# Meeting Outcomes

## CBD and Global Dialogue?

Convention on Biological Diversity

# SDG 14 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets

## *SDG 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources*

| SDG 14 Targets | Highly Relevant Aichi Biodiversity Targets |
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| **14.1**: "By 2025, prevent and reduce **marine pollution**.." | Aichi Target 8 |
| **14.2**: By 2020, sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems including by **strengthening their resilience**, and take action for their **restoration**…" | Aichi Target 10<br>Aichi Target 15 |
| **14.3**: "Minimize and address the **impacts of ocean acidification**…" | Aichi Target 10 |
| **14.4**: "By 2020, effectively re**gulate harvesting and end overfishing, illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and destructive fishing** …" | Aichi Target 6 |
| **14.5**: "By 2020, **conserve at least 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas**…" | Aichi Target 11 |
| **14.6**: "By 2020, **prohibit certain forms of fisheries subsidies** which contribute to overcapacity and overfishing…" | Aichi Target 6<br>Aichi Target 3 |
| **14.7**: "By 2030, **increase the economic benefits** to Small Island developing States and least developed countries from the sustainable use of marine resources…" | Strategic Goal D |
| **14.a**: "**Increase scientific knowledge**, develop research capacity and **transfer marine technology**…" | Aichi Target 19 |
| **14.b**: "**Provide access for small-scale artisanal fishers** to marine resources and markets" | Aichi Target 18 |
| **14.c**: "Enhance the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources by **implementing international law**…" | Aichi Target 17 |

# Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and its Aichi Biodiversity Targets

## CBD Process on Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSAs) through regional workshops

- Synthesis of best available scientific and technical information
- Expert scientific judgment on the application of EBSA criteria
- Description and mapping of areas that meet the EBSA criteria

## Sustainable Ocean Initiative : Global Platform for Capacity Development and Partnerships

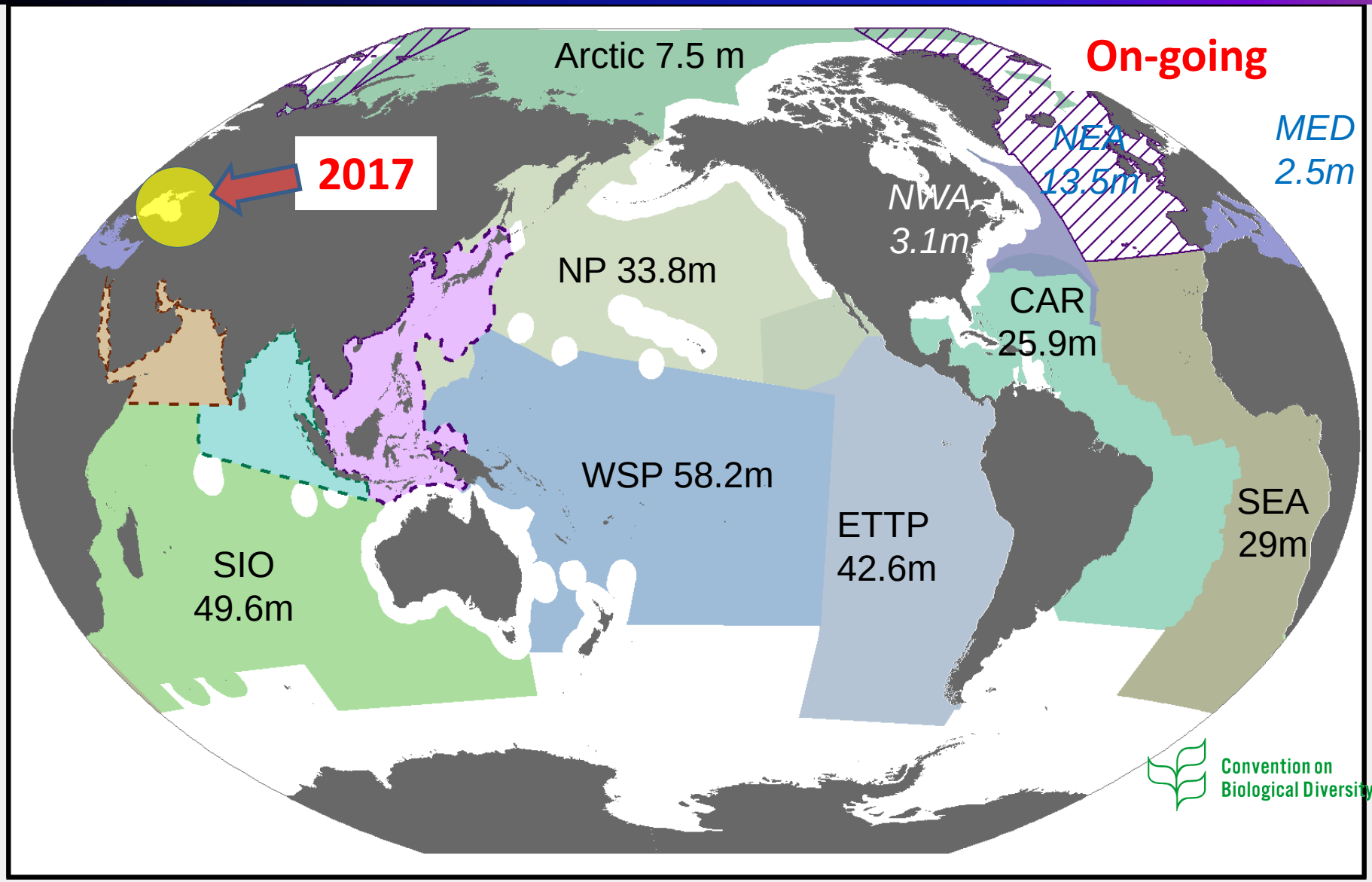
- Created during COP 10 to meet capacity challenges faced by national implementation in achieving Aichi Targets
- Partnered by various UN/international, regional and national organizations in support of CBD Parties in need of capacity development
- Being funded by Japan Biodiversity Fund, French MPA Agency, Republic of Korea ; in-kind contribution by Australia (CSIRO), Germany, and many other partners

