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# Sustainable Marine Ecosystem Services and Transboundary Marine Spatial Planning in Yellow Sea

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# ***Communication Outline***

**Mainstreaming MES into SAP for YSLME**

**Sprouting-out of Marine Spatial Planning**

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# **Mainstreaming MES into SAP for YSLME**

# Evolution of Spatial Management

Urban Planning

Coastal Planning

Marine (Spatial) Planning



resolution 69/292, 19 June 2015

72/249, 24 December 2017



Coastal Management Act (1999)

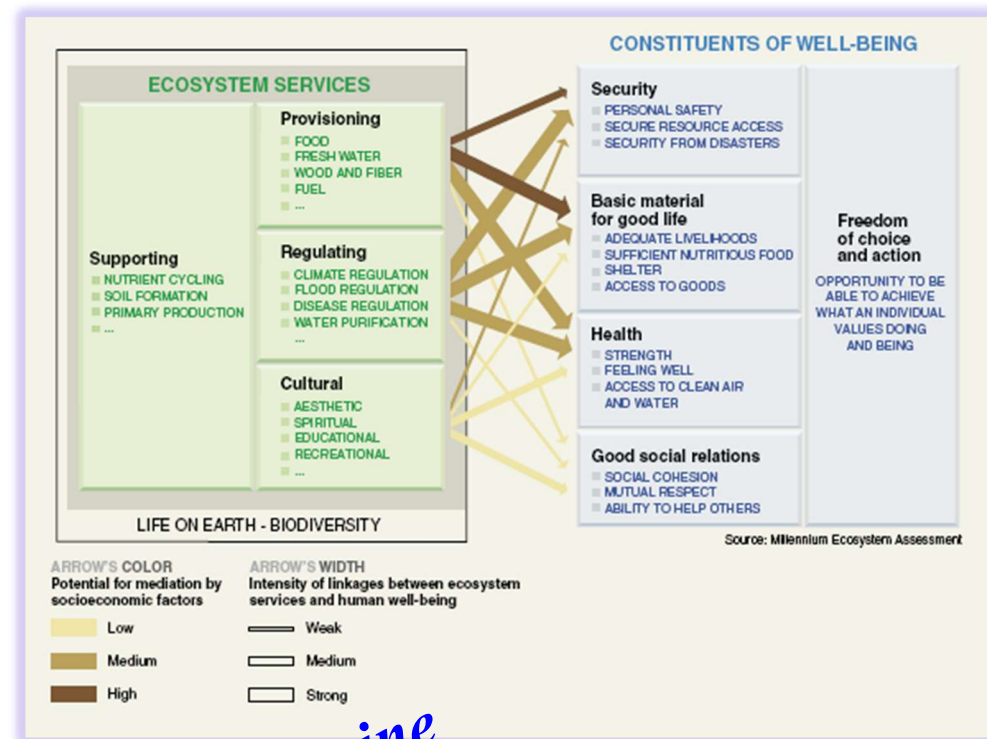
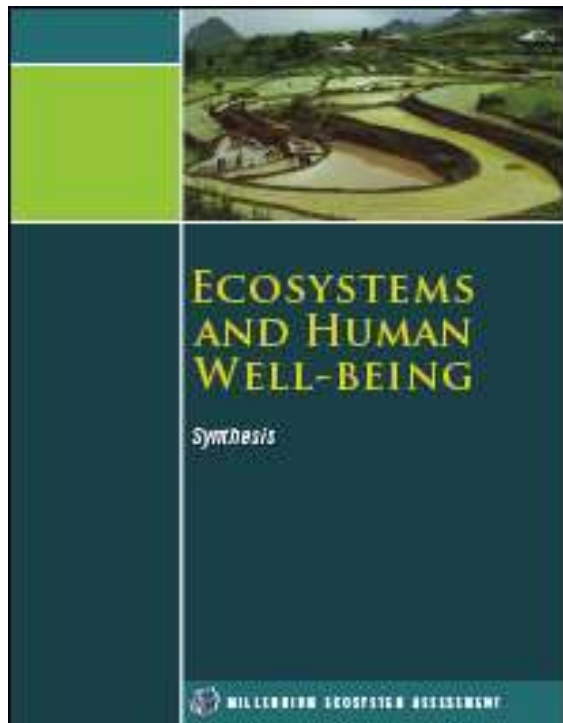
Marine Spatial Planning and  
Management Act (2018)

(Nam, 2019)

# Emerging ES concept as a Global Agenda for Sustainable Future

*Marine*

## What is the Ecosystem Service?



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Benefits people obtain from ecosystems (MA, 2005)

**ECOSYSTEM SERVICES**

	Coastal									Marine		
	Estuaries and marshes	Mangroves	Lagoon and salt ponds	Intertidal	Kelp	Rock and shell reefs	Seagrass	Coral reefs	Inner shelf	Outer shelves edges slopes	Seamounts & mid-ocean ridges	Deep sea and central gyres
<b>Biodiversity</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Provisioning services</b>												
Food	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Fibre, timber, fuel	X	X	X						X	X		X
Medicines, other resources	X	X	X		X				X			
<b>Regulating services</b>												
Biological regulation	X	X	X	X		X		X				
Freshwater storage and retention	X		X									
Hydrological balance	X		X									
Atmospheric and climate regulation	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X
Human disease control	X	X	X	X		X	X	X				
Waste processing	X	X	X				X	X				
Flood/storm protection	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Erosion control	X	X	X				X	X				
<b>Cultural services</b>												
Cultural and amenity	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Recreational	X	X	X	X	X			X				
Aesthetics	X		X	X				X				
Education and research	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Supporting services</b>												
Biochemical	X	X			X			X				
Nutrient cycling and fertility	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X

(UNEP, 2006)

UNESCO-IOC, 2009

**Renewable Goods**

- Marine animals for food
- Marine animals for recreation, e.g., whale watching
- Seaweed
- Medicines
- Other raw materials, e.g., building materials, ornaments
- Energy, e.g., wind, wave, tidal, thermal
- Water

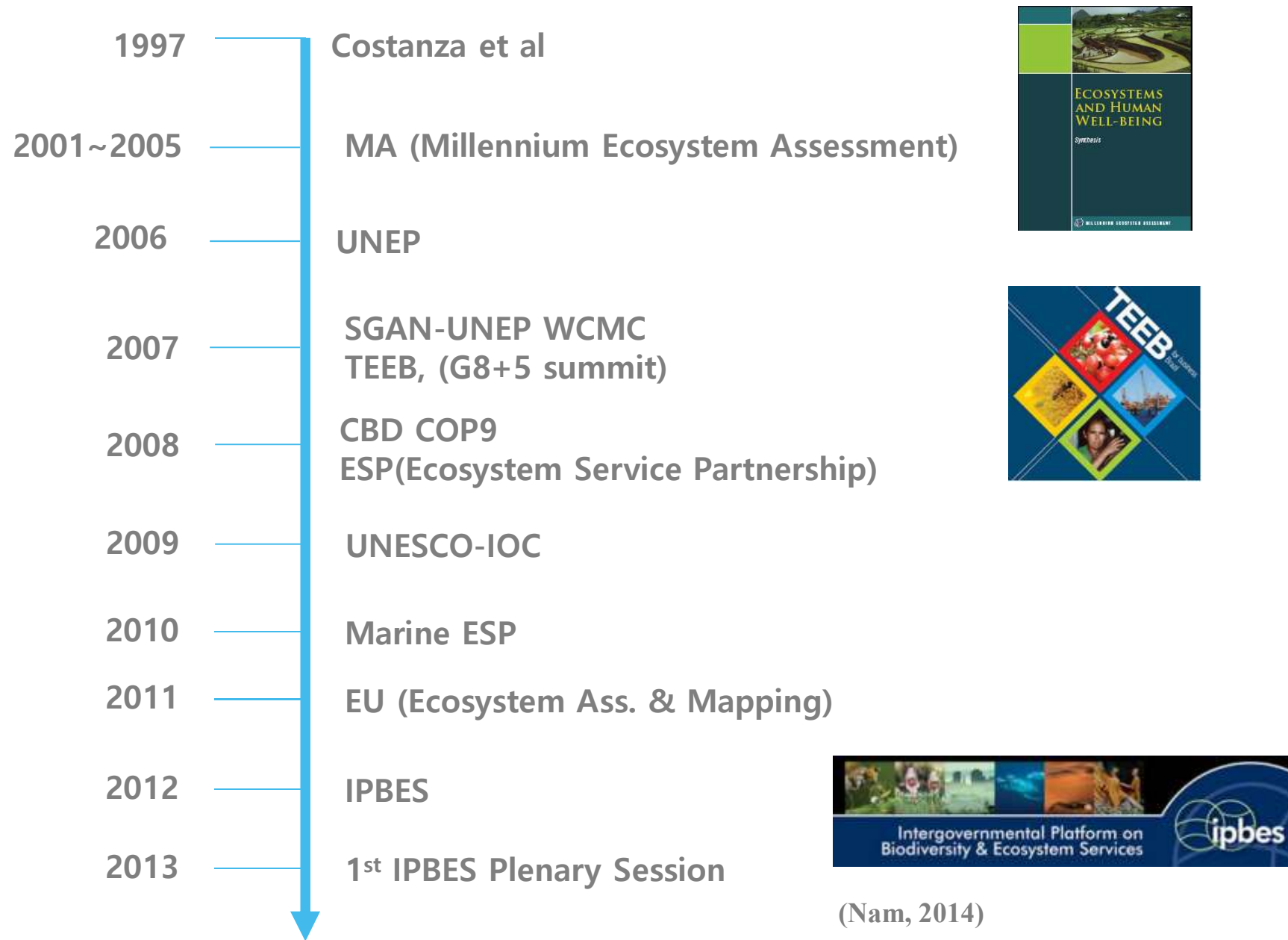
**Non-Renewable Goods**

- Oil and gas
- Sand and gravel
- Marine minerals

**Renewable Services**

- Habitat, e.g., nursery areas for fish
- Protected areas
- Flood and storm protection
- Erosion control
- Nutrient cycling
- Biological regulation
- Waste processing
- Marine transportation routes
- Atmospheric and climate regulation
- Carbon sequestration
- Tourism, leisure and recreation
- Cultural heritage and identity
- Education and research
- Aesthetics

