



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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*Dear President,*

*The Commission would like to thank the Senat for its response to the Green Paper "Marine Knowledge 2020: from seabed mapping to ocean forecasting" {COM(2012) 473 final} and apologizes for the long delay in replying.*

*The Commission appreciates the Senat's analysis of the Green Paper and the comprehensive comments to the subjects raised in the Green Paper.*

*All the responses to the consultation were published on DG-MARE's website: [http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/maritimeaffairs\\_fisheries/consultations/marine-knowledge-2020/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/maritimeaffairs_fisheries/consultations/marine-knowledge-2020/index_en.htm). The Opinions expressed in the consultation will feed into an impact assessment where options for follow-up legislative actions will be evaluated.*

*The Commission looks forward to continuing the political dialogue on this issue with the Senat in future.*

*Yours faithfully,*

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