

GEO Blue Planet 6th Symposium

Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans

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Symposium Scope, Objectives, and Agenda



GEO Blue Planet is pleased to announce the 6th GEO Blue Planet Symposium, slated to be held from October 31st- November 2nd in Seoul, Korea. These symposiums are designed to increase regional linkages, promoting linkages between stakeholders and the observing community and gathering community feedback on the focus of GEO Blue Planet activities.

This year's symposium, themed *Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans*, is specifically geared towards improving GEO Blue Planet's engagement with Asian nations to expand the EO community of practice, strengthen local capacity and provide access to resources, tools, and services. The Korean symposium is scheduled to be held by establishing cooperative relationships with international organizations to enhance awareness of GEO Blue Planet in the Asia region.

This in-person event will feature Plenary Sessions centered on the GEO Blue Planet Core Action Areas of Stakeholder Engagement, Cooperation, and Co-design and Capacity Development. Additionally, It will include multiple sessions on Korean Marine Spatial Planning (K-MSP) and digital solutions, Thematic Workshops, and a highly interactive Symposium Forum.

Programme

Plenary Sessions

The Plenary Sessions will be designed to inspire various topics related to key activities of regional data conditions, tools and opportunities, stakeholder engagement and collaboration, and capacity development related to GEO Blue Planet. Additionally, this year's event will also cover the current state and issues of the ocean through international organizations and government agencies in the Asian region, as well as examples of institutional and technological applications using digital technology and information.

Introductory keynote presentation: International Organization

Asia has one of the largest ocean areas in the world and is rich in ocean resources and biodiversity. However, various ocean issues such as marine debris, coastal disasters, and overfishing, are occurring due to climate change, high population density, and industrial and developmental activities. To address these issues, region al countries and international organizations are pursuing various measures for ocea n protection and development. In particular, international organizations develop and implement policies such as international laws and regulations related to the ocean, contributing to policy decision- making through knowledge-sharing and capacitybuilding programs, including research and data collection, and promoting practical solutions.

This session will briefly introduce the current status and issues of the ocean in the Asian region and explain the role of international organizations in solving ocean prob lems. Specifically, it aims to discuss the future vision of the ocean in the Asian area by focusing on concrete cases pursued by international organizations, such as coop eration in ocean information and technology between countries or regions, stakeholder engagement, and capacity building for solving ocean problems.

GEO Blue Planet Session

GEO Blue Planet is a very important international program that aims to promote an understanding of the marine and coastal ecosystems, support their conservation and sustainable management, and develop monitoring and prediction systems. It also se eks to develop policies and facilitate their implementation through data and informa tion sharing, research, and collaboration among stakeholders. The establishment of an Asian office and network of marine experts in the region is particularly significant given the importance of Asia as a major ocean region with rich marine resources and biodiversity, as well as significant ocean-related challenges.

This session will introduce the goals and vision, governance of the GEO Blue Planet international program, as well as the background and history of the establishment of the Asia office. We will also discuss the goals and vision for building a network of ocean experts in the Asia region and for promoting cooperation in ocean information and technology, and provide concrete implementation plans to achieve these goals. The aim is to enhance awareness of GEO Blue Planet and its Asia office and to enco urage collaboration and participation from domestic and international practitioners, experts, and stakeholders.

Digital Solution Session

To address global ocean issues such as climate change, marine debris, dead zones, marine biodiversity loss, illegal fishing, and overfishing, it is important to establish eff ective regulations, build the capacity of practitioners, and leverage the knowledge and experience of experts. In addition, the use of ocean observations and information that support the conservation and sustainable use of the ocean is crucial. Based on information about marine ecosystems and various human activities, effective policies and regulations can be developed. Therefore, it is essential to collect and analyze di verse information related to ocean conservation and use it to support appropriate decisi on-making and planning.

This session aims to introduce cases that utilize ocean information and technology to address current ocean issues and challenges. Through specific examples from the Asian region, the importance of applying ocean information and technology will be e mphasized, and the need for cooperation among countries and regions in ocean information and technology will be discussed.

K-MSP Session

In 2018, Korea established the "Marine Spatial Planning Act" and designated the entire sea area into nine designated use zones, including fishing activity protection zones, energy development zones, and marine environment and ecosystem management zones, based on the analysis results of marine spatial big data and consultations with stakeholders. By introducing the marine spatial suitability consultation system to review various usage and development plans in advance, a marine spatial management system was established. This integrated system of marine spatial management in Korea is considered a successful case of a local MSP, unlike the national-level MSP cases in European countries that are advanced in MSP. Currently, other countries in Asia, such as Bangladesh and Indonesia, are requesting cooperation on related regulations and technologies.

This session will introduce the background and current status of Korea's MSP (K-MSP) and provide detailed explanations of the data and related technologies applied during the establishment and implementation of MSP. Through this session, we aim to promote understanding of the MSP system and share knowledge and experience regarding the utilization of technology and information.

Plenary Session Objectives

- 1. To promote dialogue on the ocean and coastal issues in the Asian region.
- 2. To explore the role of ocean information in addressing regional issues.
- 3. To discuss detailed action plans to contribute to sustainable development in the Asian region.

Target Audience

The keynote session of the symposium is targeted to a diverse audience of up to 200 people, including government officials, research institutions, industry representatives, and local stakeholders. Participants may include senior representatives from international organizations, government ministers, policymakers, representatives from regional and local bodies, experts, researchers, students, and other local stakeholders.

Symposium Forum

The Symposium forum is designed as a platform for diverse communication among practi tioners, experts, and stakeholders in Asia and other countries on the use of ocean inform ation for various maritime and coastal issues. The main goal is to explore critical regional issues related to ocean and coastal spaces and coordinate with GEO Blue Planet working groups. Based on a review of the ocean and coastal issues in Asia and other countries, the forum will be organized around digital challenges and practical strategies. In addition, a space will be provided to discuss the detailed outcomes and follow-up actions of this annual symposium together.

Forum Objectives

- 1. To promote communication and collaboration within local communities regarding ocean and coastal issues.
- 2. To explore the role of ocean information in responding to ocean issues.
- 3. To discuss achievable outcomes for sustainable development in the Asian region and propose a new working group.

Target Audience

The Symposium forum is open to general participants throughout the Symposium. Partici pants include international organizations, regional organizations, experts, stakeholders, policymakers, and students in the Asia region.

Thematic Workshops

GEO Blue Planet plans to hold working group workshops by topic at this symposium to establish a network between practitioners, stakeholders, and ocean experts in the Asian region and countries. Eight ocean issues related to marine litter, coastal erosion, eutrophi cation, fisheries, oil spills, climate adaptation, and MSP will be covered in the workshops.

In each workshop, participants will be able to share GEO Blue Planet working group objec tives and details and participate in identifying the information necessary to address natio nal and regional ocean issues. Additionally, workshop participants will discuss the potent ial for working group support and collaboration, cooperation directions, and inter-workin g group interoperability for regional issues.

Workshop Objectives

- 1. To provide insight into the needs of stakeholders for responding to ocean issues.
- 2. To provide enhancement of understanding and knowledge for stakeholders in the Asian region.
- 3. To collect feedback from stakeholders on the potential for collaboration between the Asian region/nations and working groups.

Target Audience

GEO Blue Planet's thematic workshops will be conducted in parallel with side events and should attract the interest of various stakeholders who want to use the ocean and coastal information to support decision-making in the Asian region. These workshops are open to regional experts, NGOs, fisheries stakeholders, as well as public officials, research ins titutions, and students from local communities. In this session, practical managers of coa stal education in each country of the PEMSEA regional collaboration mechanism for marin e environmental management will participate.

Side Events

The symposium side events will be organized by related R&D project teams, academic or ganizations, and relevant institutions that are the target audience of the symposium. Thr ough these side events, the symposium's main topics and agendas related to ocean issues will be discussed, and they will serve as a means to encourage active participation from diverse groups.

Side Event Objectives

- 1. To discuss current issues related to sustainable oceans and coasts
- 2. To gain insights into mutual understanding and utilization of various ocean issues
- 3. To promote dialogue and collaboration among multiple stakeholders

Target Audience

The symposium side events will be held in parallel with the thematic workshops and are open to all symposium participants. Participants may include policymakers, researchers, stakeholders, local organizations, and anyone interested in the agenda and content of the side events.

Symposium Programme



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(Seoul, S. Korea | 31st Oct – 02nd Nov)

		Day 01 (31 st Oct)		
8:30-9:30	Registration			
	Opening cer Facilitator: Sa	emony ang-Hyeok Lee (KMI)	(Location: 2F Grand Ballroom)	
	9:30-9:40	Jong-Doeg KIM (KMI President)		
9:30-10:00	9:40-9:45	Woonyul Oh (KIMST President)		
	9:45-9:50	*Paul DiGiacomo (GEO Blue Planet Co-Chair NOAA Divi	ision Chief) *Video Presentation	
	9:50-10:00	<i>"Introduction to GEO Blue Planet and the Symposium"</i> Sung-Jin Cho (GEO Blue Planet Asia Secretariat KMI)		
10:00-10:10	Group Photo			
10:10-10:30	Coffee Break			
	Keynote Presentations		(Location: 2F Grand Ballroom)	
10:30-11:30	10:30-11:00	<i>"Issues and Challenges for Blue Economy"</i> Young Tae Chang (Professor Emeritus, Inha University)		
	11:00-11:30	<i>"State of Ocean and Coasts in the EAS region: challenge</i> Aimee Gonzales (Executive Director, PEMSEA)	es and opportunities"	
	Plenary session I: <i>Ocean and Coastal Challenges and Priorities in Asia and Pacific Region.</i> (Location: 2F Grand Ballroom) Session Co-chair: Aimee Gonzales (PEMSEA) & Rory Scarrott (University College Cork)			
Ī	11:30-11:35	Welcome from Moderator		
11:30- 12:30	11:35-11:45	<i>"Towards Roadmap 2030: Marine Challenges and Priori</i> Mahesh Pradhan (Coordinator, COBSEA)	ties for the Asia Pacific region"	
	11:45-11:50	<i>"GEO Blue Planet Opportunities"</i> Emily Smail (GEO Blue Planet US Secretariat NOAA)		
	11:50-11:55	Facing realities: A sense-check- Open for Comments		
	11:55-12:10	<i>"Focusing on People: The importance of considering reg for technology uptake"</i> Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community)	gional socio-economic contexts	
	12:10-12:30	Panel and audience deep dive Additional panelists: Suk Jae Kwon (KIOST) Laura David (UP Marine Science Institute) Yegor Volovik (Secretary Director, NOWPAP)		

		Day 01 (31 st Oct)		
	Plenary session II: Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans (Location: 2F Grand Ballroom) Session Co-chairs: Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community) & Piotr Zaborowski, (Open Geospatial Consortium)			
14:00- 15:30	14:00-14:10	Introductory remarks Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community) & Piotr Zabrowski (Open Geospatial Consorti		
	14:10-14:20	<i>"Enhancing User Experience in the Western Pacific and Marginal Seas of South and East Asia through the Digital Twin Ocean"</i> Ryo Furue (JAMSTEC)		
	14:20-14:30	30 <i>"New Trends of Reality Tech in Ocean: XR, Digital Twin and the Metaverse"</i> David Kim (CEO, Samwoo Immersion Co., Ltd.)		
	14:30-14:40	<i>"Coast Big-Data Platform: Discovering New Marine Industries w/ Bigdata"</i> Chol Young Lee (Director of Marine Bigdata·Al Center, KIOST)		
	14:40-14:50	<i>"The Development of Electronic Monitoring in the Western and Central Pacific Long line Fisheries"</i> Leontine Baje (The Pacific Community)		
	14:50-15:30	Panel Discussion: Opportunities, Challenges and Future Trends Presented by Digital Solutions for Users.		
15:30-16:00	Break			
16:00-17:30	Plenary session III: Introduction to K-MSP (Location: 2F Grand Ballroom) Session Chair: Jungho Nam (KMI)			
	16:00-16:10	Session Introduction		
	16:10-16:25	<i>"Marine Spatial Planning of the Republic of Korea"</i> Hee-Jung Choi (KMI)		
	16:25-16:40	<i>"Marine Spatial Assessment of the Republic of Korea"</i> Myoung Won Kim (GeoSR Inc.)		
	16:40-17:30	Panel Discussion Panelists: Yegor Volovik (Secretary Director, NOWPAP) Dong-Oh Cho (Senior Policy Consultant, KMI) Jeong-Kyu Yoo (Director of Marine Spatial Planning, KOEM)		
18:00-20:00	Dinner & 3 mi	nutes for melting pot.		

		Day 2 (1st Nov)			
	Workshop 1: Marine Litter (Location: 2F East Palace)	Workshop 2: Satellite Derived Bathymetry	Program: Session I		
9:00-10:30	Chair: Audrey Hasson (Mercator Ocean Intl.) & Sunwook Hong (OSEAN) Speakers: Young Nam Kim (KOEM) Jong Soo Lee (OSEAN) Audrey Hasson (Mercator Ocean Intl.) *Noriko Tamiya-Hase (Ministry of Environment Japan)	(Location: 2F West Palace) Chair: Nashwaan Matheen (MSRO) Speakers: Nashwaan Matheen (MSRO) Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community) Panelist: Jongkuk Choi (KIOST)	(Location: 2F Jewel Room) Session I Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia : Roadmap to 2030 Speaker: Nancy Bermas, PEMSEA Resource Facility		
	<i>*Video Presentation</i> Panelist: Yoon Jung Lee (KMI)				
10:30-11:00	Break				
11:00-12:30	Workshop 3: Fisheries (Location: 2F East Palace)	KIOST Session: Data Centers in Coast Big -Data Platform (Loca tion: 2F West Palace)	PEMSEA Learning Exchange Program: Session II (Location: 2F Jewel Room)		
	Chair: Nikelene Mclean (University of Maryland) Speakers:	Chair: Chol Young Lee (KIOST)	Session II Sharing Sessions 1. ICM and Sustainable Coastal		
	*A Gopalakrishnan (Central Marine Fisheries Institute, India) <i>*Video Presentation</i>	Speakers: Woo Ram Kim (Haebomdata Inc.) Jin II Song (Inha University Research and Business	Development Approaches 2. Biodiversity and Habitat Management 3. Role of Learning Institutions		
	Sukguen Jung (Jeju National University) Jaeyoon Park (Global Fishing Watch) Additional Panelists: Dong-Hun Go (KMI) Manasa Babitu	Foundation) Chan-Yeong Oh (OCEANIC Co., Ltd.) Ho-Seung Jung (OSEAN) Lukas Kim (NSONESOFT Co., Ltd.)	in Biodiversity Conservation and Management Speakers: PNLC members		
	(The Pacific Community)				
12:30-14:00					
14:00-17:30	Poster Session	•	(Location: Jewel Room)		
14:00-15:30	Workshop 4: Marine Spatial Planning Chair: Daeseok Kang (Pukyung National University) Speakers: Jungho Nam (KMI) Shenghui Li (Guangdong Ocean University) Sung-Jin Cho (KMI) Additional Panelists: Jong-Joo Yoon (Chungnam Institute) Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community) Makash Diradhar (Oceandinater CORSEA)				
15:30-16:00	Mahesh Pradhan (Coordinator, C Break				
16:00-17:30	Break Workshop 5: Data Needs for National Adaptation Planning (Location: 2F Ballroom) Co-Chairs: Joy Chakrabartty (NOAA) & David Cabana (GERICS) Speakers: Laura David (UP Marine Science Institute) Hak Soo Lim (KIOST) Soo-Min Kim (GeoSR Inc.)				
	Additional Panelists: In-Seong Han (National Institute of Fisheries Science, Korea)				

Day 3 (2nd Nov)						
	Symposium Forum Session I: <i>Digital Challenges and Activities in the Asia-Pacific Region</i> (Location: 19F Namsan Room)					
	Co-Chairs: Emily Smail (NOAA) & Mahesh Pradhan (COBSEA)					
9:00-10:30	9:00-9:10	Session Introduction				
	9:10-9:55	Speakers: Han San Park (MTCRC) Johnny Ching (De La Salle University) Hyunsoo Hur (Geostory Inc.) Emily Smail (NOAA)				
	9:55-10:30	Panel Discussion Additional Panelists: Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community) Piotr Zabrowski (Open Geospatial Consortium) Nashwaan Matheen (MSRO)				
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break					
	Symposium Forum Session II: Summary of 6 th GEO Blue Planet Symposium and the way forward					
	(Location: 19F Namsan Room) Chair: Jungho Nam (KMI)					
11:00-12:30	11:00-11:10	<i>Overview of Current Working Group Activities:</i> Audrey Hasson (Mercator Ocean Intl.)				
	11:10-11:20	<i>Summary of 5th GEO Blue Planet Symposium:</i> Nikelene Mclean (University of Maryland)				
	11:20-11:30	<i>Summary of Key Highlights from Plenary Sessions:</i> Joy Chakrabarrty (NOAA)				
	11:30-11:40	<i>Summary of Key Highlights from Thematic Workshops:</i> Nikelene Mclean (University of Maryland)				
	11:40-11:50	Operational Direction of GEO Blue Planet in Asia: Sang-Hyeok Lee (KMI)				
	11:50-12:20	Open Discussion				
	12:20-12:30	Concluding Remarks: Sung-Jin Cho (KMI)				
12:30-14:00	Lunch					

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Opening Ceremony



개 회 사

안녕하십니까? 한국해양수산개발원장 김종덕입니다.