# Commutation of Small Steps to Mainstream Ecosystem Services into Policy Regime



# MES, an Essential Prerequisite for Sustainable Development



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**Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services**  
 Report of the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services on the work of its seventh session  
 Addendum  
 Summary for policymakers of the global assessment report on biodiversity and ecosystem services of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

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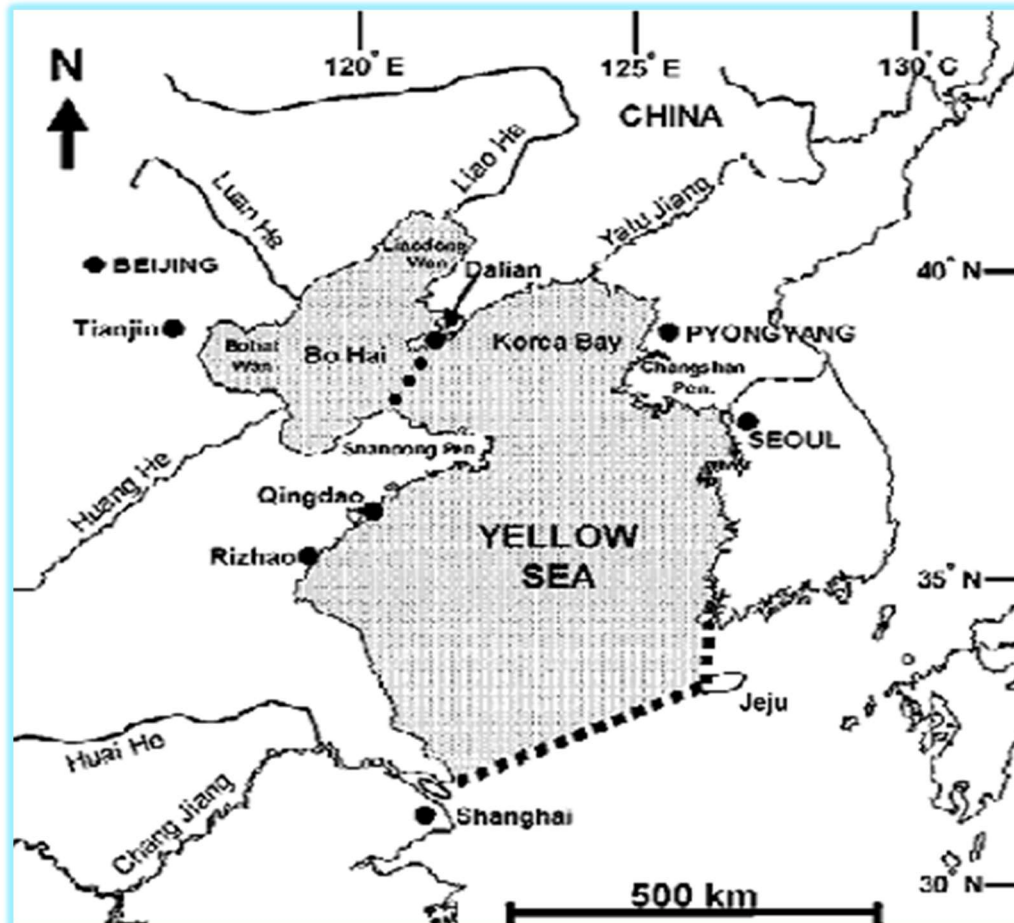
14 LIFE BELOW WATER	Life below water	Recent status and trends in aspects of nature and nature's contributions to people that support progress towards target *		Uncertain relationship
		Poor/Declining support	Partial support	
14.1	Prevent and reduce marine pollution			
14.2	Sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems			
14.3	Minimize and address ocean acidification			
14.4	Regulate harvesting and end overfishing			
14.5	Conserve at least 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas			
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## Overview of YSLME Project

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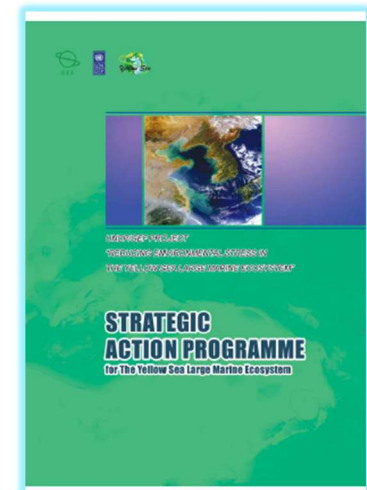
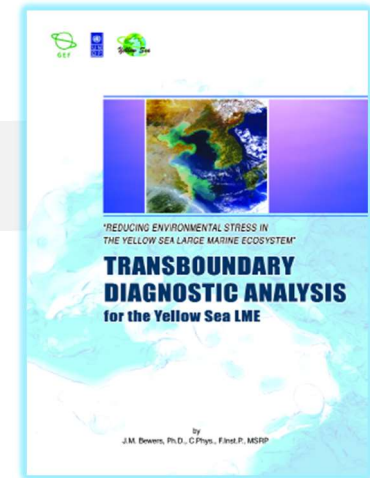
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# Marine Ecosystem Services and YSLME SAP

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# MES-based 11 Targets and 32 Actions

(UNDP/GEF/YSLME, 2009)

## Provisioning Services

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Box 1: Regional targets and technical actions proposed by the YSLME SAP

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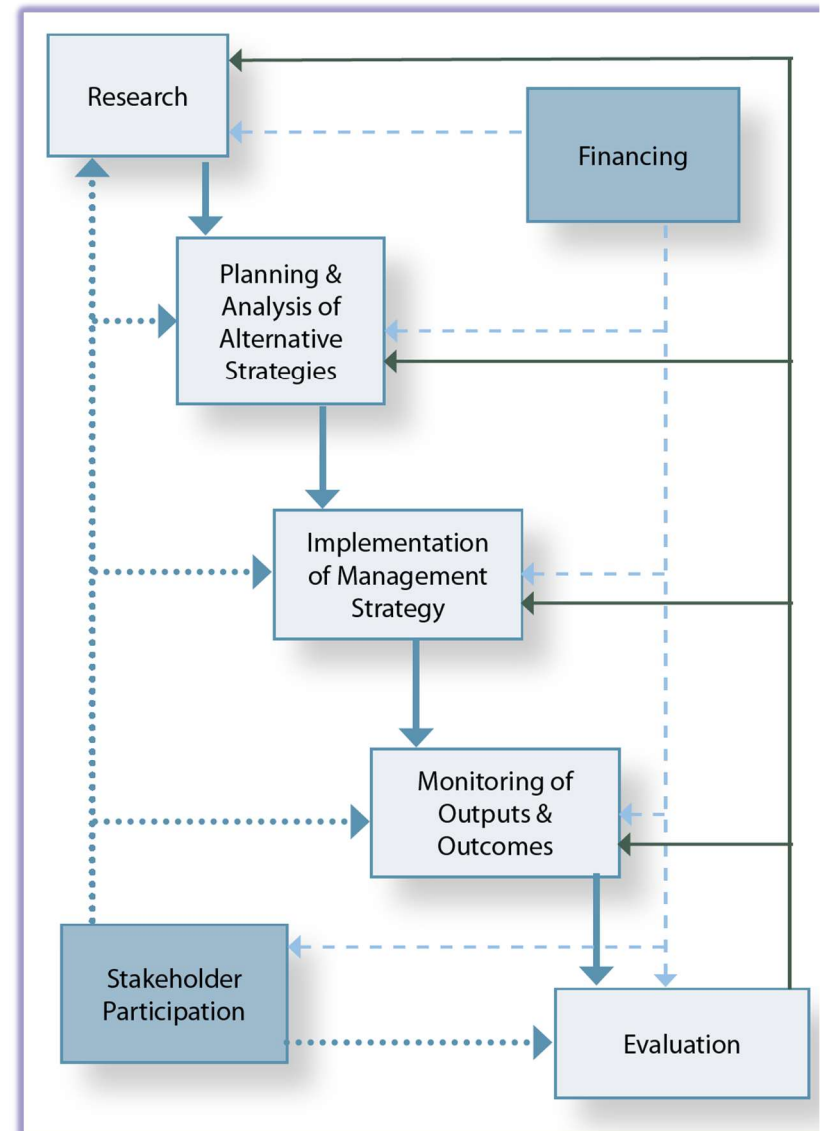
# **Sprouting-out of Marine Spatial Planning**

