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CTL systems and services are developed by teams that are experienced in fisheries, environmental management and aquaculture, and in working closely with clients to ensure that their needs are fully met. ([www.cefastechnology.co.uk](http://www.cefastechnology.co.uk))

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A rapid response to unforeseen events in the marine environment can prevent or reduce long-term impacts. We work with our customers when such circumstances arise, assessing the situation and advising on impact management. Whether it is a hazard or risk assessment, application of a specialist technique, or a site-specific study that is required, we will deploy a team of in-house experts to deal with the situation.

We believe that through the transfer of skills and expertise meeting the challenge CEFAS works with governments and private sector clients around the world to solve the challenges of coastal and offshore environmental management. Our expertise in monitoring, assessing and predicting the effects of human activities, against a background of natural change in the marine environment, has been built up over fifty years. Our scientific and management consultancy services cover a wide range of coastal and marine activities, including aggregate extraction, dredging, offshore wind farm development, fishing, aquaculture, oil and gas production, effluent discharge and coastal development. We also advise governments on the development, implementation and regulation of legislation to protect the marine environment, and assist developers and industry to understand and comply with legislation.

Environmental assessment, monitoring and strategic management. We have an established track record of delivering large-scale, multi-disciplinary consortium based projects. We work in a focused, confidential and impartial way to deliver our projects to the budget and schedule agreed with our customers. Our expertise covers the full cycle of project planning, implementation, evaluation, decision-making, management and monitoring. We undertake a range of projects from the delivery of routine surveillance monitoring through to the development of institutional frameworks and the provision of advice and practical support for capacity building.

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Harnessing technology. Access to high quality, accurate and robust data is crucial for decision-making and strategy development. We utilise the latest technology for in-situ monitoring as the most cost-effective way to collect spatial and temporal data.

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Institutional strengthening. As an advisor on regulatory issues to the UK Government we are well placed to assist enforcement agencies and policy makers worldwide with the development and implementation of policy and legislation for protecting the environment.

Skills transfer. We believe that through the transfer of skills and expertise we can enable governments internationally to develop their own technical capabilities for environmental monitoring and assessment. This provides the regulators with the information required for making strategic management decisions and developing policy. We have undertaken capacity-building projects to governments directly, and on behalf of the EU and international donor agencies.

Training. We provide customised training courses for clients in a range of analytical techniques and the methodology used for monitoring and assessing the marine environment. These courses can be undertaken at our UK laboratories or delivered by our scientists on site. We also advise on the design and installation of new facilities, such as analytical equipment and monitoring instrumentation, to enable the complete transfer of skills to our client’s laboratories.
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