「제6차 GEO Blue Planet 해양프로그램 심포지엄」에 참석해 주신 여러분께 진심으로 감사드립니다. 먼저 바쁜 일정에도 불구하고 심포지엄 준비에 큰 도움을 주신 해양수산과학기술진흥원 오운열 원장 님께 깊이 감사드립니다.

아울러 기조발표를 맡아주신 인하대학교 장영태 명예교수님과 PEMSEA(펨시)의 에이미 곤잘레스 (Aimee T. Gonzales) 사무국장님과 발표와 토론에 참여해 주신 모든 국내외 전문가들께도 특별한 감사의 말씀을 드립니다.

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이렇게 점점 복잡해지고 다양해지는 해양의 문제의 과학적 솔루션 개발을 위해, 전 세계 정부기관, 대 학·연구기관, 시민사회 등이 모여 GEO 산하에 GEO Blue Planet이라는 국제프로그램을 마련했습니 다. GEO Blue Planet은 개방적.지속적 해양 데이터의 공유와 인프라 확충을 통한 해양 솔루션 개발 을 목표로 합니다.

KMI는 2021년 7월 해양과학 기반의 해양문제 해결을 위한 국제사회 거버넌스에 동참하기 위해 북미 지역, 유럽연합에 이어 세 번째로 아시아 지역사무국을 설립했습니다.

내외 귀빈 여러분,

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귀빈 여러분,

한국해양수산개발원은 앞으로 국내외 유관기관과 긴밀한 협력관계를 통해 해양의 지속가능성을 위한 정책을 개발하는데 지속적으로 노력할 것입니다. 특히 오늘 심포지엄을 계기로 디지털 기반 지속가능 한 해양관리체제를 구축하도록 노력하겠습니다.

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Opening remarks

This is Kim Jong-Deog, President of the KMI (Korea Maritime Institute). I sincerely appreciate everyone who attended the 6th GEO Blue Planet Symposium.

A special thanks goes to Oh Woonyul, President of the KIMST (Korea Institute of Marine Science & Technology Promotion) for a significant assistance in organizing the symposium, despite a busy schedule.

I also want to thank Professor Chang Young-Tae, Honorary Professor at Inha University, and Aimee T. Gonzales, and the Executive Director of the PEMSEA (Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia) who delivered the keynote address. I also express my gratitude to Dr. Yegor Volovik, the Secretary Director of NOWPAP, Mr. Mahesh Pradhan, the Coordinator of COBSEA, and all local and international experts who participated in presentations and discussions.

Ladies and gentlemen,

We are well aware of the fact that the ocean is closely intertwined with human civilization and economic activities. According to the UN (2017), the ocean-based economy is estimated to be around 3 trillion dollars, and 37% of the world's population depends on the ocean for their livelihoods. Moreover, people worldwide exchange over 80% of goods through the sea, and undersea cables, laid beneath the ocean floor, facilitate the exchange of 99% of global data.

The ocean, serving as the heart and circulatory system of the Earth, has safeguarded human civilization, and its role will remain pivotal in the future.

However, there is a growing acknowledgment that the climate crisis translates into an imminent ocean crisis. Furthermore, environmental pollution, ecosystem degradation, and the reduction of marine habitats are significantly compromising the environmental and ecological values of the ocean. This is why we need to advance into more data-driven and scientifically based ocean management to address these pressing issues and challenges.

To address the increasingly complex and diverse challenges that the ocean faces, the governments, universities, research institutions, civil society, and other stakeholders worldwide have come together under the auspices of GEO to establish the international program known as "GEO Blue Planet." GEO Blue Planet aims to develop scientific solutions for the ocean problems by promoting the open and continuous sharing of ocean data and enhancing infrastructure.

In July 2021, following engagements in the North American region and the European Union, KMI established its third regional office in Asia to actively participate in the international governance for addressing ocean-related issues based on marine science.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Currently, a vast amount of ocean data is rapidly generated not only from the ocean itself but also from space. However, the proportion of this data utilized in ocean policies, such as marine spatial planning and ocean environmental management, remains low. Therefore, I believe that proposing digital solutions that effectively connect ocean data with environmental, social, and economic issues is essential to achieve sustainable development in the ocean.

This is why the symposium themed "Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans" is of significant importance. Today, we anticipate sharing global conditions of ocean data production and utilization, with a special focus on discussing in-depth strategies for the sustainable use of ocean data, particularly in the Asian region. We hope that the creative insights presented in today's presentations and discussions will serve as robust cornerstones for securing the sustainability of the ocean.

Distinguished guest,

The KMI will continue its efforts to develop policies for the sustainability of the ocean through close collaboration with relevant local and international organizations. In particular, on the occasion of today's symposium, we will strive to establish a digital-based sustainable ocean management system.

I would like to express deep gratitude to everyone who joined us today and extend sincere thanks to the private companies and research institutions that sponsored this event. We extend a sincere welcome to the foreign experts who came to Korea, and we hope your time here proves to be valuable.

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Thank you.

31 October 2023 President, Korea Maritime Institute Jong-Deog KIM

축 사

여러분 안녕하십니까? 반갑습니다. 해양수산과학기술진흥원 원장 오운열입니다.

벌써 6번째를 맞이하는 '지오 블루플래닛 심포지엄 (GEO Blue Planet Sympoisium)'의 개최를 진 심으로 축하드립니다.

오늘 뜻깊은 행사를 준비해 주신 김종덕 한국해양수산개발원장님께 감사드리며, 이 자리를 빛내기 위 해 함께 자리하여 주신 분들, 전 KMI 원장님이시자 현재 인하대학교 교수님이신 장영태 교수님, PEMSEA의 사무국장이신 Ms. Aimee Gonzales, NOWPAP의 사무국장이신 Dr. Yegor Volovik,COBSEA의 사무국장이신 Mr. Mahesh Pradhan, 한분 한분 언급드리기 어렵지만 그 외 바쁘신 일정에도 불구하고 자리를 빛내주신 모든 내외 귀빈 여러분, 감사합니다.

이 자리에 참석해 주신 해양수산과학기술 공동체 멤버 여러분, 우리는 오늘, 해양 현안 대응을 위해 해 양정책이 더욱 과학과 증거에 기반해야 한다는 당위적 명제에 공감하여 이 자리에 모였습니다.

과학기술 발전과 디지털화의 진전을 이룬 선진국들은 정책입안 과정에서 과학기술과 데이터를 활발 히 활용해 나가고 있습니다. 그러나, 아직까지 지식인프라가 부족한 일부 도서국과 개발도상국들은 과학기반 정책을 추진하는데 있어 어려운 점이 있는 것도 사실입니다. 하지만 바다는 월경성 속성을 가지고 있습니다. 어느 한 국가의 노력만으로는 지속가능한 바다를 이루는 것이 불가능하다는 점을 이 자리에 함께하신 여러분들과 공유하고 싶습니다.

국제사회와 지역사회에서 국가간 협력이 중요한 이유가 여기에 있고, UN이 2030년까지를 해양과학기술의 국제협력을 위한 "Ocean Decade"로 선언하여 "The Science we need for the ocean we want"라는 슬로건 아래 국제협력 증진에 총력을 기울이는 이유 또한 여 기에 있는 것으로 알고 있습니다.

그런 의미에서, 이번 심포지엄에서 "디지털 기반 지속가능한 해양관리"를 논의하고,아시아 지역의 국제협력과 전문가 네트워크를 강화하는 것은 국제사회가 주도하는 전 지구적 노력에 부합하는 매우 뜻 깊은 자리라고 생각합니다.

한국 정부는 과학기술 기반의 해양정책 수립을 위해 2006년, 해양수산과학기술진흥원을 설 립하였습니다. 우리 해양수산과학기술진흥원은 해양수산 분야 과학기술 현안을 정책에 반영 시키고, 연구개발 기획과 더불어 연구 성과를 확산시키기 위해 노력해 왔습니다.

2006년, 대한민국의 해양수산 예산 가운데 약 55%가 항만 건설에 투입된 적이 있었습니다. 당시 R&D 예산의 비중은 5.2%에 불과했습니다. 17년이 지난 지금, R&D 예산 비중은 14.9%로 성장했습니다. 이는, 해양과학기술을 통해 해양의 전지구적 문제를 해결하고 해양 국가 비전을 달성한다는 의지의 표현입니다.

해양수산과학기술진흥원은 친환경 선박, 블루카본 기술개발 등 탄소중립을 선도하고, 자율운항선박, 디지털 해상교통물류, 데이터 기반 수산기술 개발 등 디지털 전환을 이끌기 위한 연구개발에 매진하 고 있습니다. 또한, 연안재해 대응, 해양과학영토 확대, 수산업의 신성장 동력 도약 등 해양수산분야 위기대응을 위해 끊임없는 연구개발을 추진하고 있습니다.

이에 더불어, 우리 해양수산과학기술진흥원은 국제협력을 통해 개도국을 지원하는 업무도 수행해 왔 습니다. 인도네시아, 칠레 등 신남방 국가에 협력 거점을 마련하고, 네트워크 기반을 구축하여 해양쓰 레기, 블루카본, 스마트양식 등 공동협력 아젠다를 발굴하여 연구를 지원해 왔습니다. 그리고 올해 해 양분야 위기 대응에 더욱 앞장서고자 유네스코 IOC가 발의한 'UN 해양과학 10개년 계획' 이행을 위 한 신규사업도 새롭게 추진하였습니다.

존경하는 내외 귀빈 여러분,

더욱 심각해지는 기후위기를 막을 수 있는 열쇠는 과학기술에 있으며, 재차 강조하지만 이제는 어느 때보다 국가, 지역, 국제사회가 소통하고 협력해야 할 때입니다.

오늘 심포지엄을 통해 "디지털 기반 지속가능한 해양관리"에 대한 심도 있는 토론이 이루어지길 바라 며, 오늘 여러 전문가 분들이 주신 좋은 의견들이 우리나라 해양정책에 기여할 수 있도록 돕겠습니다. 다시 한번, 제6회 지오 블루플래닛 심포지엄 개최를 축하드리며, 참석하신 모든 분들의 건강과 행복 을 기원합니다.

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감사합니다.

2023. 10. 31. 해양수산과학기술진흥원 원장 오 운 열

Congratulatory remarks

Hello everyone? Nice to meet you.

My name is Woonyul Oh, I am President of the KIMST (Korea Institute of Marine Science and Technology Promotion).

I sincerely congratulate the GEO Blue Planet Symposium, which gathers for the 6th time this year.

I would like to thank Kim Jong-Deog, President of the Korea Maritime Institute (KMI), for preparing today's meaningful event, as well as those who have joined us to bring light to this occasion, prof. Yong Tae Chang, former President of KMI and now Professor at Inha University, Ms. Aimee Gonzales, the Executive Director of PEMSEA, Dr. Yegor Volovik, the Secretary Director of NOWPAP, Mr. Mahesh Pradhan, the Coordinator of COBSEA. It is impossible to mention each and every person, but I would like to thank all the distinguished guests, both local and foreign, for coming despite their busy schedules.

Dear members of the marine and fisheries science and technology community who attended this event!

Today, We are gathered here because we agree with the imperative that, to respond to current ocean issues, the ocean policy should be more based on science and evidence.

Developed countries that have made progress in scientific and technological development and digitalization are actively utilizing science, technology, and data in the policy-making process. However, it is true that some island and developing countries that still lack knowledge infrastructure face difficulties in promoting science-based policies. However, the sea has transboundary properties. I would like to show all of you here that it is impossible to get a sustainable ocean through the efforts of any one country alone.

This is why cooperation between countries is important in the international and local communities. I understand that this is also the reason why the UN has declared the period until 2030 as the "Ocean Decade" for international cooperation in ocean science and technology and is making every effort to promote international cooperation under the slogan "The Science we need for the ocean we want."

In that sense, I believe that discussing "Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans" and strengthening international cooperation and expert networks in the Asian region during this symposium is a very important, and is in line with global efforts led by the international community.

The Korean government established KIMST in 2006 to establish ocean policies based on science and technology. The KIMST has strived to reflect current science and technology issues in the marine and fisheries field into policies and to spread research results along with research and development planning.

In 2006, approximately 55% of Korea's marine and fisheries budget went to port construction. At that time, the R&D budget was only 5.2%. Now, 17 years later, the R&D budget's share has grown to 14.9%. This is an expression of our will to solve global ocean problems and achieve the vision of a ocean nation through ocean science and technology.

The KIMST is committed to research and development to lead carbon neutrality, such as the development of eco-friendly ships and blue carbon technology, and to lead digital transformation, such as Maritime Autonomous Surface Ship(MASS), digital maritime transportation logistics, and data-based fisheries technology development. In addition, we are continuously pursuing research and development to respond to crises in the marine and fisheries sector, such as responding to coastal disasters, expanding the territory of marine science, and leapfrogging new growth engines in the fisheries industry.

In addition, the KIMST has also been carrying out work to support developing countries through international cooperation. We have established cooperation bases in southern countries such as Indonesia and Chile, established a network foundation, and supported research by discovering joint cooperation agendas such as marine litter, blue carbon, and smart aquaculture. This year, in order to take the lead in responding to crises in the marine sector, we also promoted a new project to implement the 'UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development(UN Decade)' proposed by Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO.

Distinguished guests,

The key to preventing the climate crisis from becoming more serious lies in science and technology. I emphasize again that now, more than ever, it is the time for countries, regions, and international community to communicate and cooperate.

We hope that today's symposium will lead to in-depth discussions on "Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans" and that the good opinions provided by various experts today will help contribute to our country's ocean policy. Once again, we congratulate you on holding the 6th GEO Blue Planet Symposium, and we wish good health and happiness to all who attended.

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Thank you.

31 October 2023 President, Korea Institute of Marine Science and Technology Promotion Woonyul Oh

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Introduction to GEO Blue Planet and the Symposium



Sung-Jin Cho¹ ¹Korea Maritime Institute (KMI)



GEO Initiative - GEO Blue Planet

Purpose

- · Enhancing synergy through the integration of coastal and ocean observation programs,
- promoting stakeholder participation and collaboration,
- and raising awareness of the societal benefits of ocean observation data in policy decision-making.
- Role
 - BRIDGING THE GAP between ocean and coastal observational data and societal needs to deliver actionable information
- Co-chairs
 - · Dr. Paul DiGiacomo (Chief of SOCD, NOAA) & Dr. Pierre-Yves Le Traon (Mercator Ocean Intl.)
- Governance
 - · Comprised of an Executive/Operational Committee, Advisory Committee, and Secretariat.



GEO Initiative - GEO Blue Planet

Ongoing Initiatives

- Operation of a Marine Litter Monitoring Platform
- · Establishment of a Network of Oceanic Institutions
- Support for the UN Ocean Science Program
- Early Warning Systems for Disasters and Flooding
- Monitoring of Ocean Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Working Groups (WGs)

- Addressing coastal and marine issues and enhance stakeholder capacity.
- Issues including climate change, coastal erosion, marine litter, eutrophication, and illegal fishing, among others.

Linking Ocean and Coastal Information with Society









Thank You.

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Keynote Presentations





Prof. Young-Tae (YT) Chang

Inha University, Republic of Korea

Prof. Young-Tae (YT) Chang is Professor Emeritus at Graduate School of Logistics at Inha University in Incheon, Korea. YT worked for the Korea Ocean Institute of Science and Technology and the Korea Maritime Institute for twenty years including two years' presidency at KMI. While conducting 72 national and international projects, YT has published 8 books and over 90 journal papers. He is PhD and MA in Business Administration at Yonsei University, MSc in Port and Shipping Administration at World Maritime University in Sweden and BSc in Veterinary Medicine at Seoul National University.



Ms. Aimee T. Gonzales

Executive Director, PEMSEA Resource Facility

Aimee T, Gonzales is the Executive Director of the Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA), a regional coordinating mechanism specializing in ocean governance in the East Asian Seas.

Prior to joining PEMSEA, she worked with WWF International on promoting coherence between trade and environment policies, marine ecosystem services valuation and fisheries subsidies reform.

Before then, she served as Head Executive Assistant to two Cabinet Secretaries of the Philippine Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

She holds a Masters in Environmental Assessment and Education from the London School of Economics and a Masters' Degree in Public Policy from the National University of Singapore.