# Marine Spatial Planning

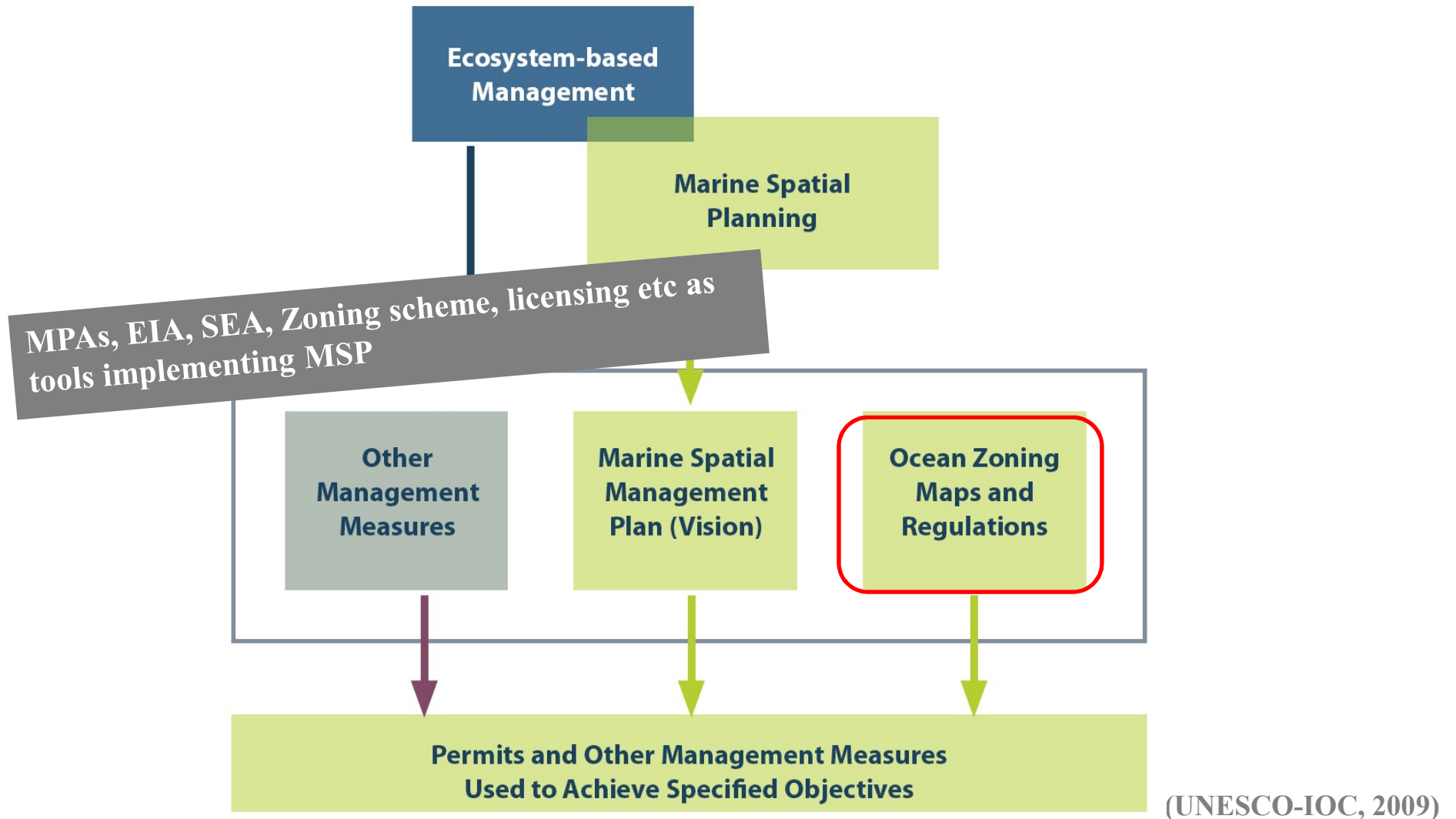
Marine spatial planning is **a public process** of analysing and allocating the spatial and temporal distribution of human activities in marine areas to achieve ecological, economic, and social objectives that usually have been specified through **a political process**. Characteristics of marine spatial planning include **ecosystem-based, area-based, integrated, adaptive, strategic and participatory**. UNESCO-IOC(2009)

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EU Directive  
2014/89 on MSP



## *MPAs and Zoning, representative measures in MSP*

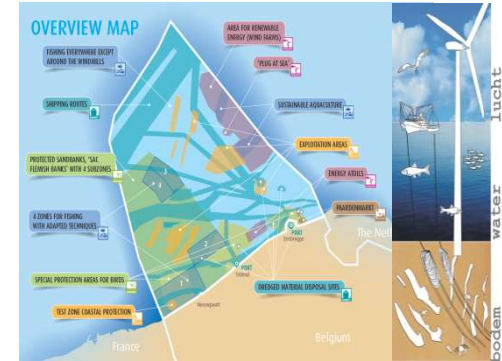
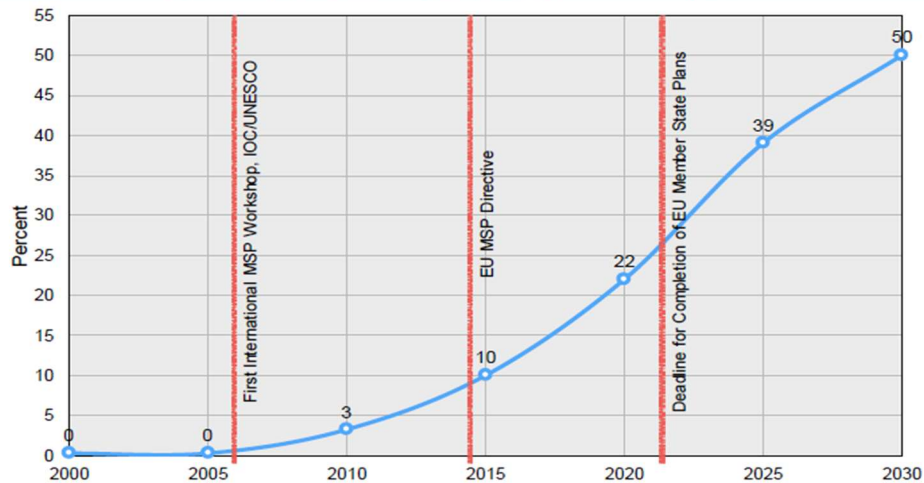


# MSP, Rapidly Spreading Out

Table 1. The Status of Examples of Marine Spatial Planning in 2013.

Country	Region	Planning Status	Country	Region	Planning Status	Country	Region	Planning Status
Belgium	North Sea EEZ	Approved/Implemented	Norway	Barents Sea	Approved/Implemented	Cambodia	Territorial Sea	Underway
Netherlands	North Sea EEZ	Approved/Implemented	Norway	Norwegian Sea	Approved/Implemented	Philippines	Territorial Sea	Underway
Germany	North Sea EEZ	Approved/Implemented	Norway	North Sea	Approved/Implemented	USA	Massachusetts	Completed
Germany	Baltic Sea EEZ	Approved/Implemented	Portugal	Continental EEZ	Underway	USA	California	Completed
Germany	Mecklenburg-Vorpommern Länd	Approved/Implemented	Denmark	Baltic Sea/North Sea	Underway	USA	Alaska	Underway
Germany	Schleswig-Holstein Länd	Approved/Implemented	Israel	EEZ/Territorial Sea	Underway	USA	Mid-Atlantic	Underway
Germany	Lower Saxony Länd	Approved/Implemented	United Arab Emirates	Abu Dhabi Emirate Waters	Underway	Canada	East Coast (ESSIM)	Plan Completed, not Approved
England	East Planning Regions	Completed/Approved	Australia	Great Australian Bight Region	Completed/Approved	Canada	Beaufort Sea	Completed and approved, but not implemented
England	South Planning Regions	Underway	Australia	East Bioregion	Completed/Approved	Canada	Pacific Coast & EEZ (Federal)	Completed
Scotland	EEZ	Underway	Australia	Coral Sea Reserve	Underway	Canada	Pacific Coast & EEZ (MaPP)	Underway
Scotland	North Sea Region	Completed/Approved	Australia	Great Barrier Reef	Approved/Implemented	Mexico	EEZ (Pacific & Gulf of Mexico)	Underway
Wales	EEZ	Underway	New Zealand	Hauraki Gulf	Underway			
Northern Ireland	EEZ	Underway	China	Liaoning Province	Approved/Implemented			
Ireland	EEZ	Underway						
Poland	Baltic Sea	Underway						
Lithuania	Baltic Sea	Underway						
Estonia	Baltic Sea	Underway						
Latvia	Baltic Sea	Underway						
Finland	Baltic Sea	Underway						
Sweden	Baltic Sea/No	Underway						

**MSP in 70 countries, some data are missing**  
**1/3 of global ocean area will be covered by MSP in 2030**



East Inshore and East Offshore Marine Plans








United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

Sustainable Development Goals

European Commission

## 2nd International Conference on MARINE/MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING

15-17 March 2017  
Paris, France



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**DE VREES:** Prefer to identify a "shared vision", before setting targets per se for the shorter term.

**KREINER:** Agree that a vision is important, that is being developed together.

**NAM:** Identify cause and effect, in order to specify targets.

**What are the key success ingredients to MSP?**

**XU:** Ensure different departments and ministries are all involved in stakeholder engagement.

**DE COMARMOND:** Political commitment needed, as well as human and financial resources in order to implement an MSP plan. Starting on a high point (e.g. presidential involvement) has been useful.

**What aspects of your MSP might be applicable, and what is unique?**

**KREINER:** "Learn by doing" approach is more practical than "don't start before legislation" approach—the focus should be on what can be done.

**DE COMARMOND:** "Learn as you go", and "implement as you go", and keep an open mind.

**DE COMARMOND:** Stakeholders must feel invested or MSP process will fail, even if high levels of commitment are initially experienced.

**What are the new threats?**

**XU:** In order to respond to new threats, the Chinese Sea Area law allows local government to revise reporting every two years.

**NAM:** The new threat is resource depletion.

**DE VREES:** Important to learn from one another, and similar processes, e.g., 20 yrs of ICZM has developed principles which also apply to MSP, but are not always used.



### TAKE HOME MESSAGES: ONE PRIORITY FOR THE FUTURE

“ **XU:** An MSP platform should be developed for use by a "community of practice".

“ **NAM:** Reliable data linking MSP and Blue Growth.

“ **DE COMARMOND:** "Don't reinvent the wheel"... share knowledge and adapt processes.

“ **KREINER:** Embed MSP into an impartial institution, not a project.

“ **DIGGON:** Increase capacity to undertake MSP, creating "champions"/MSP ambassadors for the future.

“ **DE VREES:** "Keep it Simple", "learn by doing", and undertake planning for high-priority issues initially as subsequent plan cycles become easier.

