHOOLS, COMPANIES, AND CLUBS, ETC.

7. WE CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE SEA.

8. WE SUPPORT AND COLLABORATE IN THE RECOVERY AND REUSE OF PROFESSIONAL FISHING EQUIPMENT.

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