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Issues and Challenges for Blue Economy



Young-Tae Chang

Graduate School of Logistics

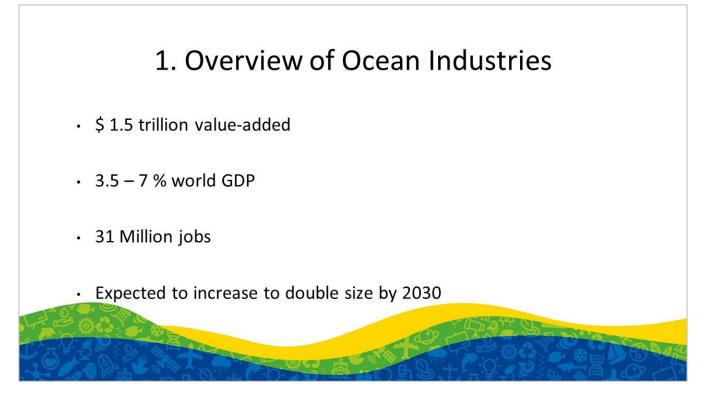
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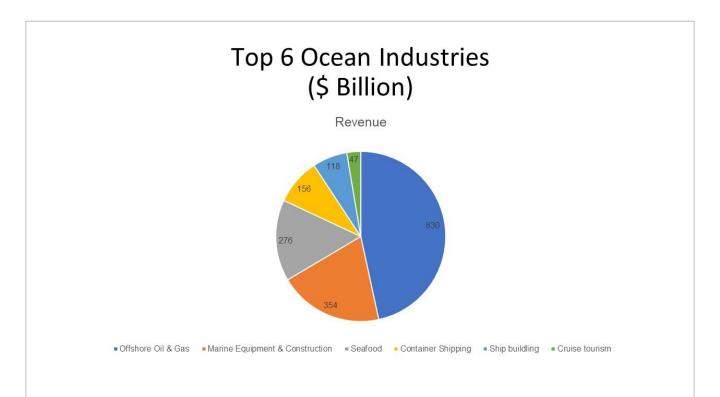


Outline

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- 1. Overview of Ocean Industries
- 2. Major Issues of Maritime Industries
- 3. Challenges and Responses





Major Concerns of Ocean Industries

- Unsustainable Fisheries
 - > 3 times production increase vs. stock depletion since 1970s
 - > 20% IUU (Illegal, Unreported & Unregulated) fishing
 - > Sea food system will collapse by 2050
- Pollution
 - > Over 1 million tons plastics
 - > Deep sea pollution due to oil & gas, and mineral extraction



2. Major Issues of Maritime Industries

Shipping: lynchpin of international trade

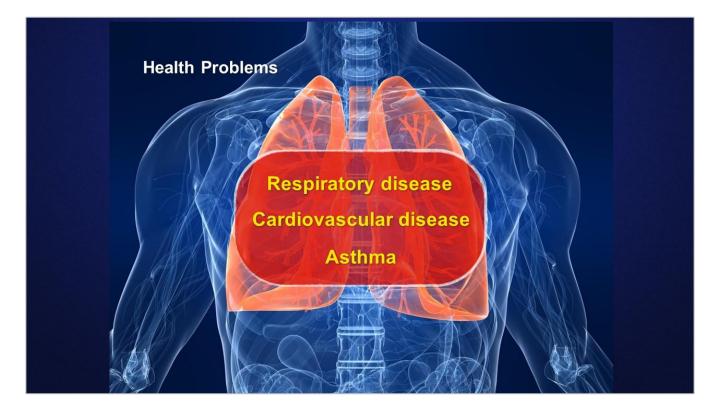
- 80 % of trade
- GHG 3% now, but 18% by 2050: 6 times

UNFCCC' 92 Kyoto Protocol' 97 Paris Agreement 2015

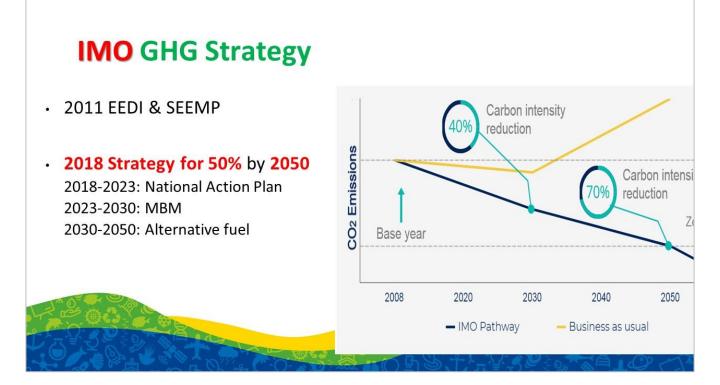
Main Source : Internal Combustion





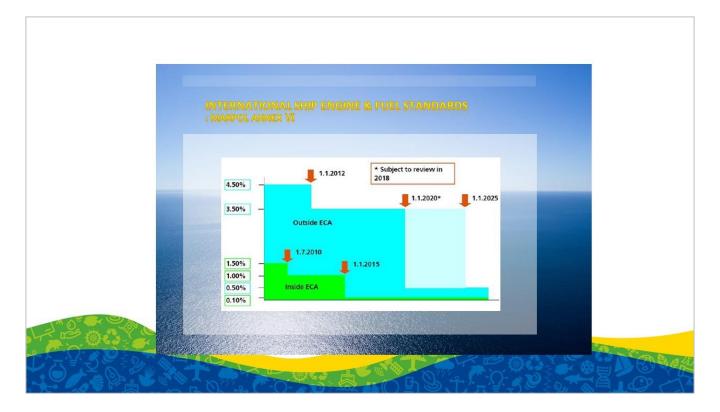














IMO is too slow! Region can't wait! • EU Fit for 55 EU Carbon Border Adjustment **Business risk** Mechanism (CBAM): Oct. 1, 2023 for investment US Balastwater Management **Can we trust Carbon Footprinting ?** Mapping Monitoring & Reduction Monitoring, Reporting & **Verification (MRV)**

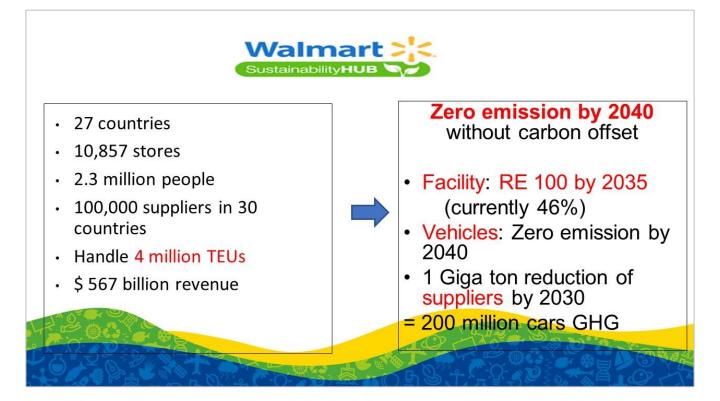
Industry Responses: Compliance strategy

Waste Heat Recovery



•Low sulfer fuel, biodiesel, LNG, etc. Electrification









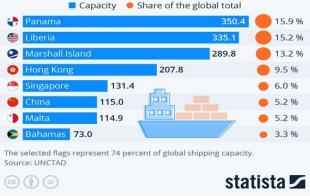


Certainty & Level-playing field: Pollution Heaven



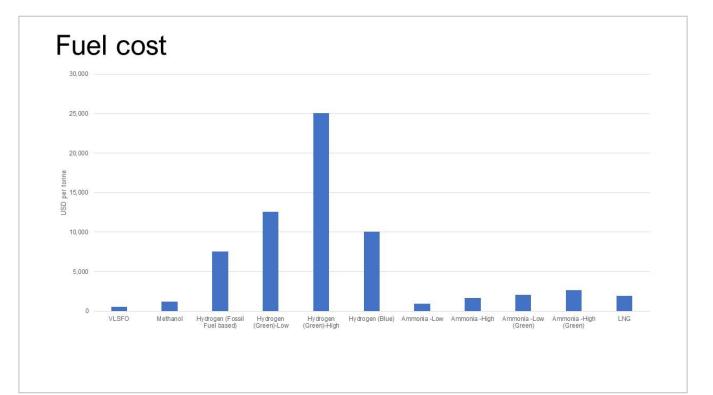
Flags of Convenience Dominate Maritime Freight

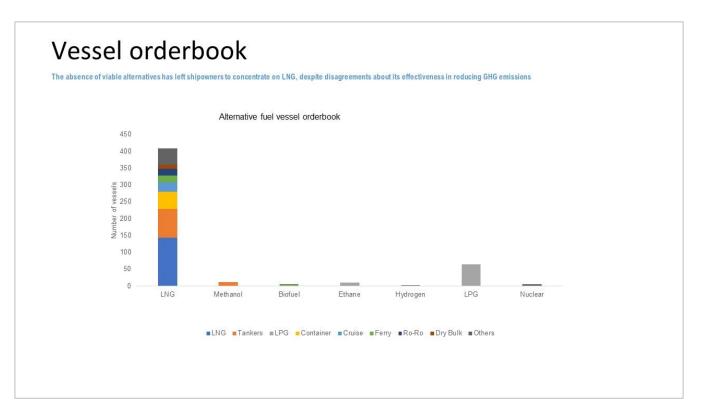
Vessels' countries of registration by total loading capacity in 2022 (million deadweight tons)



Emissions reduction measures

Options available	Remark	
Alternative fuels	Results in a significant drop in CO_2 emission. However, he fuel has to be selected carefully, considering the emission of other gasses and well-to-wake emission. May require considerable modifications.	
Energy efficient technologies	Renewable energy sources, for example, wind assistance systems like kites, fixed sails, flettner rotors, solar panels.	
Engine power limitation	This is lowering of the engine power, resulting in a lower speed of the vessel.	
Energy saving devices	Propulsion optimisation or propulsion improving devices (PID) are propellers or rudder modifications like propeller Hi-FIN attachment, energy saving rudder with bulb fins, Becker Mewis duct, Propeller Boss Cap Fin (PBCF) etc.	
Propeller/hull cleaning	By removing the marine growth on the hull, the speed of the vessel increases.	
Engine optimisation	Variation of fuel injection time and pressure for more efficient combustion of fuel.	
Hull modification	Bulbous bow modification, air lubrication system (bubble technology) reduces the friction and therefore, increases the speed.	
Hull paints	Various paints are available to reduce marine growth on the hull which causes a reduction in speed.	
Shaft generator	Installation of this on the propeller shaft, generates electricity and reduces the need for auxiliary engines.	
Trim optimisation	For a given draft and speed, there is a trim which results in minimum resistance of the vessel through the water.	
Weather routing using digital twin	A combination of weather parameters are applied to the digital twin of the vessel to reduce the fuel consumption.	
New charterparty clauses	Slow steaming clause and virtual arrival clauses as well, as the Just In Time concept, allows the vessel to reduce speed and emission.	

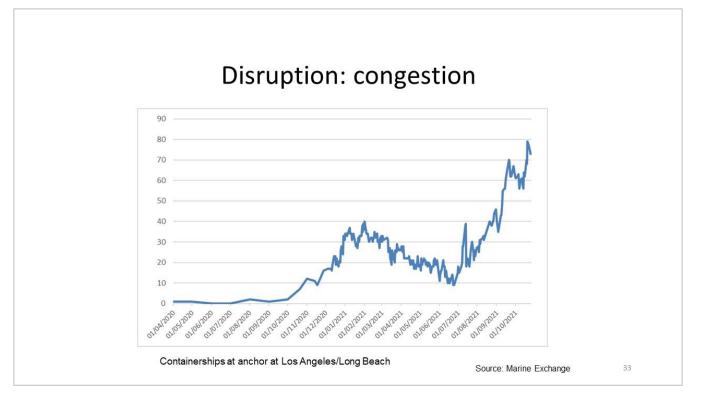


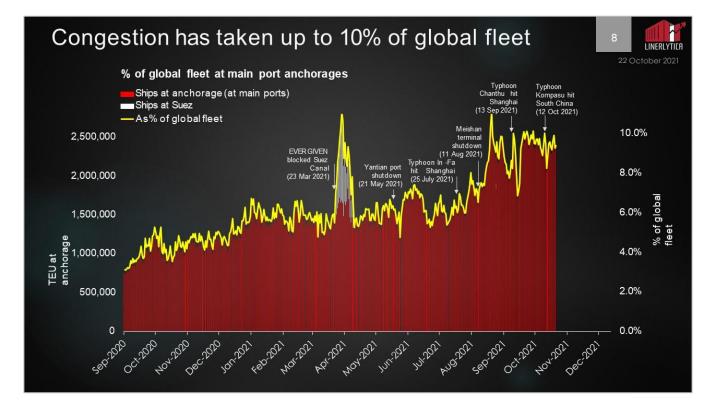


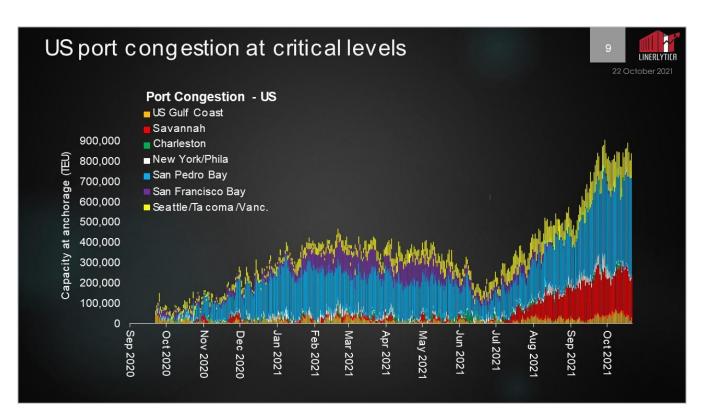


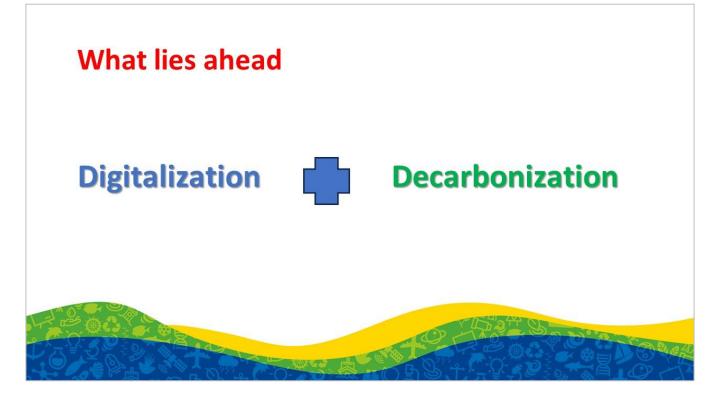












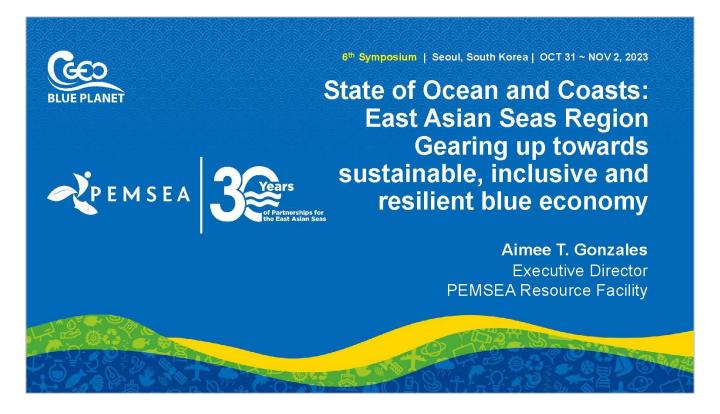
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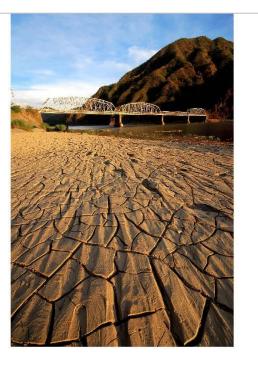
Outline of Presentation

- Introduction to the East Asian Seas Region
- Regional socio-economic development outlook
- Regional state of ocean and coasts-
 - objectives, process, results, lessons
- Opportunities for collaboration to transition to blue economy in the run up to 2030



Regional economic outlook (IMF, ADB, WB 2023)

- The economic outlook for Asia and the Pacific remains upbeat, with the region's developing economies expected to grow 4.7% in 2023, and 4.8% in 2024, but risks remain elevated.
- Risks of supply disruptions and wide-ranging effects of El Nino raises issue of food security
- Financial stability risks require continued vigilance in vulnerable economies as the era of easy money ends



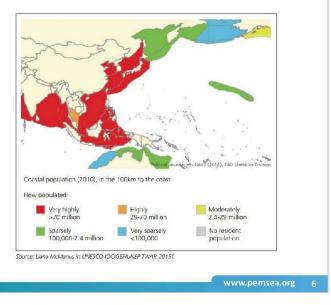
Regional socio-economic development trends – poverty remains and inequality is growing