(UNESCO-IOC, EU, 2017)



## 2nd International Conference on MARINE/MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING

15-17 March 2017, Paris UNESCO HQ

*Conference Conclusions: adoption of a joint roadmap*

### **Joint Roadmap to accelerate Maritime/Marine Spatial Planning processes worldwide (MSP)**

#### **Introduction**

Oceans have an essential role for life on earth, sustainable development, employment and innovation. However there are increasing pressures facing oceans: climate change, acidification, eutrophication, biodiversity loss, pollution, over-exploitation and illegal activities. Many countries have undertaken the transition to move towards a more integrated and ecosystem-based management of the marine environment, in the pursuit of sustainable development of the ocean and seas.

The Joint Communication on International Ocean Governance by the High Representative of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and the European Commission identifies priority areas for EU action; in particular action 10 on maritime spatial planning.

The objectives and programme of work of the IOC/UNESCO are aimed at promoting ecosystem based management, including through the development and dissemination of the marine spatial planning approach and building of related technical capacity within Member States.

There are different levels of implementation of marine/maritime spatial planning (MSP) processes in the world, including areas where MSP is in its infancy and where joint learning, improved cooperation or capacity building is needed, or areas where arrangements for MSP may exist but a strategic approach to facilitate coordination would be beneficial.

The Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries of the European Commission, (DG MARE) and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (IOC-UNESCO) are committed to support the implementation of the universally agreed Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development, and in particular the dedicated goal SDG 14, in a comprehensive, consistent and holistic way, both within the EU and beyond at the international level, and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its 20 Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

(UNESCO-IOC, EU, 2017)

## 3rd MSPforum Vigo 12-15 May 2019

Final Report  
Vigo, Spain



### Panel 1: How to do an MSP Plan



The first panel was moderated by **Fátima Lopes Alves** (Port Administration of Aveiro, PT) and focused on sharing how each of the 10 MSP steps were developed by Sweden, Republic of Korea, Seychelles and Canada:

- ❖ Jan Schmidtbauer Crona, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management (SE)
- ❖ Jungho Nam, Director of the MSP Research Center at the Korean Maritime Institute (KR)
- ❖ Joanna Smith, Nature United (The Nature Conservancy) (CA)

# Trade-off, a Core Part in ES-based Planning & Decision Making

Core is “Trade-Off”

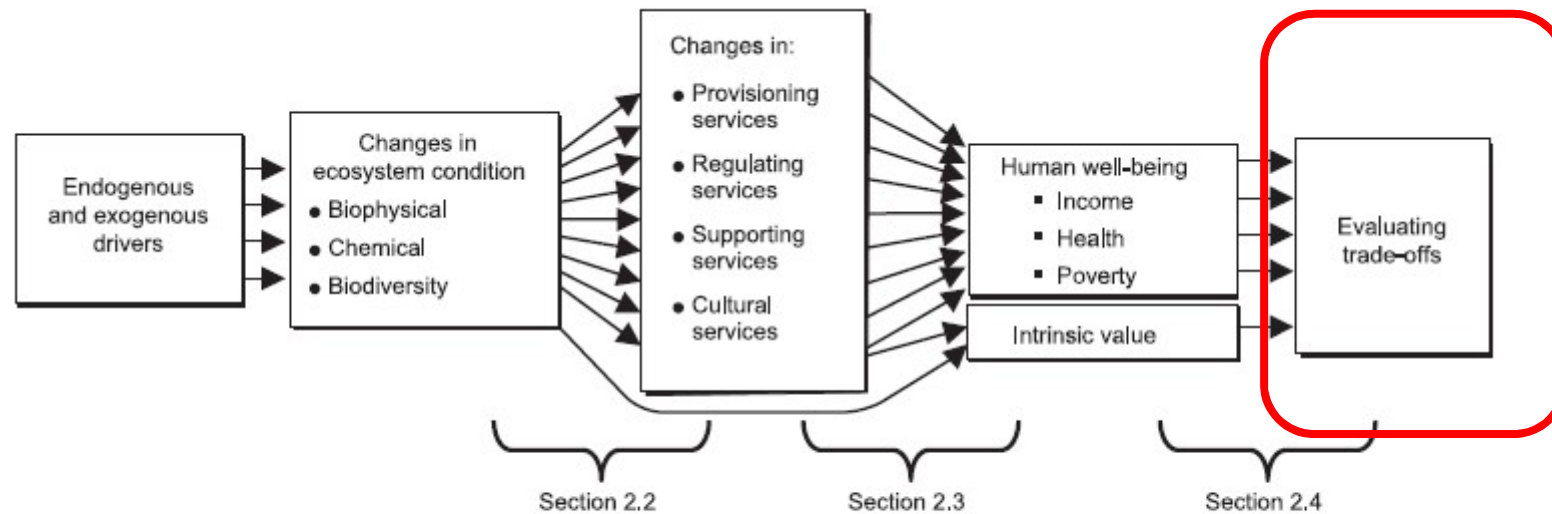
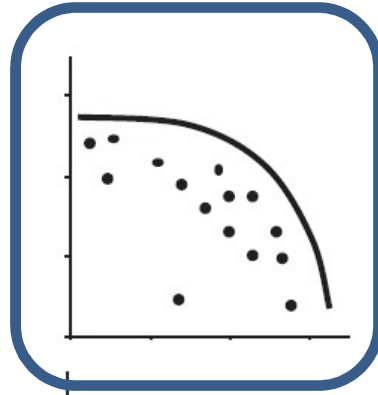
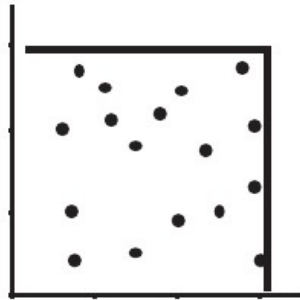
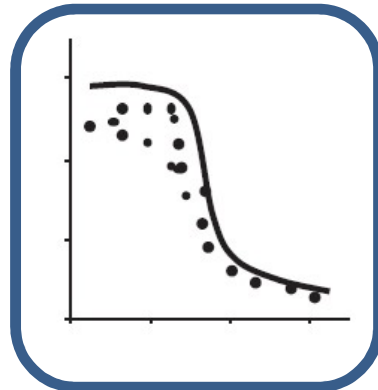
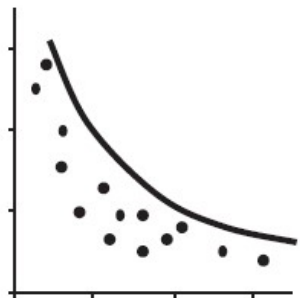
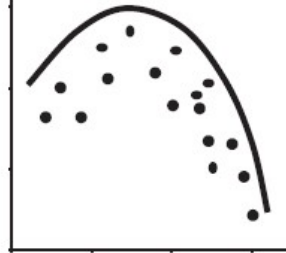


Figure 2.1. Linking Ecosystem Condition to Well-being Requires Assessing Ecosystem Condition and Its Effect on Services, the Impact on Human Well-being and Other Forms of Value, and Trade-offs among Objectives

## Application of Ecosystem services Trade-off In MSP



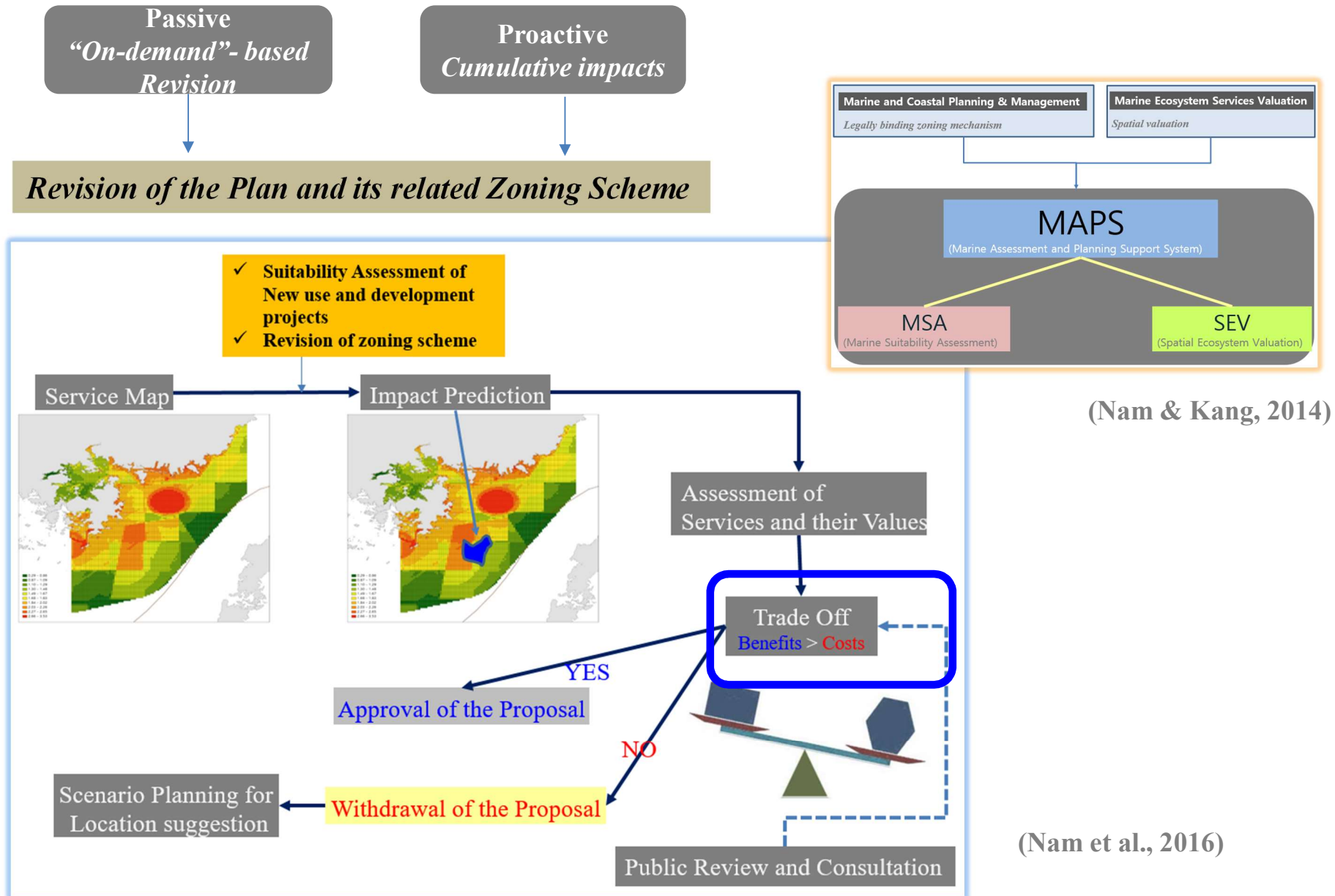
**MPA Vs. Fisheries**



**Marine Energy Vs. Fisheries**

(Lester et al., 2012)