| CBD Regional Workshop on EBSAs | Date | Host Country | Countries | Reg'l & Int'l Org |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Western South Pacific (SPREP, SPC) | Nov | | | |
| Wider Caribbean & Western Mid-Atlantic (CEP, CARICOM, CRFM, Sargasso Sea Alliance) | | | | |
| Southern Indian Ocean (Nairobi Convention, SIODFA, ASCLME) | July 2012 | Mauritius | 16 | 20 |
| Eastern Tropical & Temperate Pacific (CPPS, SPRFMO) | g 2012 | Ecuador | 13 | 12 |
| North Pacific (NOWPAP, PICES, NPFC) | 20 | | | |
| South-Eastern Atlantic (Abidjan Convention, SEAFO, Benguela Current LME, Canary Current LME) | l 2 | | | |
| Arctic (CAFF, OSPAR, NEAFC) | N ch | | | |
| North-west Atlantic (NAFO) | N ch | | | |
| Mediterranean (Barcelona Convention, FAO/GFCM) | pril 2014 | Spain | 21 | 16 |
| North-east Indian Ocean (SACEP) | March 2015 | Sri Lanka | 5 | 8 |
| North-west Indian Ocean (PERSGA, ROPME, SACEP, RECOFI, ROWA) | April 2015 | United Arab Emirates | 14 | 17 |
| Seas of East Asia (NOWPAP, COBSEA) | Dec 2015 | China | 12 | 6 |
| Total | | | 153 | 143 |