- 316 M people live in extreme poverty
- 915 M people live below \$3.20/day
- · Income inequality has risen in several countries
- A host of development problems gender gaps, food insecurity, basic sanitation, safe drinking water — endanger stability and economic progress
- **\$26.2 trillion** investment needed between 2016–2030 for infrastructure, growth, poverty eradication, and responding to climate change

Regional socio-economic development trends – population is growing and rapidly urbanizing

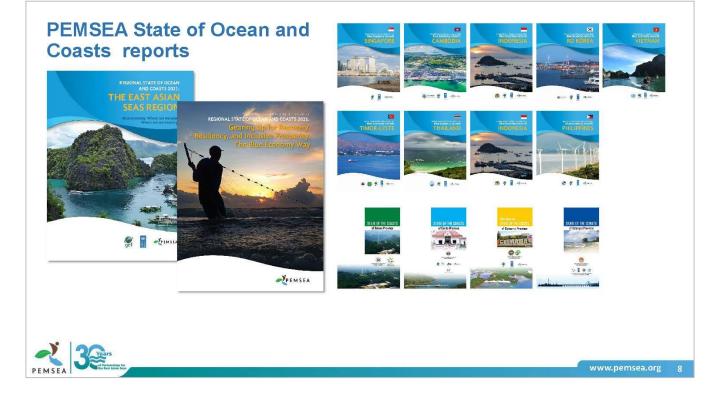
- World population: 7.6 B in 2016, increasing to 8.6 B in 2030, to 9.8 B in 2050
- Asia is the **second largest contributor** to global population growth
- Share of urban population increased from 20% in the 1950s, to 50% in 2017, and further increasing to 58% in 2030
- Rapidly growing cities are complex to manage

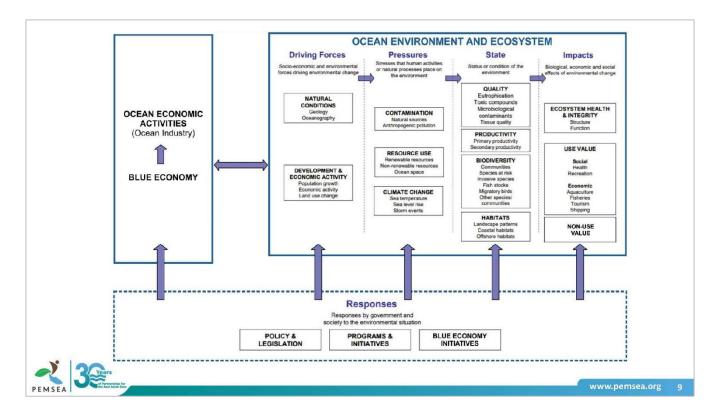




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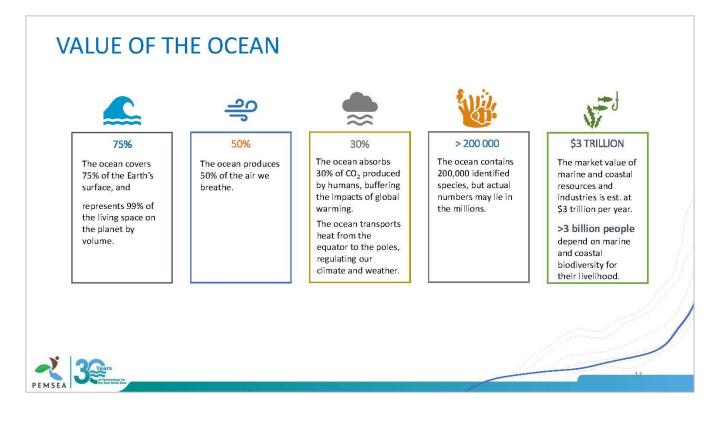




Objectives of the Regional Ocean and Coasts report with Blue economy theme

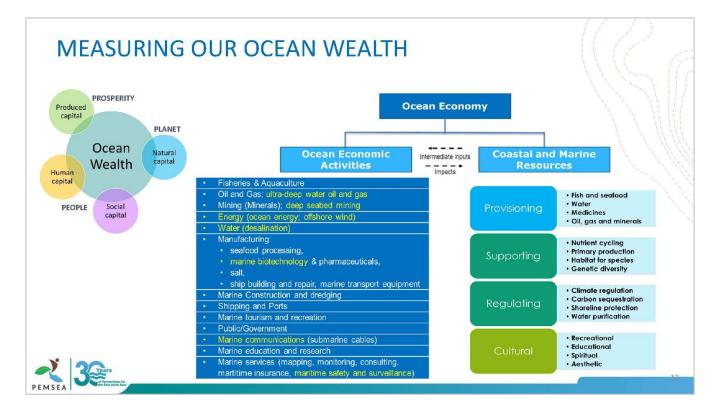
- show the critical role and contribution of ocean economic activities and coastal and marine ecosystems to national economies and welfare of the people in the EAS region
- · examine the benefits, costs, and impacts at the regional and national levels
- emphasize the values of ecosystem services, and the losses being incurred due to unsustainable practices
- · assess the environmental damages and impacts of human activities
- · show how natural hazards and climate change can affect blue economy development
- examine policies, and governance and supporting mechanisms to drive innovations and sustainability
- draw attention to investment and partnership opportunities

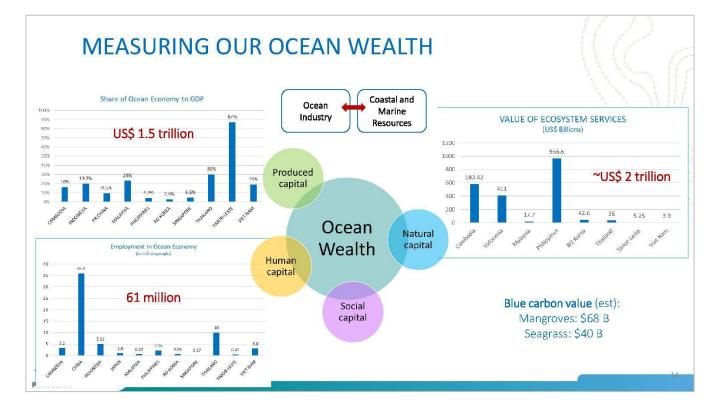


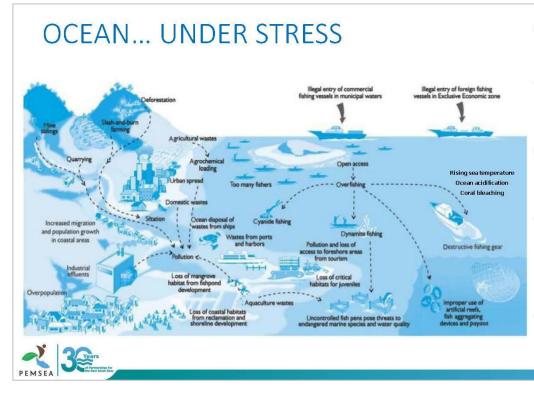


The ocean provides...



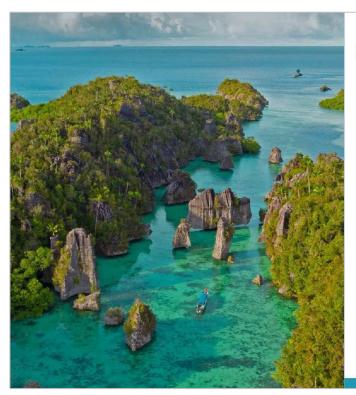






- Overexploitation of resources: IUU fishing, illegal mining
- Habitat loss: degradation of coral reefs, seagrass, mangroves, mudflats
- Pollution from sewage, agricultural runoff, siltation, oil spills, plastics, marine debris
- Climate change: sea level rise, coastal erosion, ocean warming, coral bleaching, ocean acidification
- Multiple resource use conflicts

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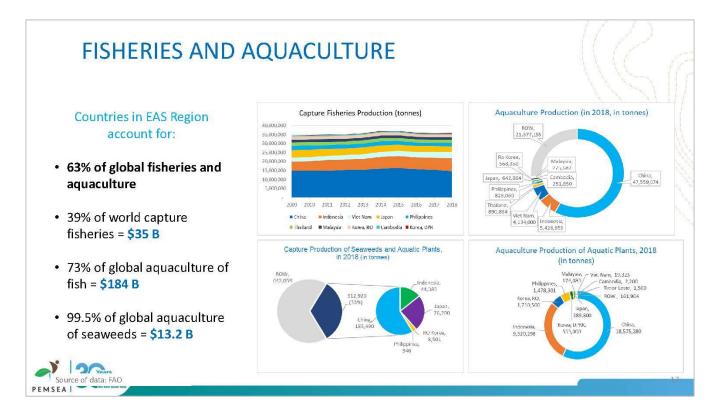


BLUE ECONOMY

"We understand the Blue Economy to be a practical **oceanbased** economic model using green infrastructure and technologies, innovative financing mechanisms, and proactive institutional arrangements for meeting the twin goals of **protecting our oceans and coasts and enhancing their potential contribution to sustainable development**, including improving human wellbeing, and reducing environmental risks and ecological scarcities."

Changwon Declaration 2012





SUSTAINABLE AND SAFE FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

Conservation

- MSY, Reference Points and Harvest Control Rules
- Total allowable catch
- Closed fishing season
- Ban of certain gears
- Vessel reduction
- Fish sanctuaries & MPAsFisheries Management
- Areas (FMAs)
- Integrated coastal management

Anti-IUU Fishing

- Monitoring, control and surveillance
- Vessel registration, and automatic identification system
- Electronic catch documentation and traceability (tuna and sardines)
- Other port measures

Aquaculture

- Code of Good
- Aquaculture Practices
- Aquanonic
- Integrated multi-trophic aquaculture
- Crab condominium
- Marine ranching
- Fish farm mechanization
- Feeds & nutrient mgt
- Biotechnology

Supporting policies and actions

- Fish ports, community fish landing centers, and
- post-harvest facilities
 Value-adding industries,
- linkage to e-commerce
 MSC labeling
- Habitat restoration and protection
- Waste management
- Marine debris prevention
- Digitalization, blockchain, sensors, imagery

FISH PORTS

INDONESIA:





RO KOREA:

State-owned fishery harbor:

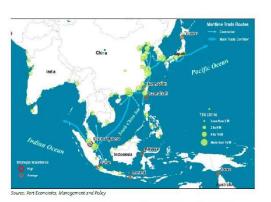
- fishery harbor required for development of fishing grounds; also serves as evacuation center of fishing vessels in remote areas
- Number: 117
- Local fishery harbor:
 - main base serving coastal fisheries
 - Number: 284
- Village fishery harbor: small-scale; main base for livelihood of people in fishing villages
- Village joint-use fishery harbor: small-scale, and jointly used by fishers and other people in the village

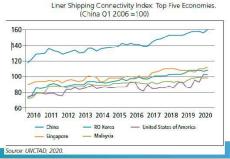
Blue Ports

- Fish waste collection and reuse
- Solar-powered cold storage facilities
- Monitoring and reporting of IUU fishing
 - Collaboration with scientists

PORTS AND SHIPPING

- 80% 90% of world's trade is through shipping (UNCTAD)
- EAS countries:
 - 48% of world container port traffic in 2018
 - Nine of the top ten container ports in the world
 - Four of the top five ports in liner shipping connectivity
- Port of Singapore:
 - top in the region for quality of port infrastructure
- Japan:
 - highest in the region for logistics performance index







GREEN PORTS FOR BLUE ECONOMY

Issues:

- Air, water, and noise pollution causing environmental degradation and health issues.
- Threats to local marine species.
- Destruction of marine ecosystems/ habitats/ ecology.
- Negative impacts on livelihood of locals.
- High cost of clean-up
- Bad image for ports and host states/ countries.

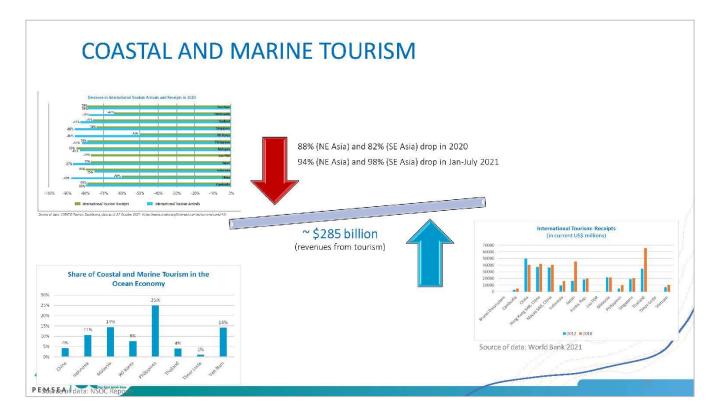
Ports	Ranks	Volume (Million TEUs)
Shanghai, China	1	36.54
Singapore	2	30.92
Hong Kong	5	20.07
Busan, South Korea	6	19.45
Jebel Ali (Dubai), UAE	9	15.60
Port Klang, Malaysia	12	11.89
Kaohsiung, Taiwan	13	10.26
Port of Tanjung Pelepas, Malaysia	17	9.10

These ports won the Green Port Award of the APEC Port Services Network (APSN)



Malaysia:

- Tackling oil and chemical spills: Emergency Response Plan
 Joint cooperation with neighboring countries
- Port Tanjung Pelapas: Port Safety, Health and Environmental Management System (PSHEMS)
- Ballast Water Management
- Study of Fuel Quality of Ships in Ports
- Energy, Electricity & Fuel Saving
- Environment Initiatives



RECOVERY WITH SUSTAINABLE TOURISM



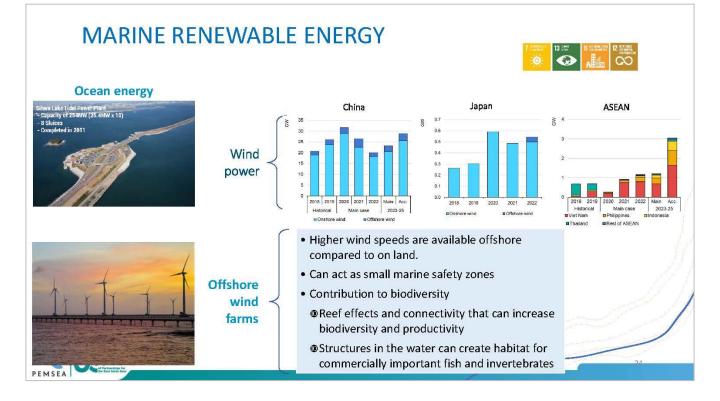
Zero-carbon resorts

Philippines:

- accumulated annual savings of 247 sampled companies: amounted to USD 8,636,208.76;
- > a reduction in energy of 38 MWh;
- > 714,427,966.30 liters of water;
- > avoided 23,348,538.52 kg of carbon emissions

Thailand:

- accumulated annual savings of 23 companies is U\$\$828,612.
- offset the energy consumption equivalent to 15,068 households, and the water consumption of 183 homes
- > annual fuel consumption avoided is equivalent to 157 cars, while the avoided carbon emissions offset 1,554 vehicles.