# *Incorporation of MES into MSP in Korea*

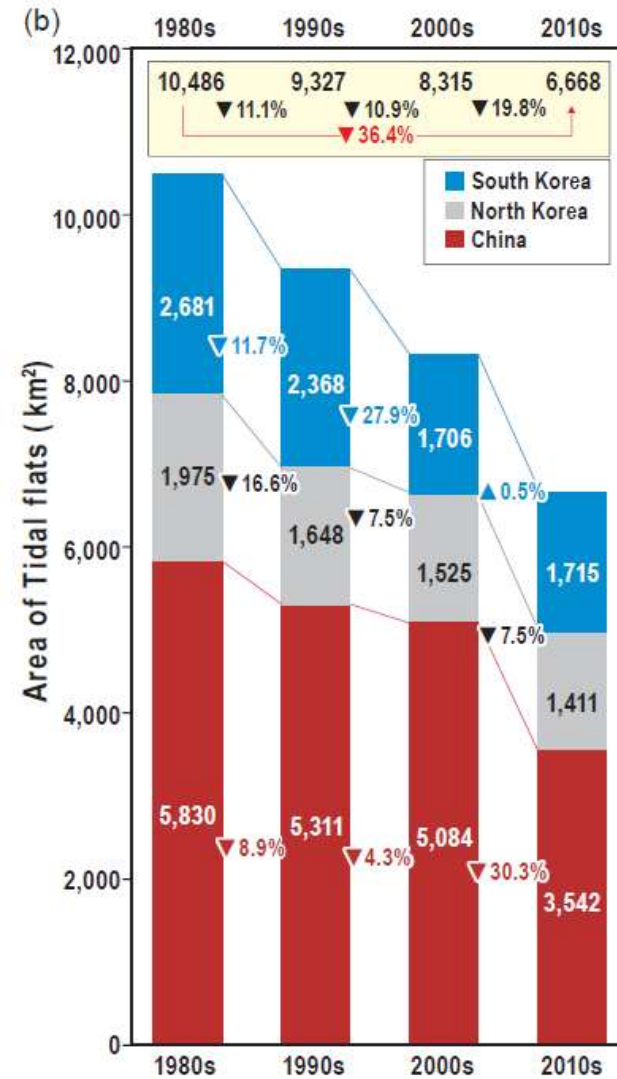
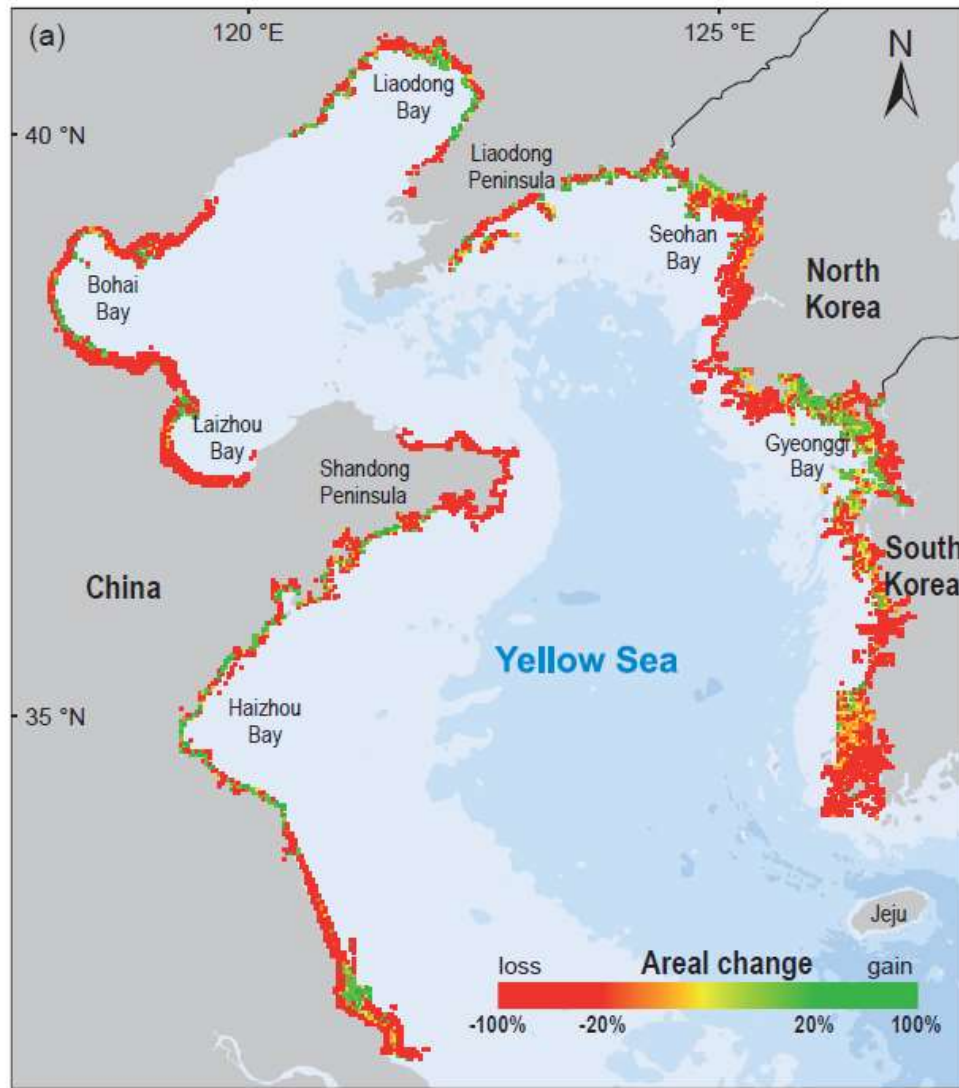


**Transboundary MSP  
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*Witnessing Reality and Dynamics*



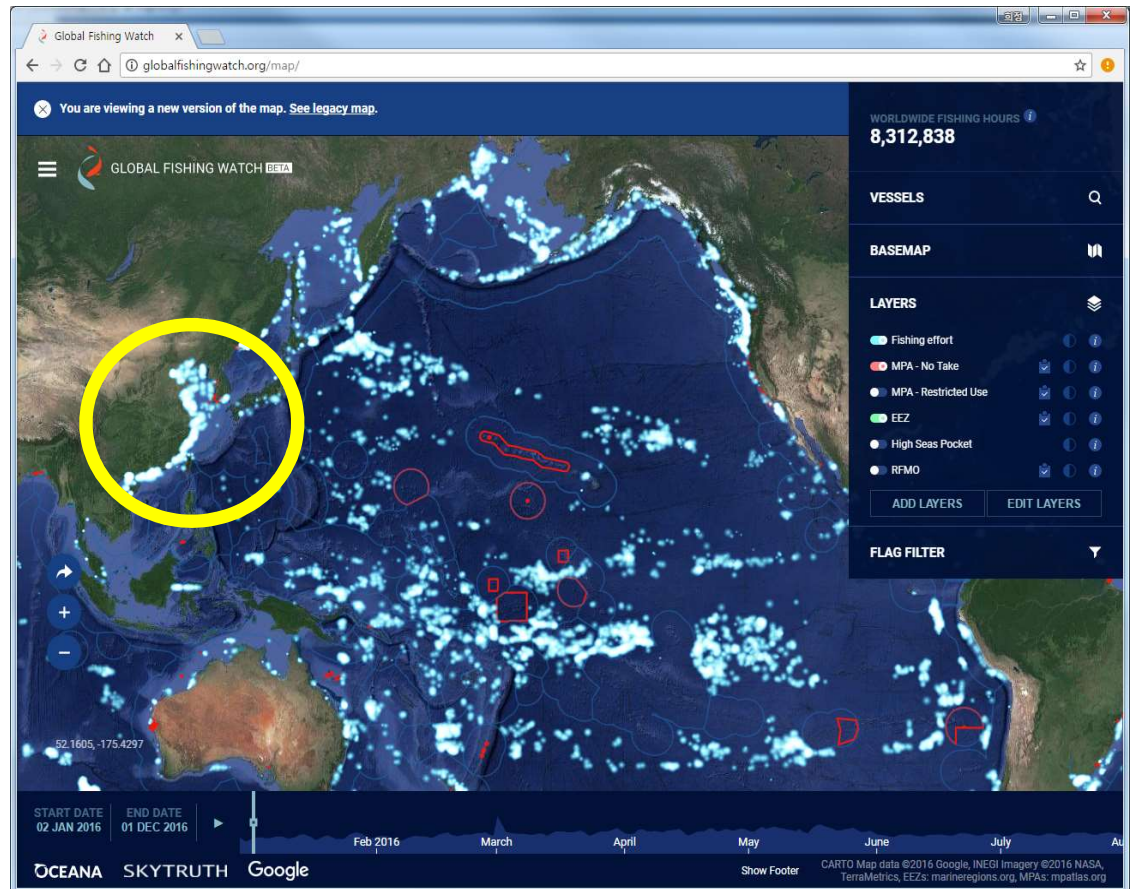
# *Sacrificing Marine Ecosystem for Human's Satisfaction*



(Yim, Khim, Kwon Nam et al., 2018)



## *Most Intensive Fishing Activities*




[www.globalfishingwatch.org](http://www.globalfishingwatch.org)

*Dynamics of Geopolitics and Its Impact on Sustainability of YS  
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## The Democratic People's Republic of Korea to become the 170th Contracting Party to the Convention on Wetlands

6 February 2018



Rason Migratory Bird Reserve

The Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands is pleased to welcome the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as the 170th and latest Contracting Party to the Convention. The Convention will come into force in the country on 16 May 2018.

