



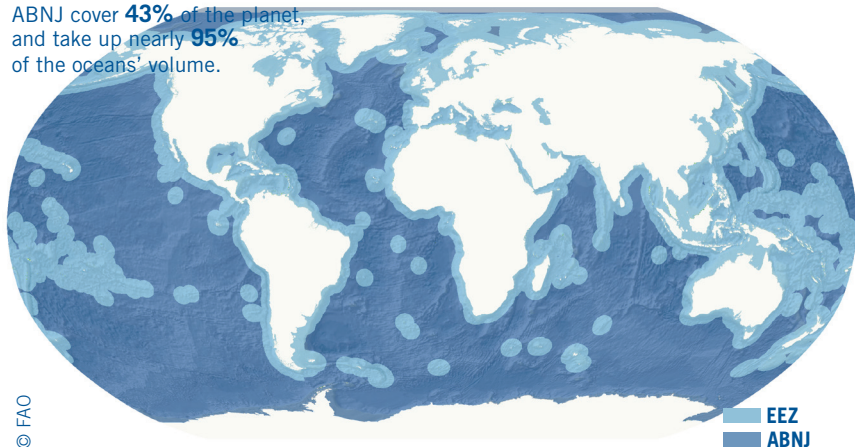
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The Common Oceans
ABNJ DEEP SEAS PROJECT
Sustainable fisheries management and biodiversity conservation
of deep-sea living resources and ecosystems in the ABNJ

Component 4: Area-based planning in ABNJ

Over 60 percent of the world's oceans lie in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ), and contain a diversity of living and non-living resources that support human well-being. With technological developments that allow increased access to these resources, collective efforts are required to ensure that ecosystems are protected and that the resource use is sustainable.

ABNJ cover **43%** of the planet,
and take up nearly **95%**
of the oceans' volume.



UN Environment (UNEP), UN-FAO and UNEP-WCMC are collectively working to support development, management and sustainability of deep-sea fisheries and biodiversity conservation in ABNJ. Specifically, UNEP-WCMC is testing and developing area-based planning in ABNJ. A series of reports have been produced to support understanding in this place. These reports have a specific focus on the two pilot regions for the project - the Western Indian Ocean and the South East Pacific - however, they are of relevance to other regional seas.



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Governance of areas beyond national jurisdiction for biodiversity conservation and sustainable use

This study describes institutional arrangements and cross-sectoral cooperation in the Western Indian Ocean and South East Pacific.

Review of area-based planning tools

This document identifies key features that could benefit cross-sectoral area-based planning in support of the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity in ABNJ.

Capacity assessment for area based planning in areas beyond national jurisdiction for the Nairobi Convention

A summary of the existing capacity of the Nairobi Convention Secretariat and member countries of the Nairobi Convention to undertake area based planning in ABNJ.

Capacity assessment for the Permanent Commission for the South Pacific: Area-based planning in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

A summary of the existing capacity of the Permanent Commission for the South Pacific (CPPS) Secretariat and member countries to undertake area-based planning in ABNJ of the South-East Pacific Ocean pilot area.

Marine connectivity across jurisdictional boundaries: An introduction

An introduction to connectivity in the marine environment from a spatial planning context, whilst discussing the relevance to ABNJ.

Introduction to global marine datasets of biodiversity importance in the South East Pacific

This document identifies global datasets that contain regional features within the South East Pacific project pilot region, offering a high-level introduction to datasets of relevance to Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction in this location.

Introduction to global marine datasets of biodiversity importance in the Western Indian Ocean

This document identifies datasets that cover regional features within the Western Indian Ocean project pilot region, offering a high-level introduction to datasets of relevance to ABNJ in this location.

A review of data storage and sharing options for the Western Indian Ocean to support area-based planning in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

This report explores potential options for storing and sharing pre-existing data collected for the Western Indian Ocean.

A review of data storage and sharing options for the South East Pacific to support area-based planning in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

This report explores potential options for storing and sharing pre-existing data collated for the South-East Pacific.



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