POLLUTION REDUCTION AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY

From waste to resource





Green transportation:





Gaps > Regular water quality

- monitoring > Capacity for integrated waste management: wastewater, solid waste, toxic and hazardous waste, plastics, and marine debris
- ➤ Facilities for collection, treatment, proper disposal, recycling, and reuse
- > Affordable financing
- > Access to cost-effective technologies

HABITAT RESTORATION

BENEFITS

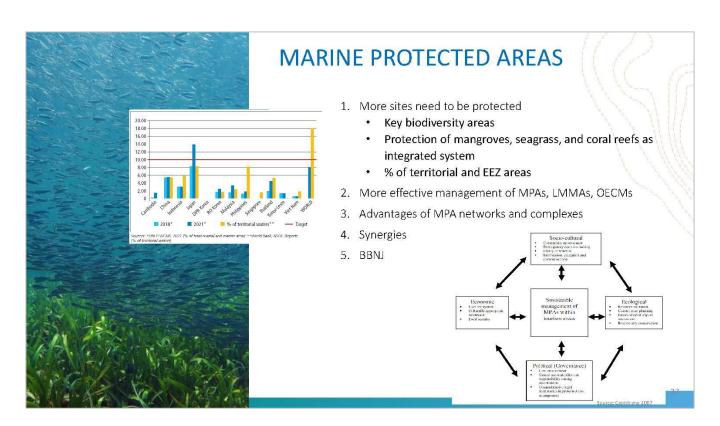
- Climate change mitigation: blue carbon (carbon sequestration and storage)
 - Mangroves: ~ \$68 B
 - Seagrass: ~ \$40 B ٠
- Protection from erosion, flooding, storm surge

Other ecosystem services:

- fisheries, tourism, food ingredients, medicines, nutrient cycling, waste assimilation, etc.
- Job creation:
 - planting, caring, protecting, monitoring, research







Knowledge Management and Capacity Development

Monitoring, Forecasting and Modeling, Restoration and Protection

- Data analytics and modeling
- Digitalization
- Use of innovative technologies: > Artificial intelligence and
 - deep learning
- Sensors
- Drone, satellite, and aerial imagery
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Carrying capacity studies
- Fish stock assessment
- Climate change vulnerability and exposure assessment, forecasting, impact modeling

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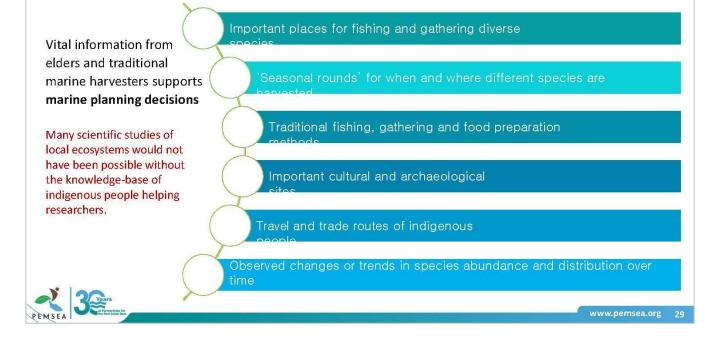
Environment and natural resource accounting

- Ocean accounts
 - GVA of ocean economic activities and employment
 - Natural capital and ecosystem services (mangroves, coral reefs, seagrass, salt marsh)
 - Backward and forward linkages, multiplier effects
- Fisheries accounts
- Forestry accounts
- Water accounts
- Waste accounts
- Environmental damage
- Climate change

Sustainable fisheries and habitats

- Fishing vessels: Universal monitoring, control and surveillance
- Habitat and biodiversity protection
- Use of innovative technologies:
 - Electronic catch documentation and traceability system
 - digitalization, blockchain, information management
 - imagery, machine learning models, and
 - computer vision technology
 - visible infrared imaging radiometer suite (VIIRS)
- Role of women and traditional knowledge

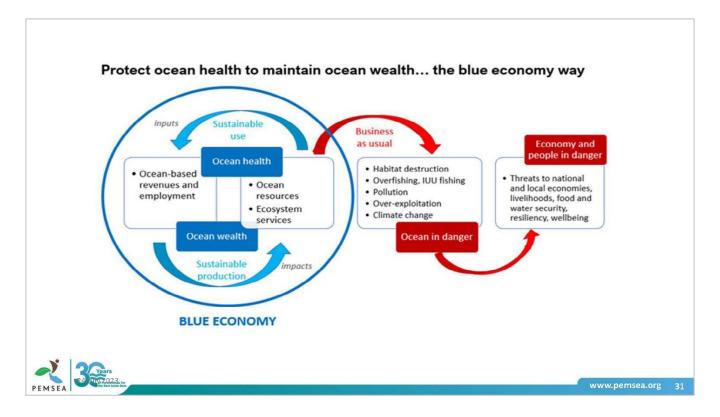
Traditional Knowledge: Ecological and Cultural Information





Gender Equality and Social Inclusion

- Role of women
 - > In society, coastal communities
 - > Opportunities in blue economy sectors
 - Role in habitat restoration, protection, and monitoring
- Diversity in labor force
- Marginalized sectors
 - > fisherfolk
 - Indigenous peoples (IPs)
 - seniors and children
 - > PWD



Impacts

- Increased awareness and understanding
- Foster interagency and multisectoral collaboration
- Applications in policy and planning
- International recognition

Challenges

- Lack of common understanding of blue economy
- Data availability/access to data
- Lack of capacity (blue economy- new concept)
- Lengthy processes (start/ review period)



Transitioning to blue economy

Build a shared understanding of the ocean and blue economy.

- Blue economy assessment (National State of Ocean and Coasts Report)
- Ocean accounting
- Ocean monitoring and modeling
- Digitalization of ocean economy and application of innovative and smart technologies



Orient blue economy financing towards ecosystem recovery, building resilience, and pollution management.

- Blue economy plan, financing and investment
- Nature-based job programs, including habitat restoration and protection
- Incentives for sustainability and resiliency upgrades (waste mgt and recycling, decarbonization, modernization of fisheries and postharvest facilities, green ports and ships, marine renewable energy, marine biotechnology, etc.)

Improve ocean governance to unlock economic development, spur investments, and improve climate resilience.

- Taking an archipelagic view of overall development planning
- Institutionalizing integrated coastal and ocean management
- Establishing a high-level coordinating mechanism and permanent body at the national level

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Regional organizations dealing with transboundary/LMEs coastal and ocean issues



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Plenary Session I

: Ocean and Coastal Challenges and Priorities in Asia and Pacific Region





Rory Scarrott

University College Cork

Rory Scarrott is a senior postdoctoral researcher in University College Cork's Environmental Research Institue. His research focuses on connecting marine and coastal stakeholders with opportunities in the space sector, satellite-derived data and Europe's growing network of data infrastructures and standards.

Rory is an ecologist at heart, with a doctorate that looked at the structure of oceansurface heterogeneity over space and time for the North Atlantic. From his own experiences, he is keenly aware of the importance of life-long education and capacity building. Through projects such as the Horizon 2020 DOORS, the European Space Agency-funded Blue Economy project, and the E.U. INTERREG-funded KETMaritime project, he engages with a wide range of institutional, business, and social stakeholders, connecting them to problem-solvers and solutions in Europe's technology sectors such as Space and IT. He recognizes the challenges experts and communities face in embracing new technologies and approaches, delivering changefocused policy roadmaps to connect people with technology solutions they can shape and use, and equip them with the skills, training and connections to fully harness them.



MR. MAHESH PRADHAN

Coordinator, UNEP COBSEA

With nearly three decades of experience with the UN Environment Programme, Mr. Mahesh PRADHAN was appointed as COBSEA Coordinator on 1 June 2022 and is currently based in Bangkok, Thailand. COBSEA is an intergovernmental mechanism that brings together nine countries (Cambodia, People's Republic of China, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Singapore and Viet Nam) for the sustainable development and protection of the marine environment and coastal areas of the region. Over 2021-22, Mr Pradhan served as interim COBSEA Coordinator, while concurrently leading UNEP's global efforts on sustainable nutrient management from UNEP HQs in Nairobi, Kenya. COBSEA's current efforts are focused on Marine Litter and Plastics, through implementation of a Regional Action Plan on Marine Litter. In addition, efforts are underway for the implementation of a new Framework on Marine and Coastal Ecosystems, closely aligned to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

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Andiswa Mlisa is Principal Advisor for Business Development at the Pacific Community (SPC) Partnerships, Integration, & Resource Mobilisation Office (PIRMO), and serves as the Lead on Digital Earth Pacific. Andiswa has extensive executive leadership experience associated with the use and promotion of Earth observation, digital data infrastructures, capacity and industry development, strategic partnerships, and business development. Previously, Andiswa was the Acting CEO of the South African National Space Agency (SANSA) after serving as SANSA's Managing Director of the Earth Observation Program and has participated in GEO activities and governance for many years, including establishment and coordination of AfriGEO and Co-Chair of GEO Programme Board.

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Ocean and Coastal Challenges and Priorities in Asia and Pacific Region

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Who am I?

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- 1. Senior post-doctoral researcher based in University College Cork, Ireland.
- 2. Look at how to connect satellite data to marine stakeholders in the Atlantic and Black Sea regions.
- 3. An ecologist by background

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4. Special interest in training and capacity building to support technology uptake

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Who am I?

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Currently I work on:

- European Space Agency funded Blue Economy project, looking at how marine technology innovation clusters can help connect Atlantic stakeholders to satellite data.
- European Commission funded DOORS project, running training and capacity building in the Black Sea region, to connect marine stakeholders to European data opportunities







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This session

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Ocean and Coastal Challenges and Priorities in Asia and Pacific Region.

- Highlight examples where regional efforts to address their ocean and coastal challenges, have been restrained by regional capacities
- Explore where satellite data could help, and what limits people's ability to use it
- An opening discussion



11:30 - 11:35	Welcome from chair	Rory Scarrott (University College Cork)
11:35 - 11:45	Towards Roadmap 2030: Marine Challenges and Priorities for the Asia Pacific region	Mahesh Pradhan (Coordinator, COBSEA)
11:45 - 11:50	GEO Blue Planet Opportunities	Emily Smail (GEO Blue Planet, NOAA, University of Maryland)
11:50 - 11:55	Facing reality – a sense check	You (the audience)
11:30-12:15	Focusing on People: The importance of considering regional socio-economic contexts for technology uptake	Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community)
12:15 - 12:30	Panel and audience deep dive	Mahesh Pradhan (COBSEA) Andiswa Mlisa (The Pacific Community) Suk Jae Kwon (KIOST) Laura David (UP Marine Science Institute) Yegor Volovik (Secretary Director, NOWPAP) You (the audience)



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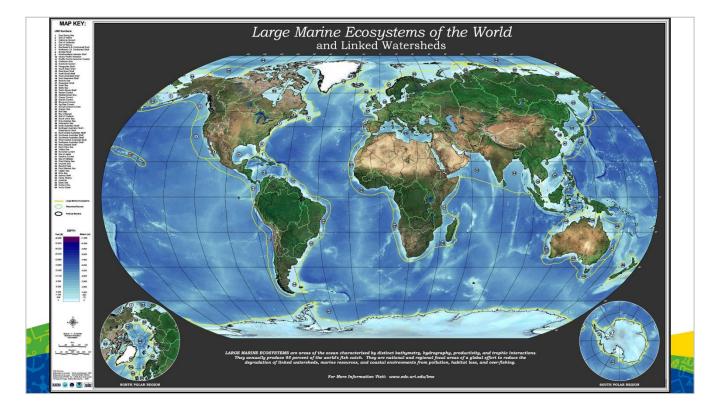
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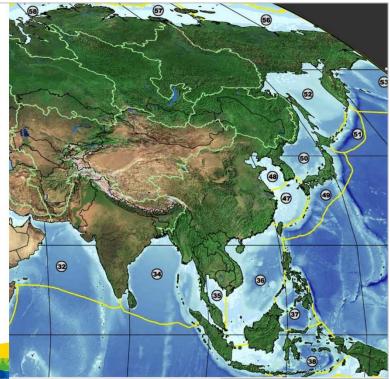






LMEs – Asia Pacific

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- 37 Sulu-Celebes Sea
- 38 Indonesia Sea
- 47 East China Sea
- 48 Yellow Sea



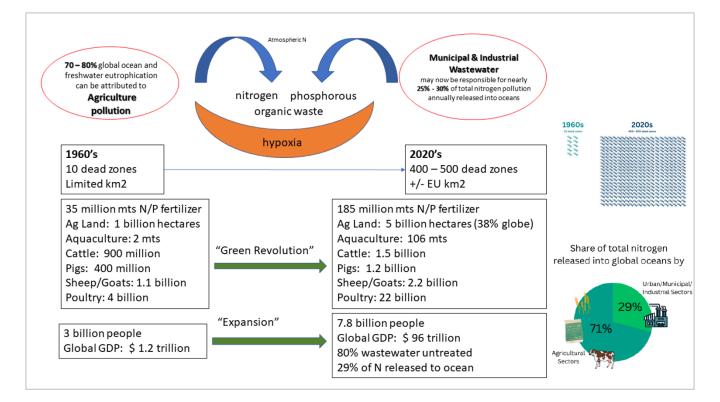


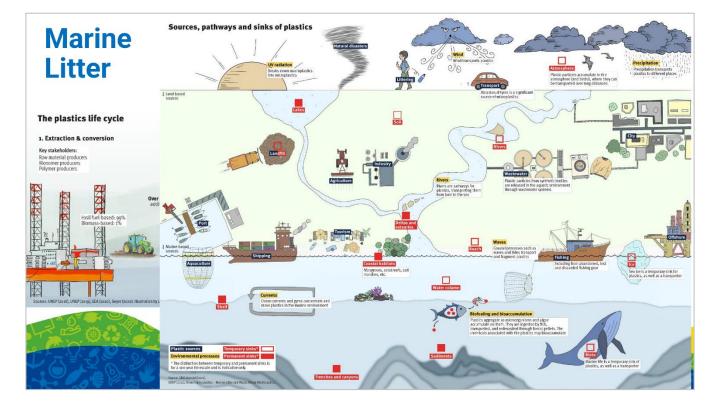
Marine Pollution Kunming-Montreal SUSTAINABLE GOALS Framework 14.1 TARGET 14-1 Plastic Pollution Pollution EDUCE MARIN

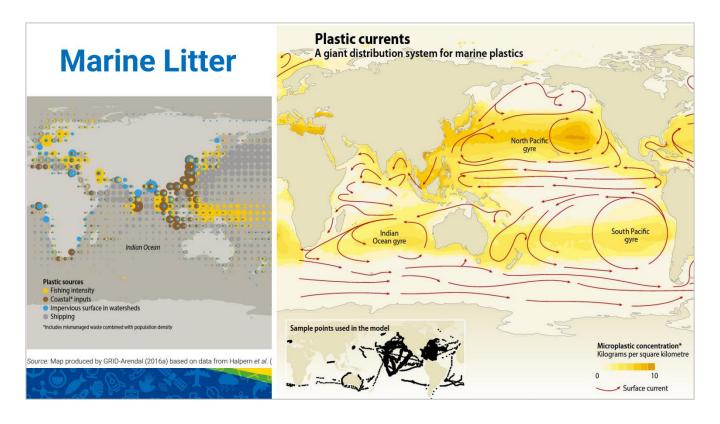
Global Biodiversity

Figure 7.13 Merged nutrient risk categories for LMEs for a) 2000, b) 2030, and c) 2050. Based on merging the nitrogen load and Index of Coastal Eutrophication Potential sub-indicators, the combined risk rated as 'high' to 'highest' for ten LMEs. Most

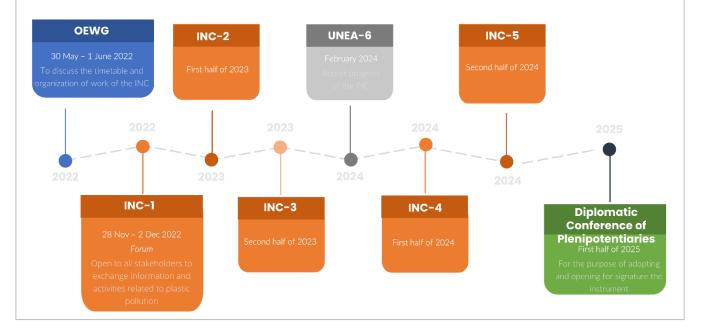
		of these are located in Western Europe, southern and eastern Asia, and the Gulf of Mexico, as would be anticipated from the two sub-indicators. If current trends continue 32 MEs will have increased their risk for europhication by zogo (relative to zooo conditions) due to a combination of increased nitrogen loads and excess N or P relative to silica.	
Coastal pollution is one of the most serious threats to the world's coastal ecosystems	70-80% of global wastewater is discharged untreated into the ocean	a) For 2000	Merged nutrient risk categories Risk categories (number of LMEs) Uovent (27) Low (13) Medium (13) Highest (5) Highest (5) LME NEWS Basins
One of the main threats to coastal waters is the increasing levels of nutrients reaching the ocean from cities and	Globally over 500 dead zones have been identified covering an area roughly the size of the EU		Lowest (27) Low (10) Medium (14) Highest (5) LME NEWS Basins
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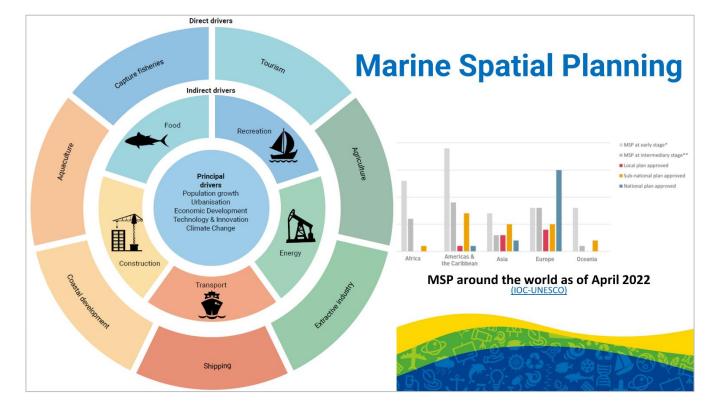




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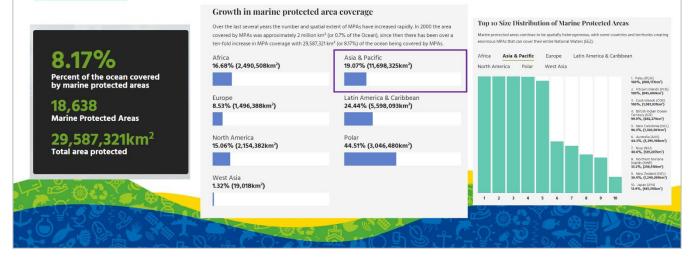




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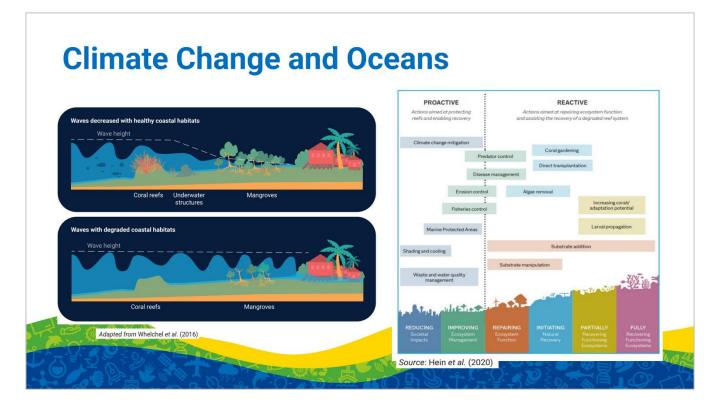
MPAs in the world

(Protected Planet)

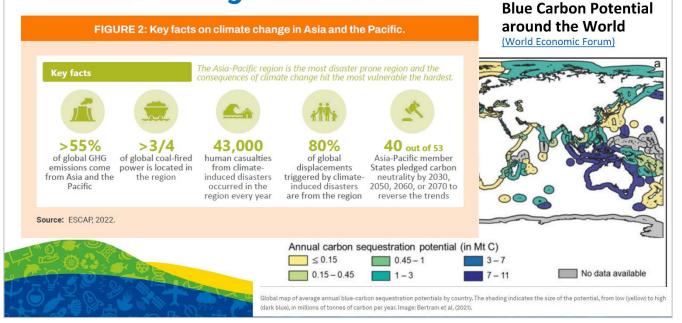


Climate Change and Oceans





Climate Change and Oceans





2030 - halfway there already!