At the time of joining the Convention, each Contracting Party must designate at least one wetland site within their territory for inclusion in the [List of Wetlands of International Importance](#) (the Ramsar List). The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has designated the [Mundok Migratory Bird Reserve](#) and the [Rason Migratory Bird Reserve](#) as its first two "Ramsar Sites".

The Mundok Migratory Bird Reserve is a nationally-protected area which lies at the mouth of the Chongchon River on the west coast of the country. Local people harvest crabs on the tidal flats, as well as fish and shells from the estuary and river. The surrounding coastal plain features small scattered villages and farmland such as rice paddies, cropland and orchards.

# The Environment Is So Bad in North Korea, They'll Even Let Americans Help

The environmental degradation in North Korea has become so severe, North Korea invited a group of five Americans to Pyongyang last month to talk about restoration and food security.



<https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2012/04/environment-so-bad-north-korea-theyll-even-let-americans-help/329758/>

And here is coverage of the report by the [Institute for Far Eastern Studies \(IFES\)](#):

## Marine Development Projects Underway in North Korea

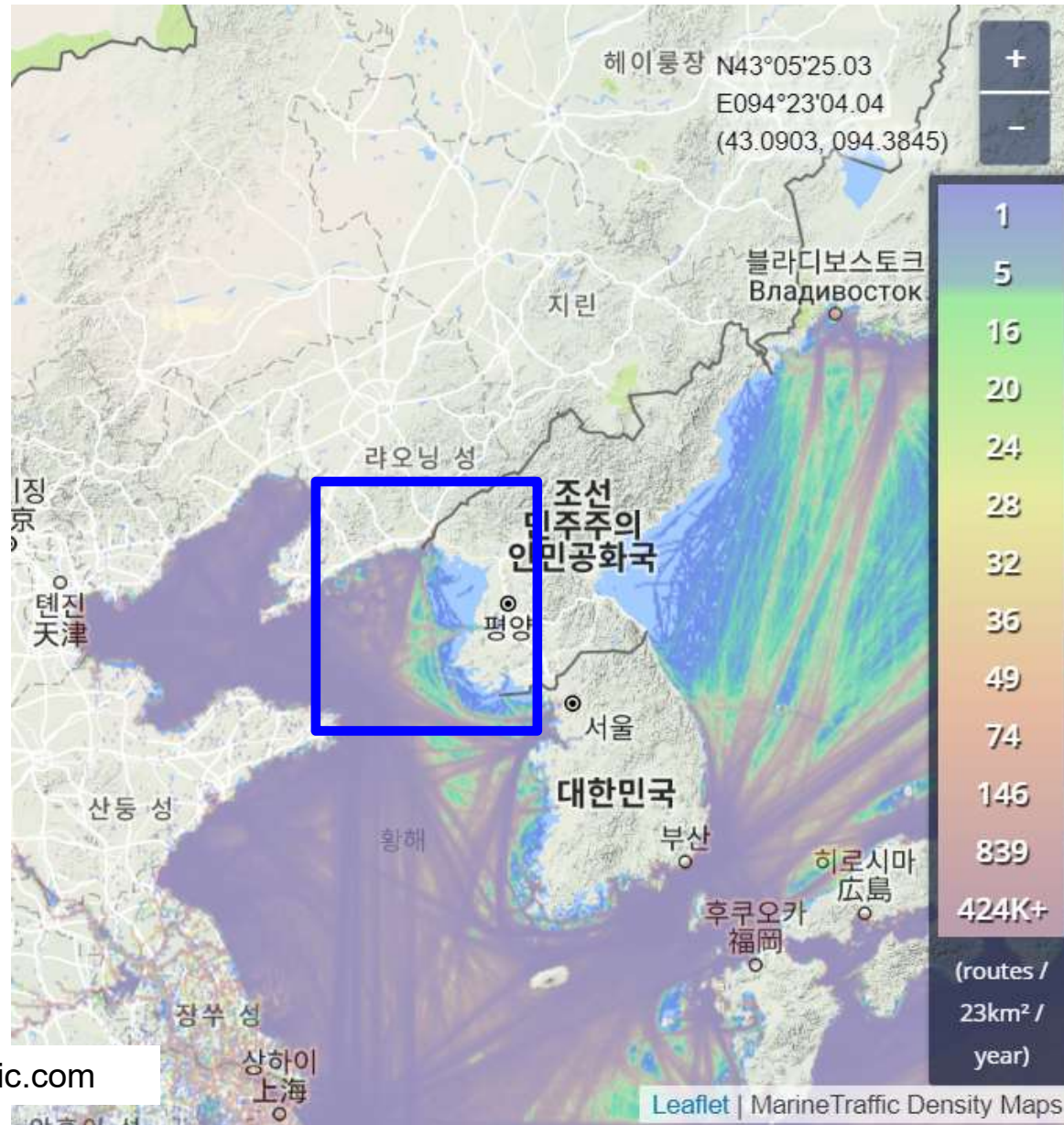
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North Korea's state-run Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) reported on July 24, 2015 that marine resource development projects, such as the establishment of an Advanced Marine Technology Development Zone, are currently being pursued in North Korea.

While KCNA reports that the establishment of the Advanced Marine Technology Development Zone is moving along, Choson Marine Association head clerk Kwak Il Hwan adds, "Protecting and increasing marine resources while actively developing and using them is becoming one of the state's main policies."

The news agency also revealed, "As a marine space resource, ports will be constructed, navigation channels will be developed, and there will be tidelands and marine tourist spots; on the west coast it will become a tideland capable of development as well as a wealth of information." This statement indicates that the Advanced Marine Technology Development Zone will be designated on the west coast.

"A training system for our country's experts and engineers in the marine sector is in place, and a technological foundation for the development and use of marine resources, including research bases in each field all over the country, has been secured," KCNA reported.

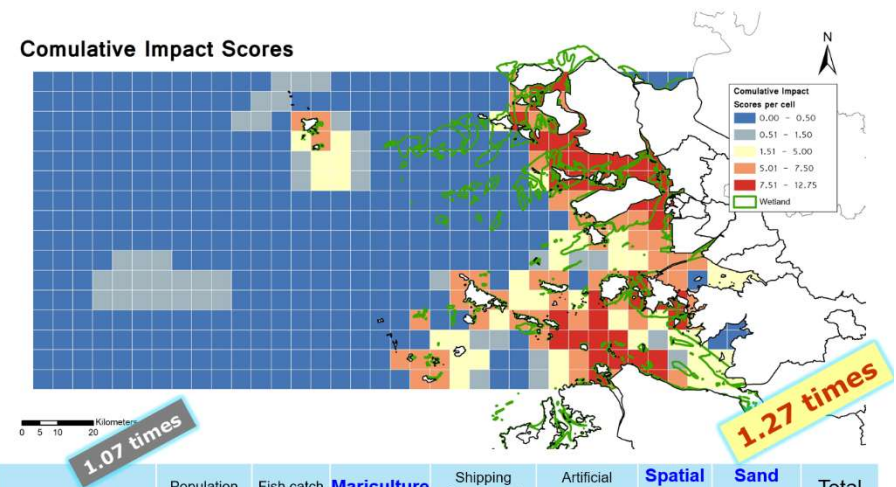
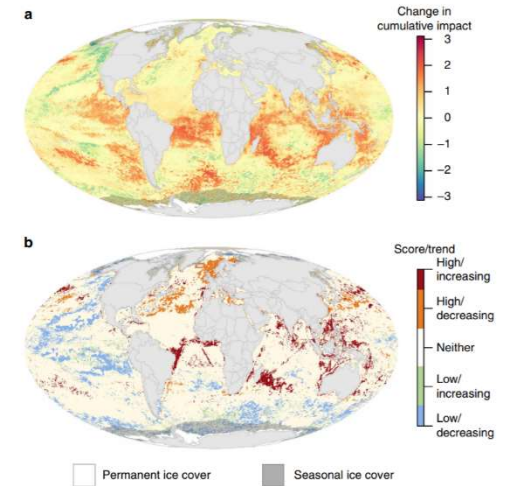


<https://www.marinetraffic.com>

# Acceleration of Cumulative Impact and Exacerbation of Health without Yellow Sea Governance

Country	Impact score in 2013	Change over 5 years
DPR Korea	3.6102	-0.03106
RO Korea	4.8542	0.13060
China	5.1714	0.07045
Japan	4.2891	0.15299
Russia	2.3668	0.09861
U.S	3.5298	-0.11903

Halpern et al., 2015

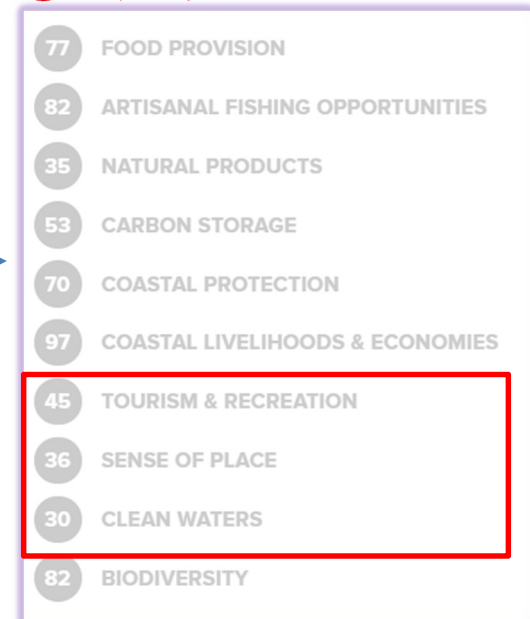
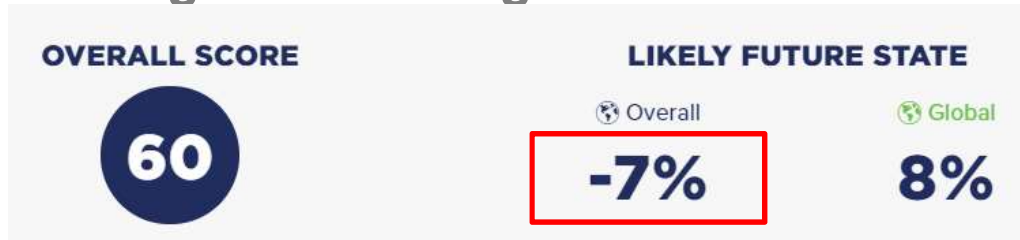


