

*Until now there is no real aquaculture for the Atlantic Bluefin Tuna in the Mediterranean. The present strategy of Atlantic Bluefin Tuna fisheries is to catch live and mature fish during their spawning migration, separate them into large net pens, tow them near the shore and fat them for several month until they get slaughtered. Mostly the fish caught have not spawned yet and do not start to spawn naturally during the fattening process. Due to these facts the actual way of tuna farming is not sustainable and supports the depression of the stocks.*

*Within the EU-funded DOTT, REPRODOTT, [SELFDOTT](#) and [TRANSDOTT](#) projects as well as in the Italian ALLOTUNA project the first European reproduction successes were achieved with assistance of TunaTech scientists. The ultimate aim of these projects was to replace wild caught fish with fish out of sustainable aquaculture which is still the main target TUNATECH. At the present time the company is involved in the planning and building of a large scale Tuna Propagation Facility in Egypt on the Mediterranean coast and in a pilot BFT restocking facility in Malta.*