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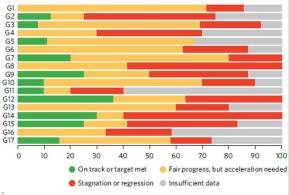


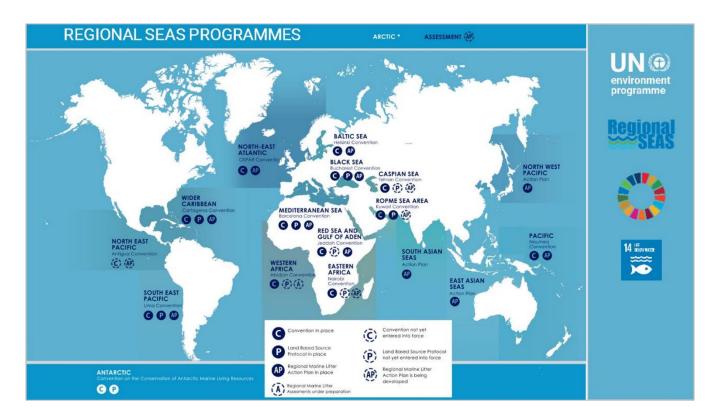




- Life below water
- The ocean is in a state of emergency as increasing eutrophication, acidification, ocean warming and plastic pollution worsen its health. Additionally, the alarming trend of overfishing persists, leading to the depletion of over one third of global fish stocks.
- While there has been some progress in expanding marine protected areas, combating illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, banning fishing subsidies and supporting small-scale fishers, action is not advancing at the speed or scale required to meet Goal 14.
- To counter these trends, swift and coordinated global action is imperative. This entails increasing funding for ocean science, intensifyi conservation efforts, advancing nature- and ecosystem-based solutions, addressing the interconnections and impacts of human-induced pressures, and urgently turning the tide on climate change to safeguard the planet's largest ecosystem.

Progress assessment for the 17 Goals based on assessed targets, 2023 or latest data (percentage)





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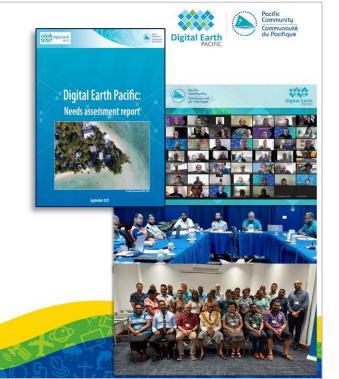


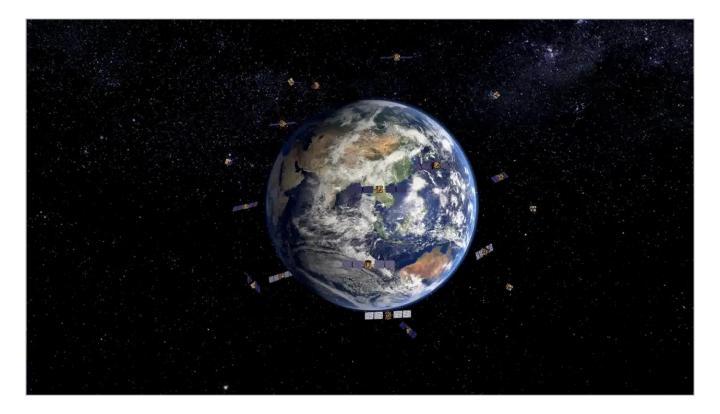


 Countries have expressed a need for better access and capacity for applying Earth observation data to national development priorities and sustainable development.

BLUE PLANET

- Digital Earth Pacific will deliver an operational Earth and ocean observation system that takes decades of satellite data and makes it easier to access and use, empowering decision-makers across the Pacific.
- It will provide a fundamental digital infrastructure that will ensure every nation in the Pacific has access to tools, technologies and capacity to routinely monitor and track challenges from climate change, food insecurity or disaster risk through robust decision-ready products that are updated with every satellite overpass.







Digital Earth – Expanding Globally





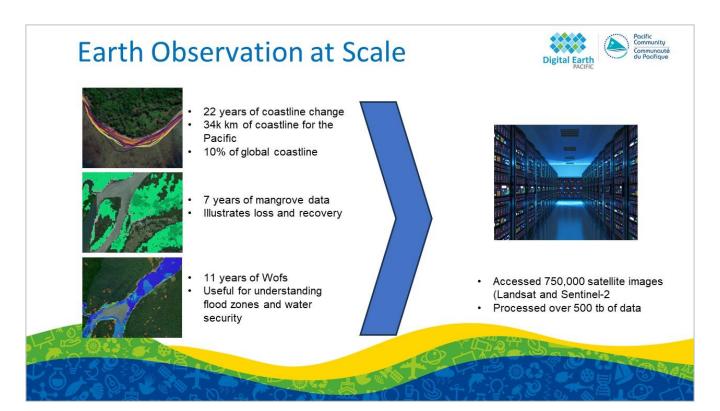


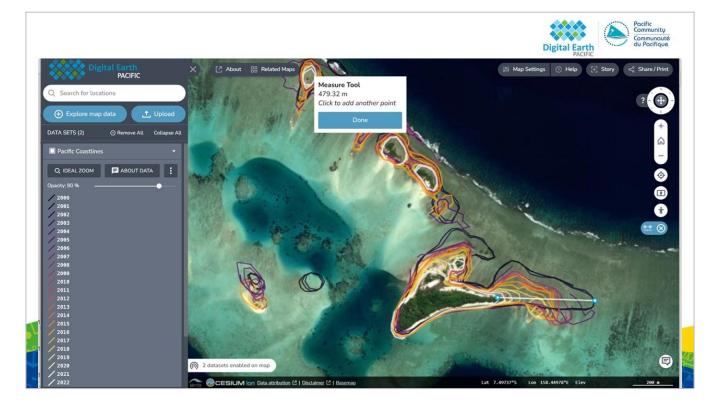
A Regional Public Good





- Free and open data • products and services for every member country
- A digital public infrastructure serving the needs and priorities of Pacific Island **Countries and Territories**

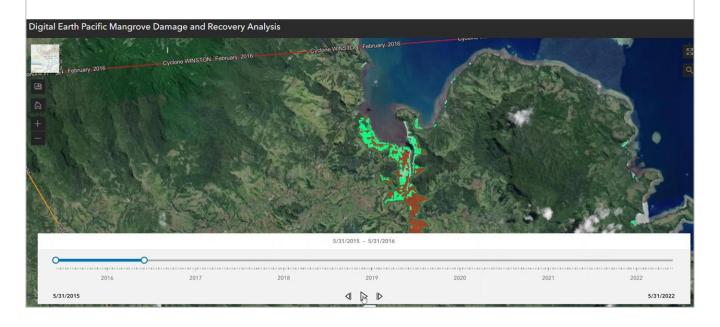




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Plenary Session II

: Digital Solutions for Sustainable Oceans





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Ryo Furue received his PhD in physical oceanography from the University of Tokyo in 1999. He has a wide interest in ocean dynamics. His past and current studies include the global thermohaline circulation, numerical modelling of microscale turbulence, dynamics of equatorial currents, and dynamics of currents around Australia. He worked as a researcher at the University of Tokyo and then at the University of Hawaii before his current workplace, JAMSTEC, Japan.

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David Kim is a former merchant mariner who received his Ph.D. in Marine Police and M.S. in Marine Transportation Information Engineering from Korea Maritime University. He then founded Samwoo Immersion, a marine IT company, which he has been running since then.

Samwoo Immersion is a company that develops and provides on-site problem-solving solutions using VR/XR/Digital Twin technologies. The company focuses on projects that implement location-based information based on GIS technology as a 3D virtual world, i.e., Digital Twin. Samwoo Immersion also actively utilizes VR/XR-based content and solutions for the training of marine and ship-related personnel. In addition, the company established SWXR CAMPUS, the world's first talent development training center, and is continuously building a talent development platform through the XR Eco-Friendly Ship Training Center course.

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Cholyoung Lee holds the position of Director at the Marine Bigdata & A.I. Center at the Korea Institute of Ocean Science and Technology (KIOST). In this role, he conducts research and project planning related to the collection, processing, analysis, and visual representation of spatial bigdata in various fields, including oceanography, fisheries, and shipping. Lately, he has taken on the role of project leader for the 'Building Coast Bigdata Platform and Centers' project, which is supported by the South Korean Ministry of Science and ICT. In this capacity, he manages the data collection, standardization, and operation of a platform for marine-related bigdata produced by 24 institutions and companies, with the aim of making it accessible within the industry. This significant work contributes to the discovery and spread of data-driven innovations in the marine and fisheries sector. He also directly participated in spatial bigdata analysis for zoning during the first phase of the MSP project (2018-2021) and made valuable contributions to standardizing and drafting guidelines for assessing marine spatial characteristics. Besides, he has a keen interest in monitoring and cleaning up marine litter. He's a contributing member of the Our Sea of East Asia Network (OSEAN) and actively participates in related activities, including proposing methods for the selection of nationwide marine litter monitoring sites using GIS technology. Cholyoung Lee pursued his undergraduate studies in the Engineering of Minerals and Resources, specifically Applied Geophysics, at Inha University in Incheon, South Korea. He continued his academic journey by majoring in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for both his master's and doctoral studies at the same university.

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Dr. Leontine Baje

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Dr Leontine Baje has served in the national fisheries administrations of her home country Papua New Guinea for 11 years and the Federated States of Micronesia for 2.5 years prior to joining the Pacific community as a fisheries advisor in 2022. Her current role is focused on supporting Pacific Island countries and territories to discuss, plan and implement the transition of paper-based reporting to electronic reporting and monitoring. Her post graduate studies focused on the biology, ecology and ecological risk assessment of coastal sharks in Papua New Guinea.

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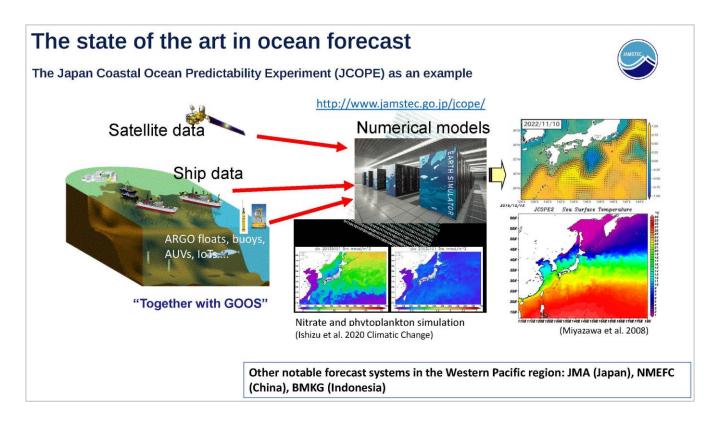
West Pacific and Marginal Seas of South and East Asia (WPMSEA) is an important region in the world

- Fishery: These seas are home to a diverse range of marine life, including important fish stocks that support the livelihoods of millions of people in the region. The fishing industry is a crucial source of food and income.
- Trade and Transportation: These seas serve as major trade routes, connecting the countries of East and Southeast Asia with each other and with the rest of the world.
- > Energy Resources: The WPMSEA are also rich in oil and gas reserves
- Climate variation and change: The WPMSEA are highly vulnerable to the impacts of climate variation and change, including typhoon, extreme events, rising sea levels
- Ocean health: Pollution from various sources, including marine plastics, besides marine heat waves is a major threat to the health of the region's marine ecosystems.
- Economic development and sustainability: Economic development is fast. Research on sustainable development strategies that balance economic growth with environmental protection and social equity is essential for ensuring long-term prosperity and stability of the region.
- Policy: Effective policy is critical for the conservation and sustainable use of the WPMSEA's marine resources. Science based policy frameworks, governance structures, and regulatory mechanisms will help policy decisions.





Recognizing the gaps for developing the regional system Identify gaps in our understanding and develop necessary steps and research directions Identify gaps in observations to improve analyses and simulations/predictions Identify gaps in our operational products for better user experiences Identify gaps in capacity to develop it in the region Identify issues in policies and their implementations for sustainability and economic improvements







Strengthening science for better products and services

Support sustainable developments and ocean literacy:

- Ocean forecast systems have evolved and now provide useful information to various user communities.
 However, still a lot needs to be done to improve our understanding and predictions.
- The WPMSEA regional team will work together with many centers in the region to develop the region's capacity in both cutting-edge science and advanced prediction systems by understanding gaps and co-developing solutions.
- > Improve user experiences through smart and interactive interfaces.
 - Digital twins are envisioned to revolutionize ocean prediction studies and enrich user experiences with sophisticated interfaces. (The scientific community will also be benefited.)

This can be achieved through collaborations even with other research disciplines, for value-added information generation



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New Trends of Reality Tech in Ocean CEO : XR, Digital Twin and Metaverse

David Kim CEO of Samwoo Immersion



Outline

- 1. Company Introduction
- 2. XR Solutions
- 3. Training Center
- 4. Metaverse Platform
- 5. Digital Twin Solutions

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01 About Samwoo Immersion | Company Introduction

David Kim

Samwoo

Virtual Education Training Platform

The Most Advanced in Existence Based on XR Total Solution Metaverse Platform Company

SAMWOOIMMERSION, as a professional developer of XR solutions in the industrial field , has developed/supplied XR technology-based solutions for industrial job training and various education and training fields. We are expanding the XR market with a new paradigm of industrial use of VR and AR technology that was specialized In the existing game industry, and we are providing integrated XR education and training infrastructure and services through a customized metaverse platform.

Major external activities of the CEO



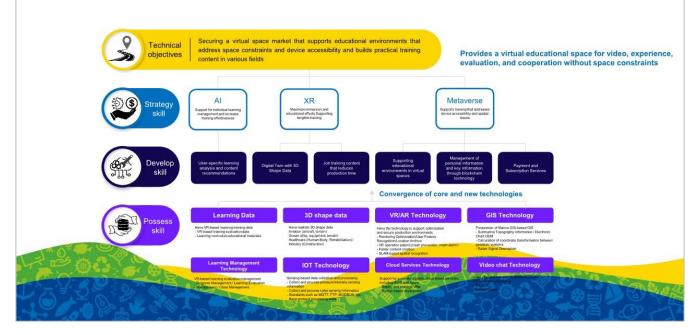




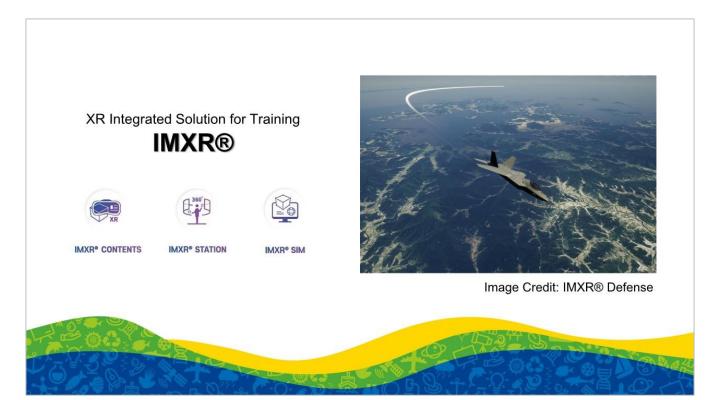
01 About Samwoo Immersion



Technology Roadmap for Implementing an Educational Environment Converging Next Generation Metaverse and XR Technologies







02 IMXR | XR Solutions



Dangerous situation contrast simulation



an inexhaustible situation or experiencing difficult situations



Difficult Attempt

When it's actually implemented an indirect experience of a burdensome situation



High Cost

It's very expensive to build in reality an experience of the situation

Realistic content is used as an educational tool in various fields according to characteristics such as immersion, interaction, and functionalization. It is highly valuable for future education by immersing learners in the learning content and inducing leading and active learning.