**Summary Report submitted to UNGA as requested by COP 11, available as UNGA Document A/67/838**

**Summary Report submitted to UNGA as requested by COP 12 available as UNGA doc A/69/794**

# 74 % (or 82%) of global ocean covered by CBD Regional Workshops on EBSAs

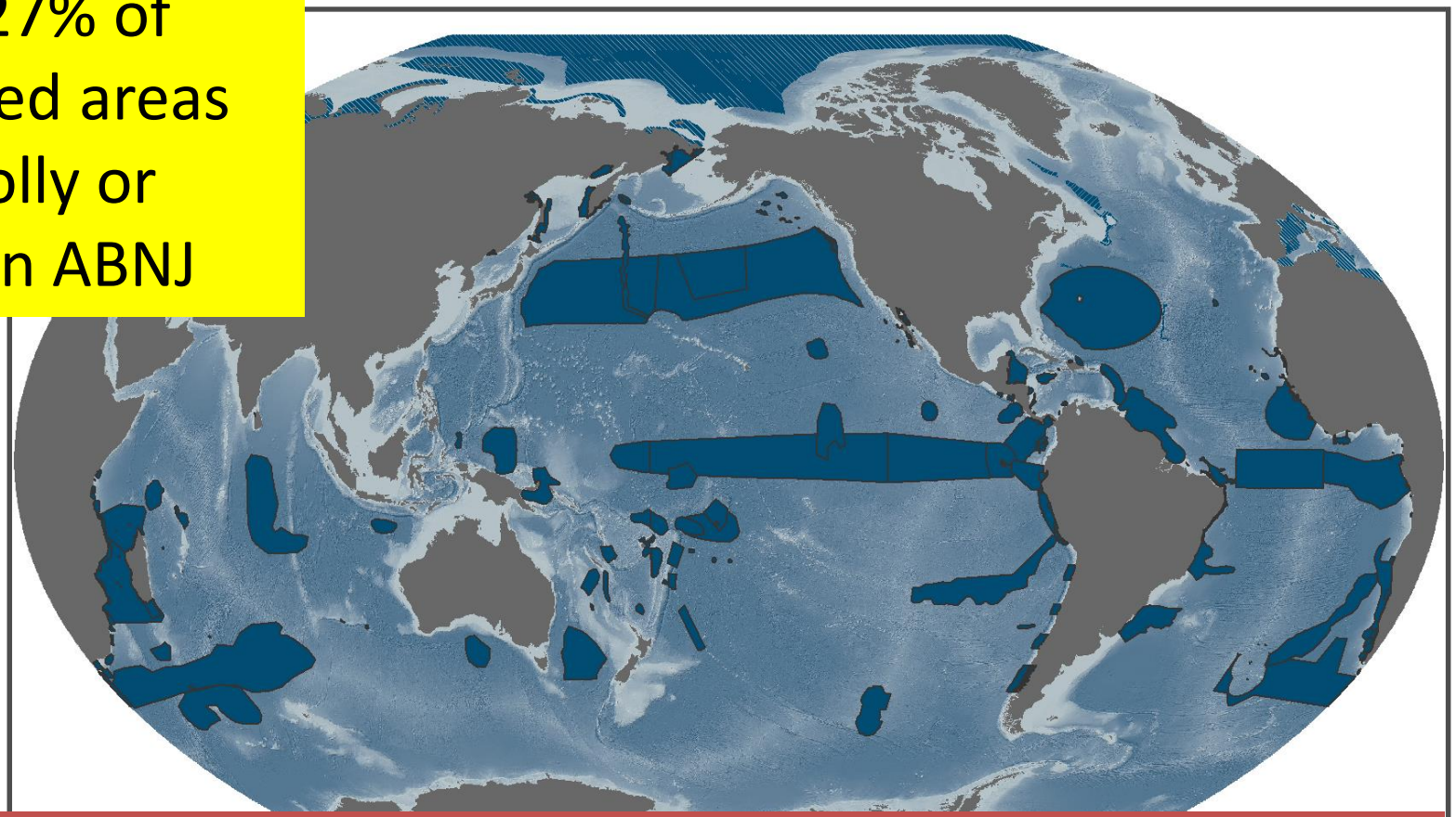



Marine Geospatial Ecology Lab, Duke University (2016)

Areas meeting CBD Scientific Criteria for Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSAs, annex 1 to decision IX/20) :

204 areas considered and decided by COP 11 N(47 areas) and 12 (157 areas) for inclusion in the repository and submission to UNGA

About 27% of described areas are wholly or partly in ABNJ



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# SUSTAINABLE OCEAN INITIATIVE (SOI)

**GLOBAL DIALOGUE WITH REGIONAL SEAS ORGANIZATIONS AND REGIONAL FISHERIES BODIES ON ACCELERATING PROGRESS TOWARDS THE AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGETS**

SOI 세계 해양-수산 국제기구 포럼 / **26-29 September 2016** Seoul, Repubic of Korea

**Goal: Facilitate dialogue to exchange experiences and to identify options and opportunities to enhance cross-sectoral collaboration among RSOs and RFBs, with a view to supporting their key role in facilitating achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the relevant Sustainable Development Goals**

- Sharing of scientific information
- Exchange experiences and expertise in regionally applying tools and approaches for the conservation and sustainable use of marine living resources and ecosystems
- Discuss the development and application of regional-scale indicators for measuring progress in achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and Sustainable Development Goals
- Identify diverse examples and lessons learned regarding ways of cooperation between RSOs and RFBs

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**15 RSOs** out of 18
(20 rep

**15 RFBs** out of 51
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**18 EU/n**
**gov/inst**
(53

**rgs**
)

**Wealth of experience and knowledge in ocean management**

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# *"Seoul Outcome"*

- **essential role played by regional organizations** in supporting and facilitating actions by national governments for the conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity and ecosystems, and in supporting and assessing progress towards global-level goals, including the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the Sustainable Development Goals.
- stressed the need for **enhanced cooperation and collaboration at the regional scale**, supported by continual exchange of information and lessons learned, exploring of shared objectives, and addressing issues of common interest.

