

Iceland Ocean Cluster — Reykjavík's Full-Fish-Utilisation Blue Economy Hub

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Quality score: 81/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Founded in 2011, the Iceland Ocean Cluster's self-funded Ocean Cluster House grew from 12 to over 70 resident marine firms, helping lift Icelandic whitefish utilisation from about 50% to roughly 80–90% and spinning out 100+ 'full fish' start-ups.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	3/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	3/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-15

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