02 IMXR | XR Solutions To strengthen the competitiveness of aviation MRO, Due to stricter safety and environmental regulations. Medical education institutions require essential practice, the demand for eco-friendly ships is Increasing, but high cost of training the government also Market expansion, integration with IT technology, Lack of infrastructure often makes it difficult to practice properly. for sailors and requiring long-term training. and large-scale support are planned. Training with XR When training with XR Through XR Address infrastructure shortages Low cost, **Professional technical** short training **Capabilities enhancement** and enable repeat learning

02 IMXR XR Solutions

Have know-how in producing high-quality content and 100 kinds of international standard content in the "specialized job field."



XR Integrated Contents for Training IMXR CONTENTS | Ship

It is a practical education and training content produced based on the educational know-how of experts in various fields such as marine, industrial, aviation, and medical care, which is beyond the limits of general cramming education. Beyond simple educational software, you can experience the industry in virtualized environments and learn the same level of training over and over.



02 IMXR | XR Solutions

XR Integrated Contents for Training IMXR CONTENTS | Safety

It is a practical education and training content produced based on the educational know-how of experts in various fields such as marine, industrial, aviation, and medical care, which is beyond the limits of general cramming education. Beyond simple educational software, you can experience the industry in virtualized environments and learn the same level of training over and over.

Port worker industrial accident

IMXR Industrial Safety VR Content



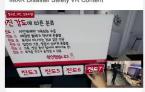
How to deal with this current

IMXR Living Safety VR Content



Natural disasters (Typhoons, earthquakes, water activities)

IMXR Disaster Safety VR Content



Ladder crash

IMXR Industrial Safety VR Content





XR Integrated Contents for Training IMXR CONTENTS | National Defense

It is a practical education and training content produced based on the educational know-how of experts in various fields such as marine, industrial, aviation, and medical care, which is beyond the limits of general cramming education. Beyond simple educational software, you can experience the industry in virtualized environments and learn the same level of training over and over.



02 IMXR | XR Solutions

XR Integrated Contents for Training IMXR CONTENTS | Immersion Experience

It is a practical education and training content produced based on the educational know-how of experts in various fields such as marine, industrial, aviation, and medical care, which is beyond the limits of general cramming education. Beyond simple educational software, you can experience the industry in virtualized environments and learn the same level of training over and over.



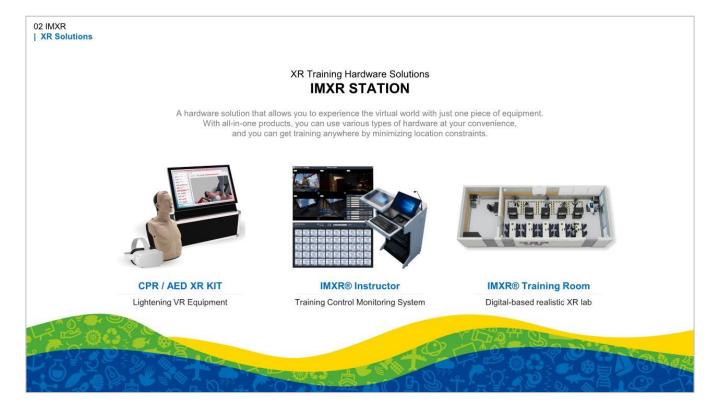
XR Integrated Contents for Training IMXR CONTENTS | Realistic Play Learning

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Digital-based realistic XR lab IMXR Training Room

In the educational environment facing the era of the new normal, we can establish an Edutech education environment based on future innovative information and communication technology with new technologies to provide a smart educational environment necessary for training human resources.



02 IMXR XR Solutions

XR-based Training Simulator

Designed to efficiently experience Samwoo Immersion's XR contents in each field in an optimal environment, IMXR SIM can be implemented identically to actual equipment to increase immersion when performing missions depending on the situation.





03 SWXR CAMPUS

World's First XR-based Job Training & Human Resources Development Center **SWXR CAMPUS**

Based on Samwoo Immersion's XR job training contents, eco-friendly ships, marine, industrial, aviation, medical fields, etc. It is a future vocational training center operated based on the establishment of an XR educational environment and support for technical personnel necessary for various job training and talent training courses.



03 SWXR CAMPUS

World's First XR-based Job Training & Human Resources Development Center SWXR CAMPUS | XR ECO-SHIP Job Training Center

The XR ECO-SHIP Job Training Center will provide actual eco-friendly ships (eco-friendly fuel carriers/eco-friendly fuel ships/eco-friendly fuel bunkering trucks) You can experience and learn all processes related to the operation of eco-friendly ships by using expanded reality-based educational contents.





Realistic representation of various ship structures and devices such as deck, manifold, CCR, CMR, loading arm, and safety equipment.

Realistic modeling when training with XR

Control of various cargo transport devices such as pumps, valves, compressors, N2 generators, etc. using IAS

Control cargo transport equipment with XR



On-site practical training through analysis of key concepts and laws for each task through curriculum development by LNGC practical training experts

Improve professional practice, international legal education through XR training

03 SWXR CAMPUS

World's First XR-based Job Training & Human Resources Development Center SWXR CAMPUS I SWXR CLASS

It is an XR-based next-generation education system and experience center that enables safety and job experience and play learning for children and teenagers. You can experience a wide range of fields that are difficult to access in one space, and you can expect a natural learning effect through experience.







04 Beyond Link | Metaverse Platform

> 'Evolution of Schools' Metaverse Campus Metaverse Virtual Campus, Polytech University

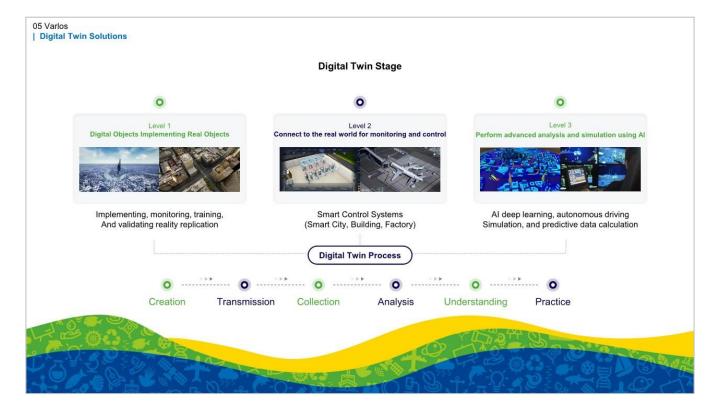


04 Beyond Link | Metaverse Platform

> 'Future-style Group Training' Metaverse Group Training Group training that is not limited by time and place | Metaverse Group Training



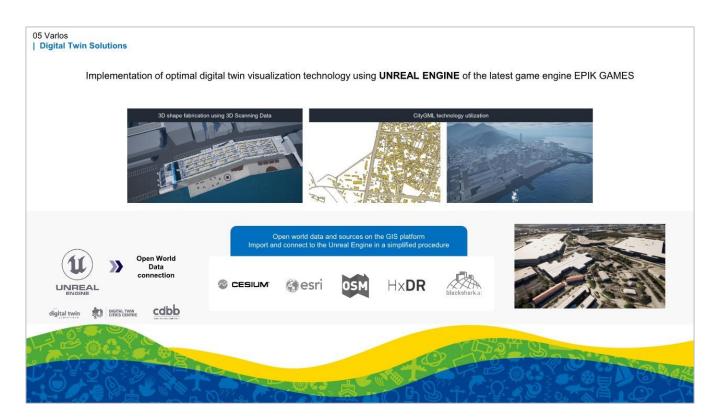


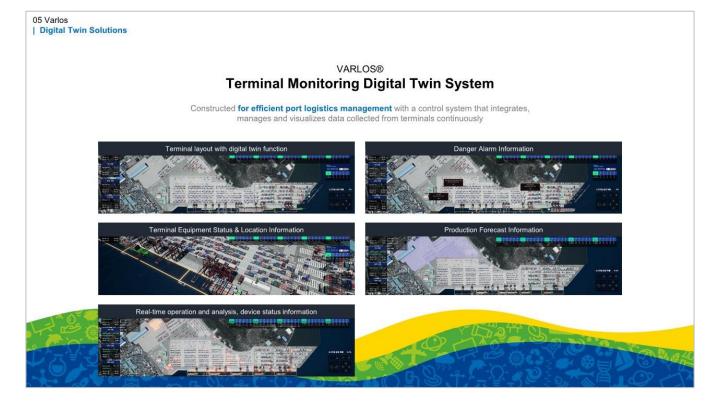












VARLOS® Building Control Monitoring Digital Twin System

It is a **DT-based integrated control and monitoring system for pest control in the Jagalchi market.** It provides integrated data management for existing legacy equipment, visualization of specialized information through various sensors, detection of emergency situations, equipment blocking, and evacuation support functions.





VARLOS®

Smart Construction Technology Marine Construction Safety Monitoring Digital Twin System

A solution for **preventing safety accidents (collision accidents)** between ships by integrating and managing transit ships and working ships in the target area using location information



A safe information system has been established by adding augmented reality (AR) technology to the marine construction safety monitoring system to check ship information in real time and establish a route for safety work during work.

It is an AI-based ship collision prevention system (AI-MASTER) that can recognize and judge collisions between fishing boats and coastal small ships based on AI with ship collision detection and avoidance algorithms.



Using deep learning and camera calibration, the recognition of ships passing through CCTV images and It is designed to classify and represent AIS-based adenoma.



05 Varlos | Digital Twin Solutions

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05 Varlos | Digital Twin Solutions

VARLOS® Shipyard Operation Monitoring Digital Twin System

It is a solution to synchronize 3D image overlap information and 2D block layout information by utilizing location data of dried blocks in the shipyard. Enables better real-time visualization by linking systems with different types of data, including physical objects, processes, relationships, and behaviors, Provides advanced analytics and automation for future predictions, **enabling information sharing and collaboration**.

Based on the CCTV attached to the Goliath crane, it has the advantage of optimally using shipyard resources by making the current status of work in the pier a real-time DB.



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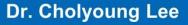


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Coast Big-Data Platform:

Discovering New Marine Industries w/ Bigdata



¹Director of Marine Bigdata & A.I. Center, Korea Institute of Ocean Science and Technology (KIOST)

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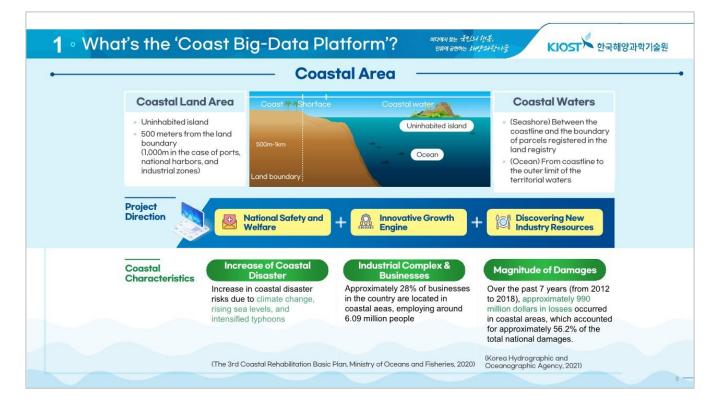
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- 2. Strategies to Promote the Use of Bigdata
- 3. Innovation Services in the CBP
- 4. Future Plans for Self-Sustainability

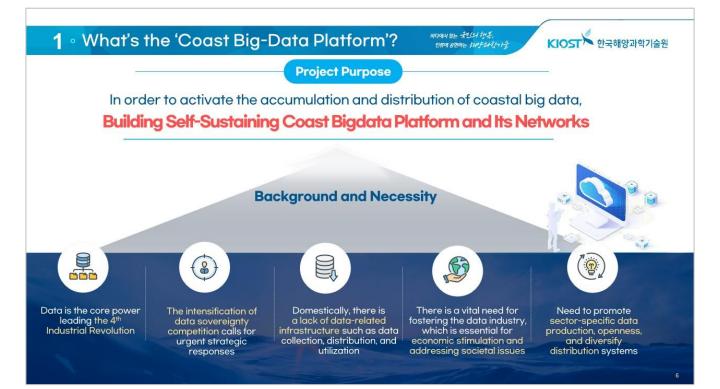
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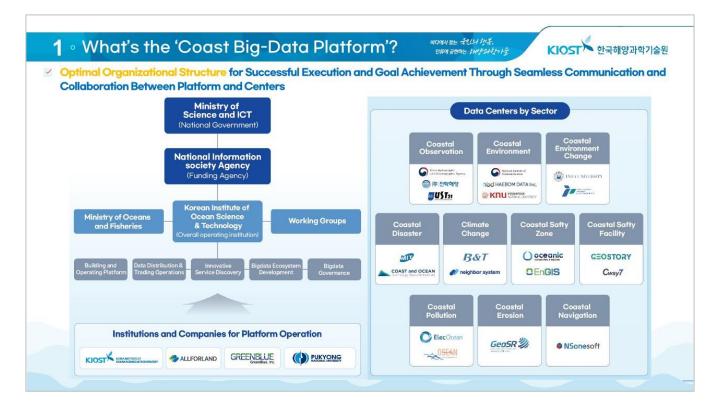


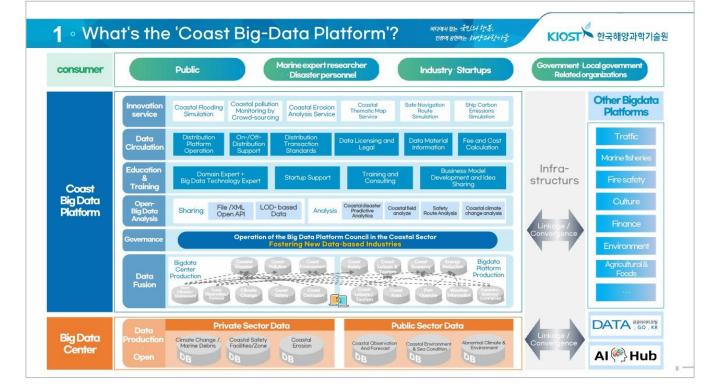
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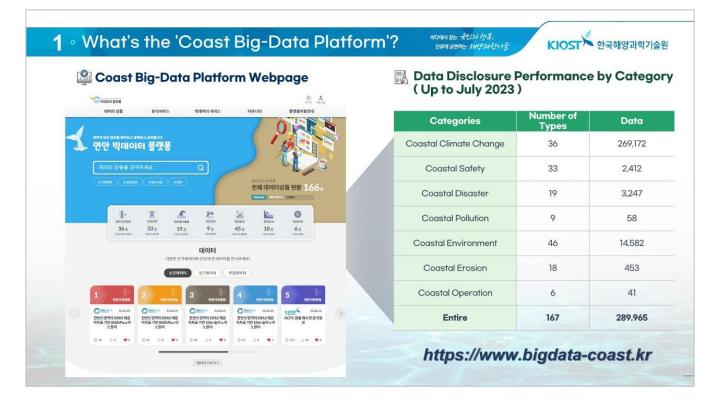