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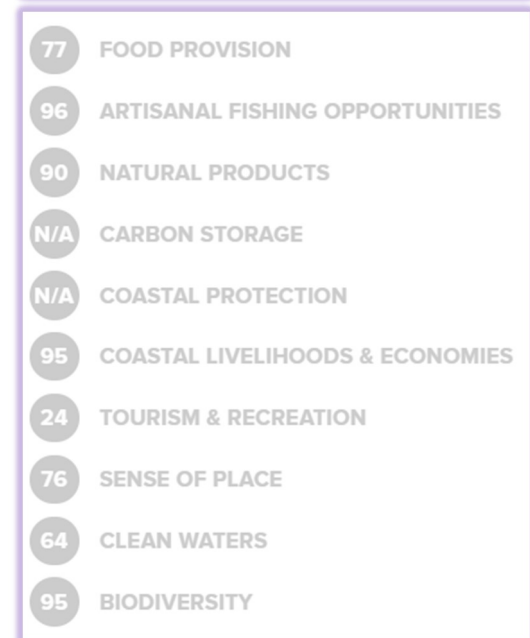
	Population	Fish catch	Mariculture	Shipping & Transport	Artificial coastline	Spatial uses	Sand extraction	Total
2005	2,848,711	21,326	1,714	42,463	344	85	4,924	
Cumulative impact score	101	101	71	82	302	2	160	821
2015	3,057,325	21,352	4,078	37,560	374	379	7,010	
Cumulative impact score	108	101	170	73	329	11	248	1,040

# *Ocean Health Index as Ocean Development Potential,* *Going down far Lower than Global Average (70)*

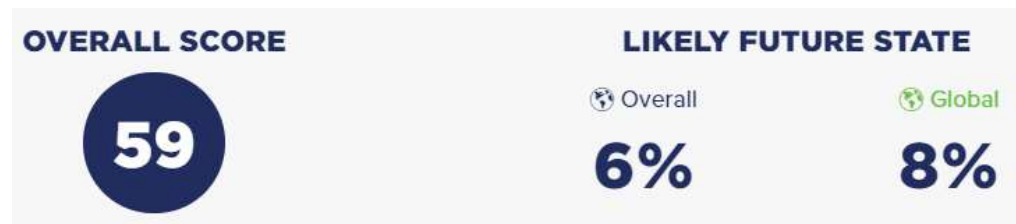
China : global ranking **168** / 221



RO Korea : global ranking **34** / 221



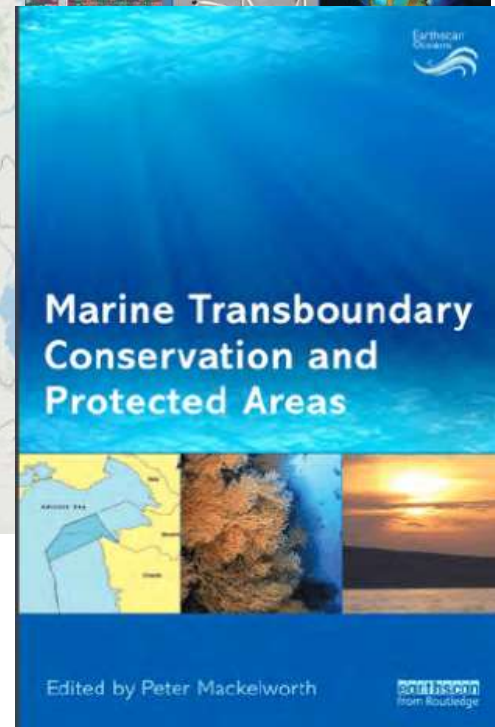
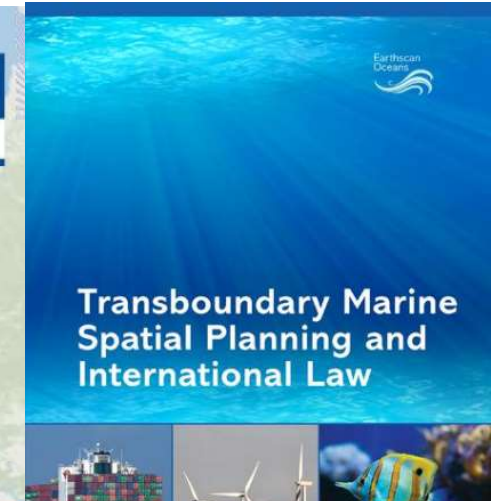
DPR Korea : global ranking **186** / 221





*Transboundary MSP, as a Vehicle  
for New Governance*

# Transboundary Cooperation for More Benefits and Sustainability



Re-interpretation of *Mare Liberum*  
with vs. without stewardship

# Spatial Competition and Conflicts

NJ → ABNJ?

## MSP, One of Instruments for BBNJ

### Fisheries & Aquaculture



### Shipping



### Tourism & Recreation



### Reclamation



### Marine sand extraction



### Conservation



### Wind energy



### Tidal energy

FAO/UNEP GEF ABNJ Deep Seas Project  
Area-based planning for deep sea ecosystems in  
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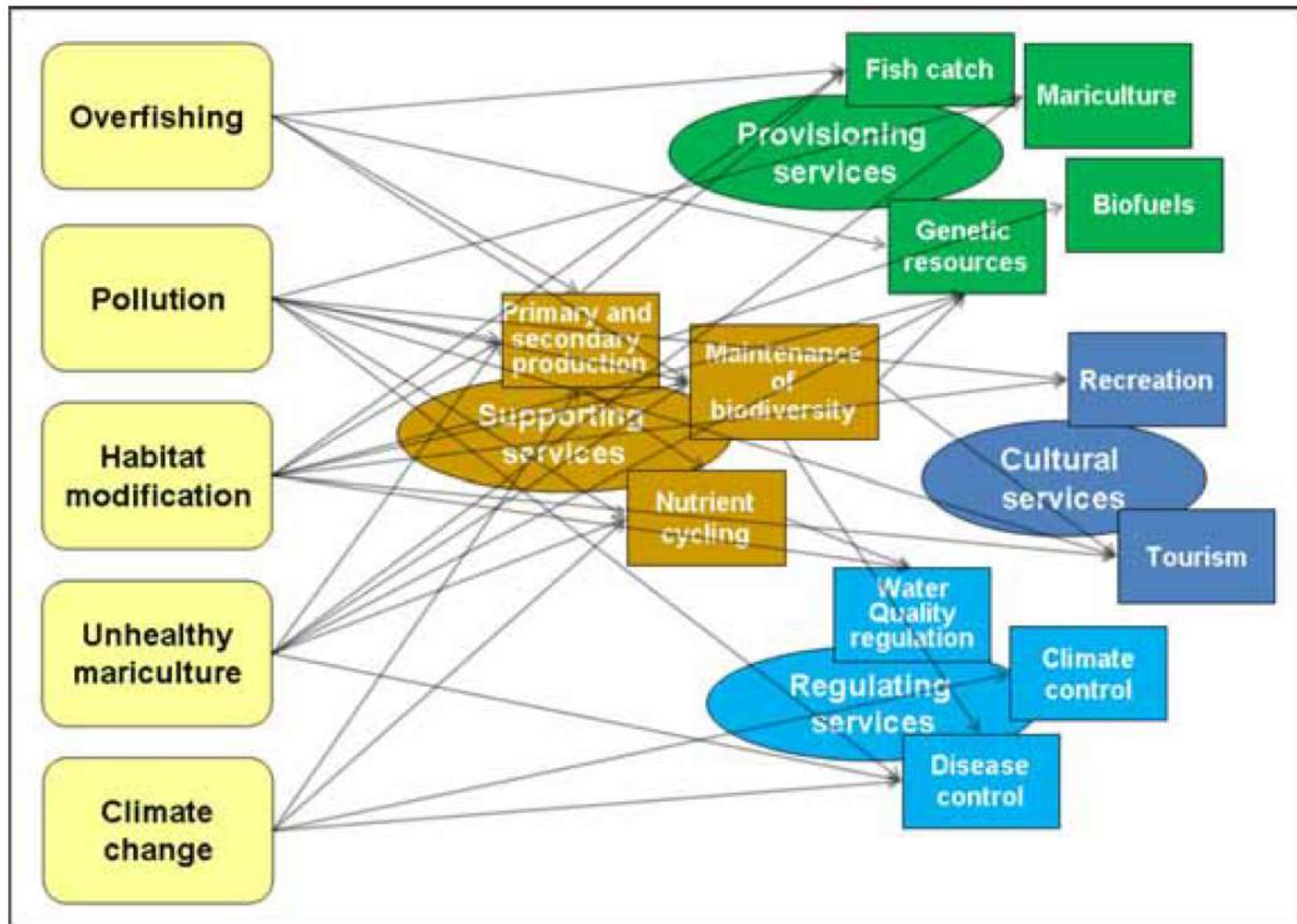