# *"Seoul Outcome"*

- acknowledged the **diversity of experiences, challenges, priorities and capacities among countries and regional organizations** in different ocean regions, and noted the respective mandates of various regional and global intergovernmental organizations.
- **regional cooperation is at different stages of development** in various regions, and, as such, that the appropriate next steps would vary among different regions, ranging from the establishment of dialogue to support cooperation where it does not exist, to strengthening this cooperation where it already exists.

# *"Seoul Outcome"*

- **Interacting and exchanging information on the respective measures and activities** of regional organizations to promote mutual understanding, build trust, and ensure that they take their respective outputs into account, thereby complementing each other's work while respecting their different mandates;
- **Joint regional-level strategies, memoranda of understanding**, or other collaborative arrangements to identify common objectives, outline joint and/or complementary activities, and clarify roles and expectations of respective regional organizations;
- Identification of **specific issues of common interest** around which to structure cooperation and coordination on scientific and technical matters as well as management tools and approaches;

# *"Seoul Outcome"*

- Promoting **harmonized approaches for collecting and accessing data**, and exchanging the scientific information produced by a wide range of entities, including governments, universities, research institutions/partnerships, non-governmental organizations, and United Nations agencies (e.g., information on EBSAs and VMEs as well as from OBIS);
- Using the above information for the production of **complementary and holistic assessments** of the status and trends of the marine environment, fisheries, biodiversity and ecosystems; and
- **Supporting national reporting through regional frameworks**, including through compatible approaches for data and reporting formats, using, where possible, existing indicators, and **aligning this with reporting on progress** towards the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the Sustainable Development Goals.

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## *"Seoul Outcome"*

- emphasized the need to continue global dialogues,,,, and welcomed the efforts of the Government of the Republic of Korea to **make this global dialogue a regular forum** , in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, regional seas organizations, regional fishery bodies, and other interested donors. Such regular global dialogues could continue, perhaps on a biennial basis, to facilitate, promote, and take stock of regional-level cooperation.
- emphasized the **need for capacity building activities in support of cooperation at the regional level.**

# *"Seoul Outcome"*

- In order to prepare for future global dialogues, participants suggested that **an informal working group be formed**, consisting of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and interested regional organizations, to **prepare substantive elements of the meeting programme, including identification of concrete topics/issues, of future global dialogues and maintain intersessional communication among participants**

# *"Seoul Outcome" : Next Steps*

- Informal Working Group to prepare for the next Global Dialogue
- Facilitating regional level cooperative activities
- Securing necessary financial resources

- Global RSO meeting (30 Oct-1 Sept 2016)
- CBD COP 13 (4-17 Dec 2016) & HLS (2-4 Dec 2016)
- COP 13 Side Event on SOI Global Dialogue (5 Dec Lunch time)
- COP 13 special event "Sustainable Ocean Night" (5 Dec evening)
- BBNJ Prep Comm Side Event (March 2016)
- High-level UN Conference to support the implementation of SDG 14 (June 2016)
- FAO COFI (2018) and RSN meeting (2018)

***Potential role of SOI Global/Regional Dialogues in Regional SDG Implementation Outlooks***

- More holistic assessments across SDGs (including role of oceans in livelihoods, food security, etc.) will require coordination across sectors and regional mechanisms (e.g., RSOs and RFBs)
- Periodic SOI Global RSO/RFB Dialogues can stimulate regional-scale collaboration for SDG Implementation Outlooks, and provide updates from different regions where this collaboration is occurring to discuss challenges and approaches

Meeting may wish to consider to:

- *Welcome* the Seoul Outcome from the Sustainable Ocean Initiative Global Dialogue with Regional Seas Organizations and Regional Fisheries Bodies on Accelerating Progress towards the Aichi Biodiversity Targets
- *Encourage* individual Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans to initiate/further facilitate cooperation with regional fisheries bodies in their respective regions, and continue to contribute to the Sustainable Ocean Initiative Global Dialogue, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, UN Environment and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

# *Thank you!*
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