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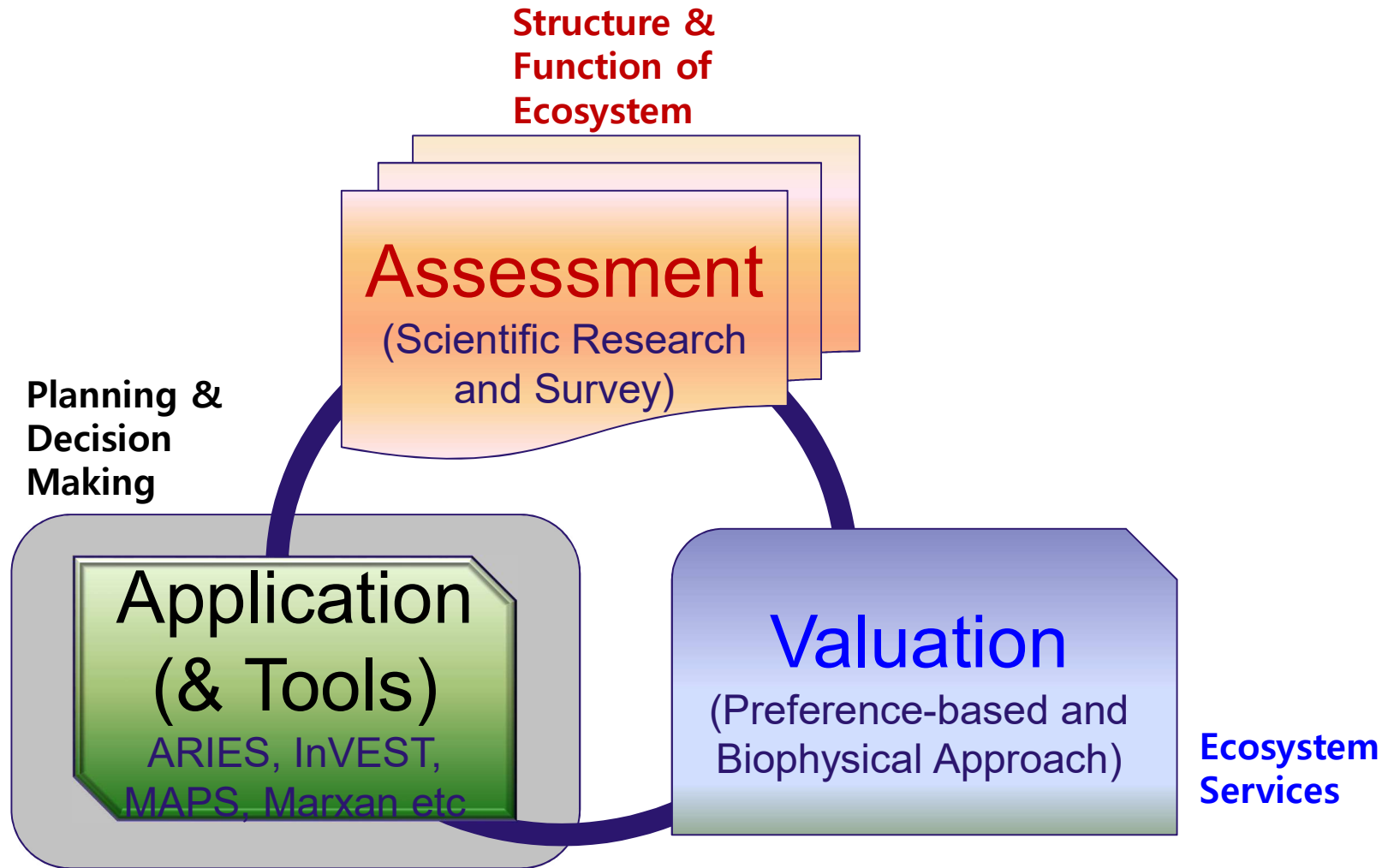
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# MSP, a Leverage for Achieving ES-based Targets of YSLME SAP



# Three Technical Pillars of ES-based Planning and Decision-Making



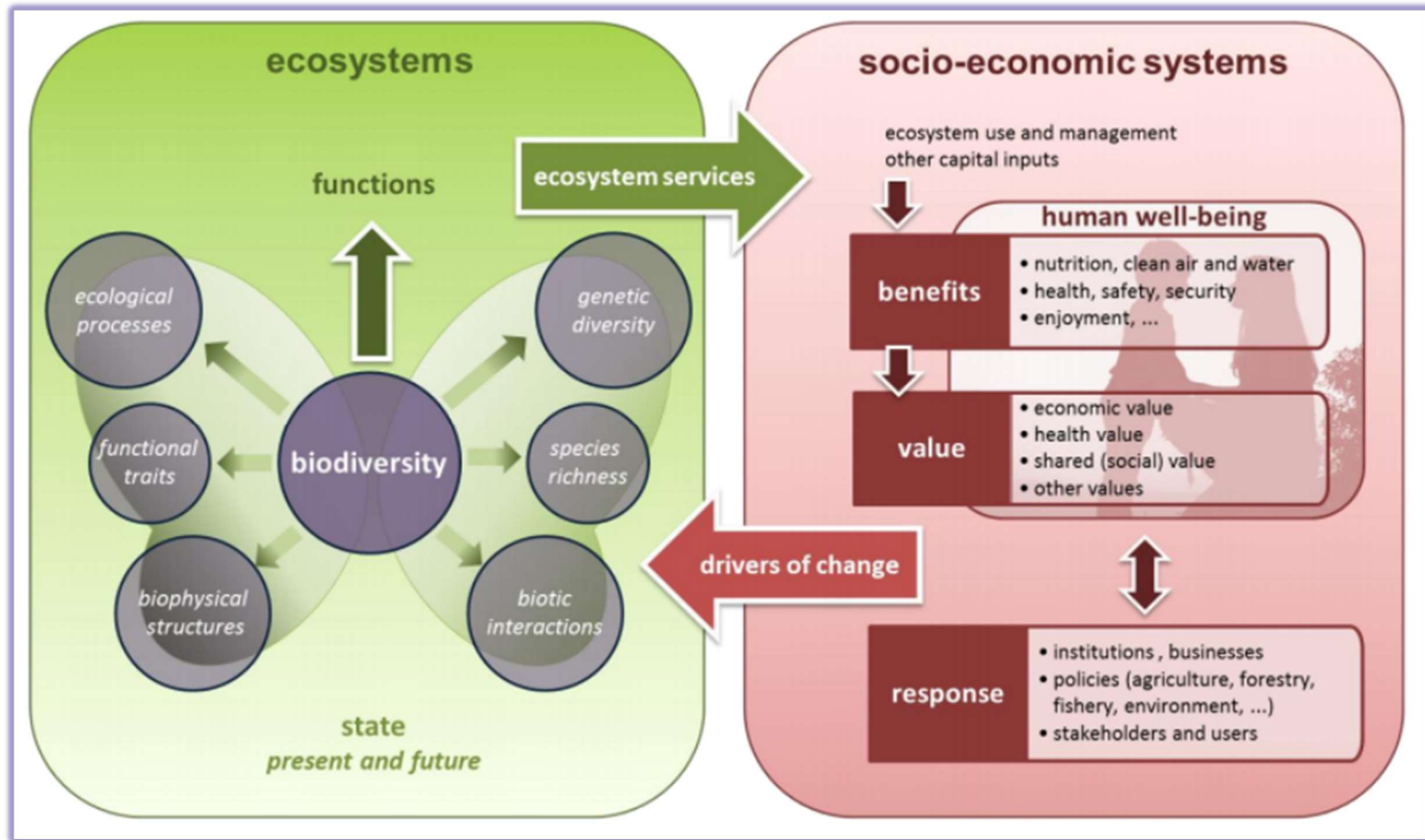
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*Planning Tools are PANACEA like a Crystal Ball?*

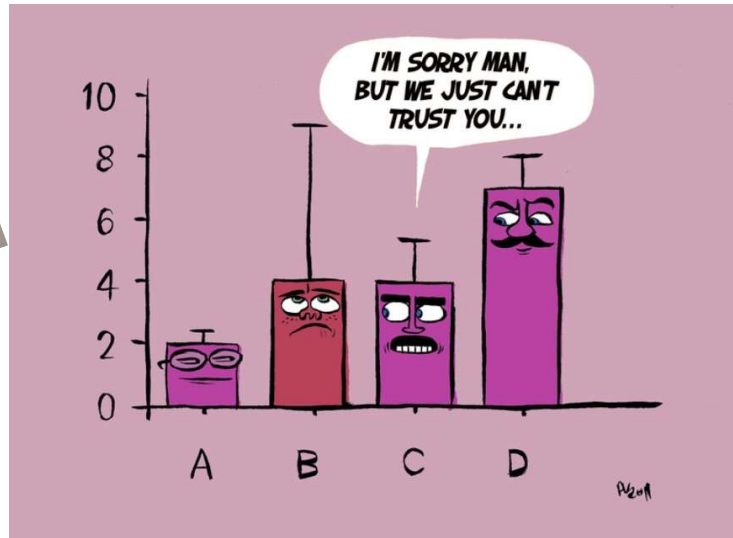


*Irrational Decision-making without Sound and Concrete  
SCIENCE*

## Valuation supported by Assessment



*More Uncertainty & Less Connectivity → Mare Clausum →  
Far From SDGs **Without Governance and Science***



*Challenging Step to establish YS MSP Platform*

- Transboundary MSP WG
  - MES-oriented Science WG
  - Co-visioning WG
- with Potential Partner, DPR Korea*



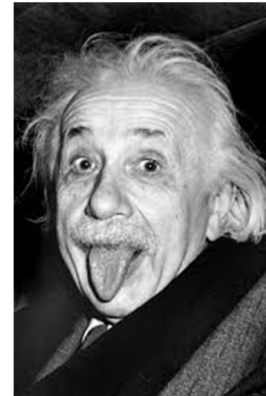
**MSP**

*in nature,* **Marine Spatial Politics**

*as a solution,* **Marine Spatial Partnership**

*Politics is more difficult than Physics*

-Albert Einstein



# Thank you for Listening