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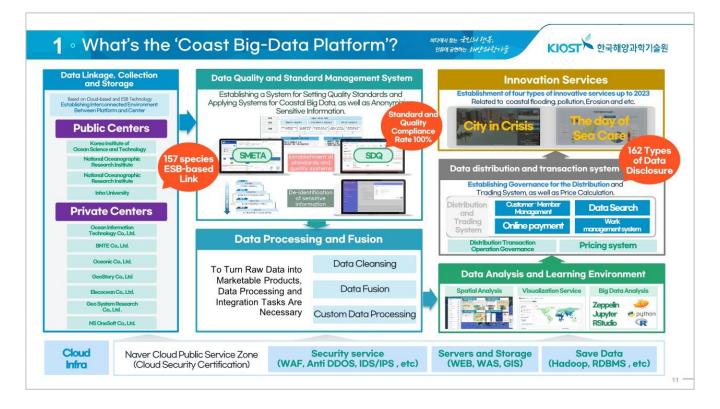
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	NIFS	14	8	14
	Inha University	10	10	10
	Marine Information Technology	7	n	10
	BNT	10	10	10
	Oceanic	9	14	19
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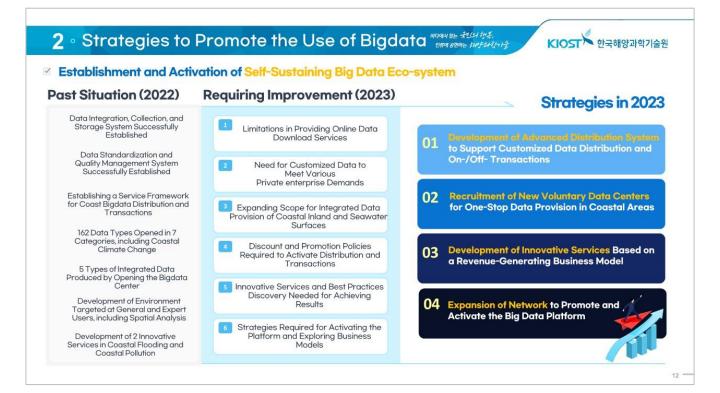
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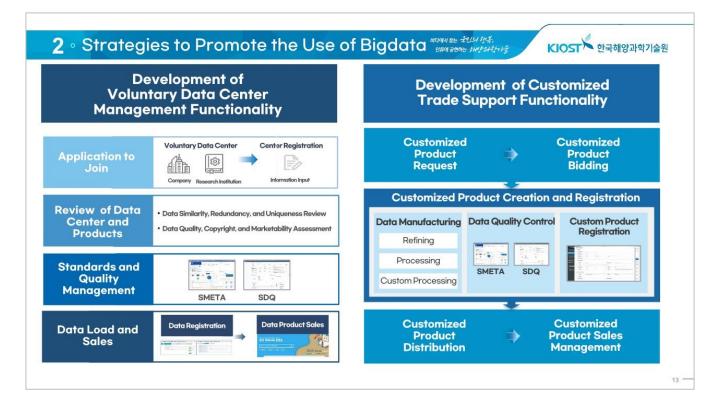
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Number of New Data Produced (types)	162	100%
Volume of New Data Produced (GB)	961	100%
Total number of products	274	
	Types	
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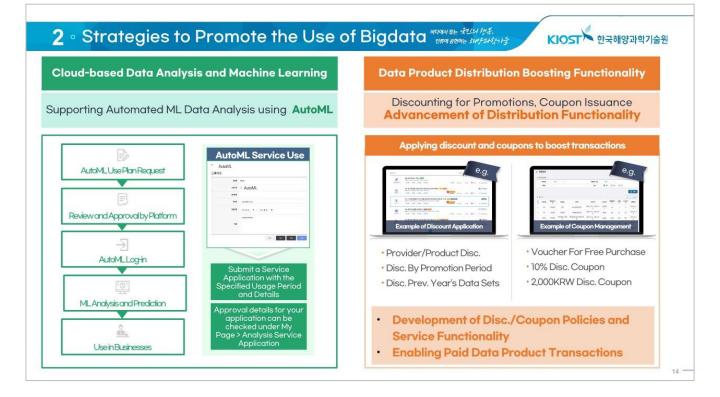
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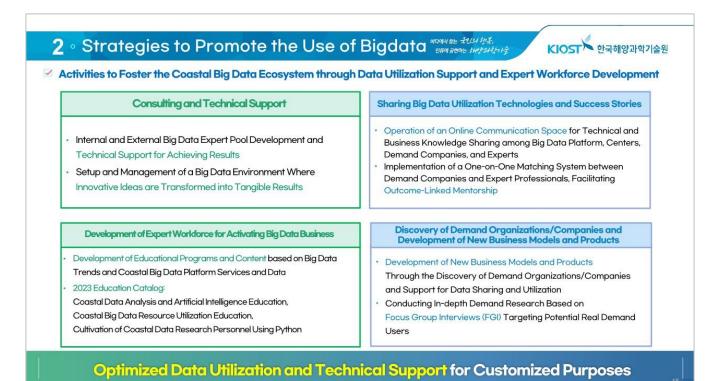
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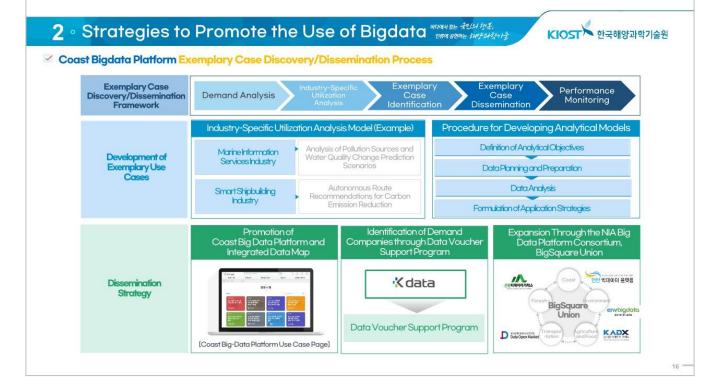






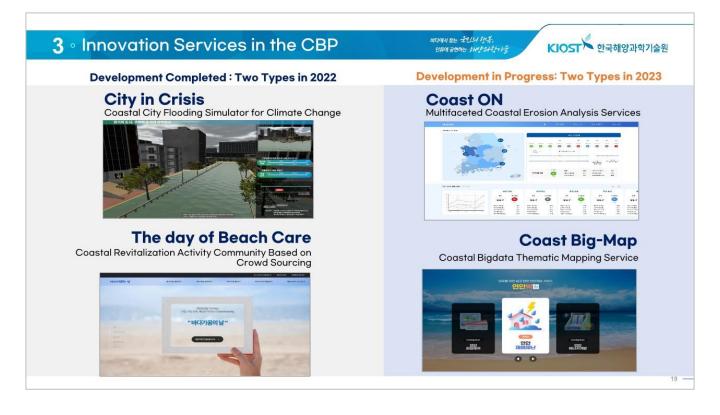


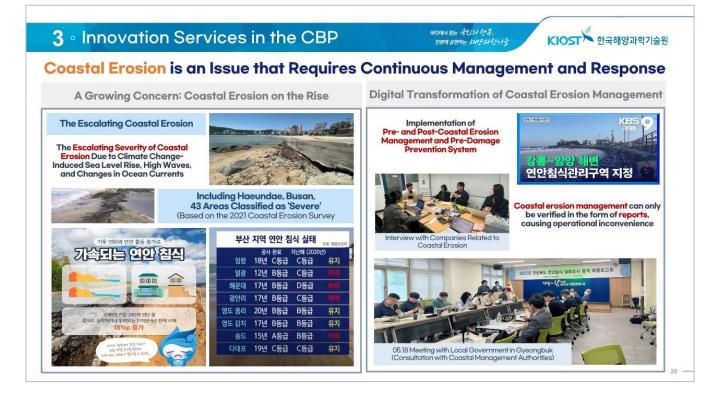












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Insights from Coastal Management Officials Responsible for Coastal Erosion Task



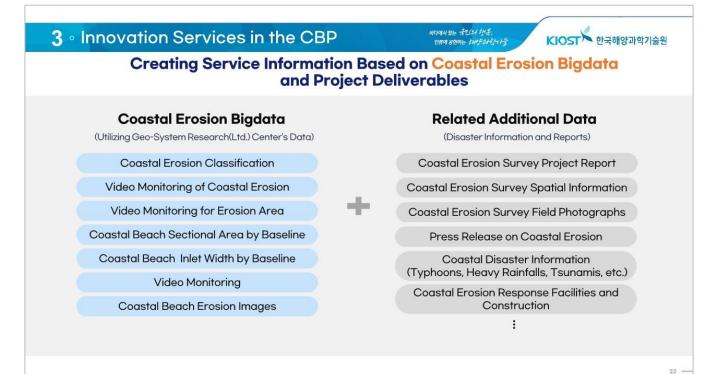
"The current management is solely **report-based**, which makes it time-consuming to retrieve past reports when issues arise. I'd also like to have access to information on factors affecting coastal erosion, such as **typhoons and storms**."

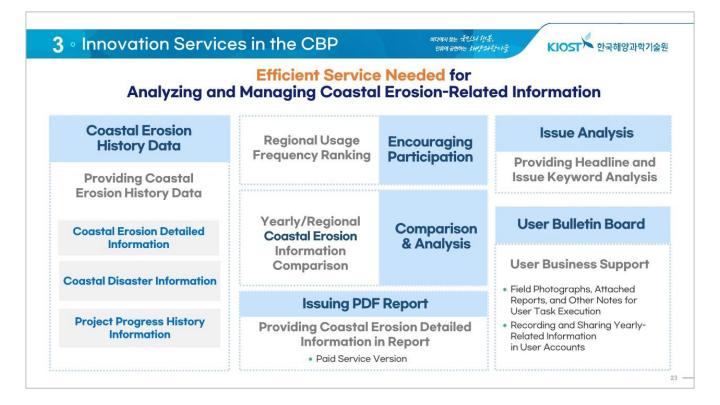


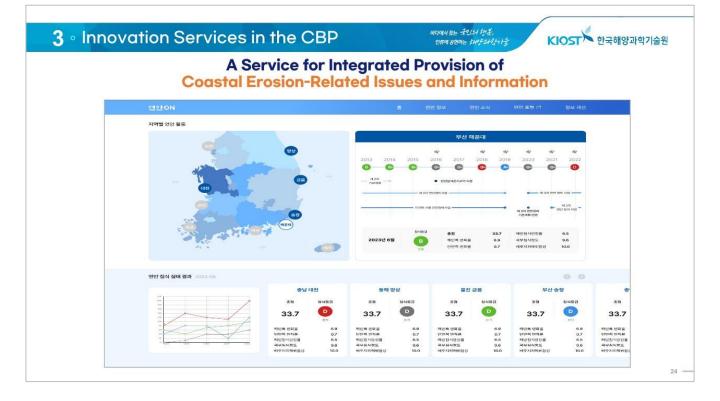
"I'd like to **check erosion-related complaints immediately** and **record information or opinions** about related issues."

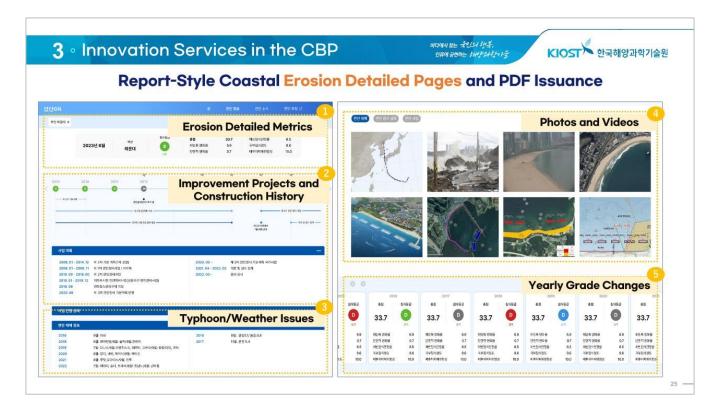


"The **handover process encounters problems** every time there's a change in the responsible party."





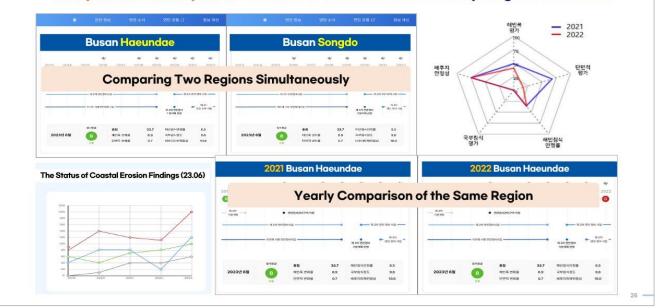


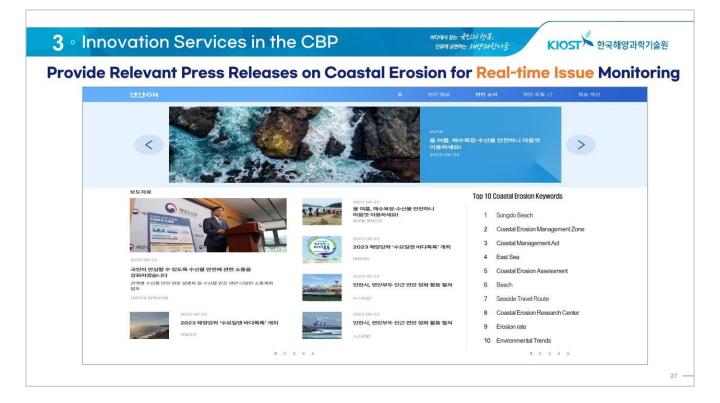


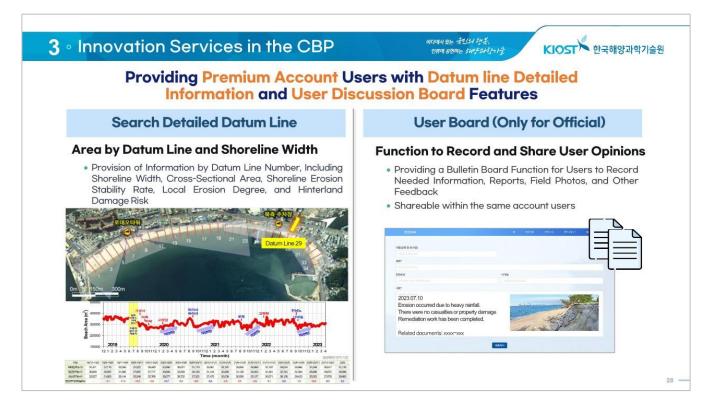
Comparative Analysis of Coastal Erosion Information by Region and Year

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Key Function of Coast ON Service by Pricing Tier

CoastON

1. Search Coastal Erosion History

 Check annual coastal erosion grade changes, history information, weather and disaster information

2. Provide Detailed Page Report (Temporary)

- View detailed page REPORT
- Provide detailed page REPORT PDF (Basic issuance cost incurred per case)

3. Compare Region & Year Information (Temporary)

- Selecting Two Regions for Information Comparison
- Comparing Information for Two Different Years in the Same Region

CoastON Premium

1. Search Coastal Erosion History

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• Search into Annual Changes in Coastal Erosion Ratings, Historical Information, Weather, and Disaster Data

2. Provide Detailed Page REPORT (Unlimited)

- View detailed page REPORT
- Provide detailed page REPORT PDF (Unlimited)

3. Compare Region & Year Information

- Selecting Two Regions for Information Comparison
- Comparing Information for Two Different Years in the Same Region

4. Search Datum Line- Specific

 Search Datum Line-Specific Details by Category: Shoreline Width, Cross-Sectional Area, Erosion Stability Rate, Erosion Degree, etc.

5. User Board

Recording and Sharing through User Board

3 • Innovation Services in the CBP

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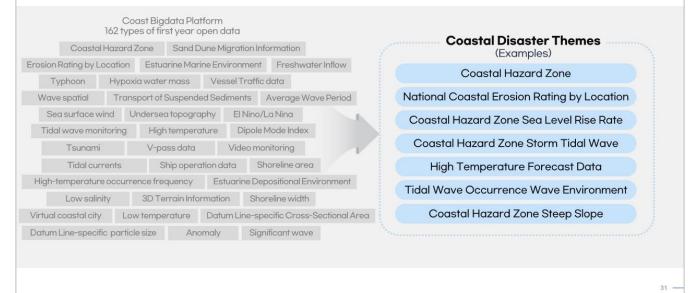
Data Provision Remains Supplier-Centric, but Purposes have Diversified,



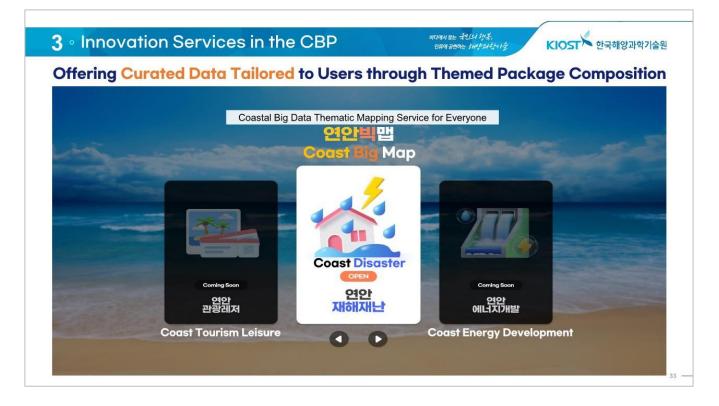
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Selecting Data Suitable for Coastal Disaster Themes and Assembling into Package

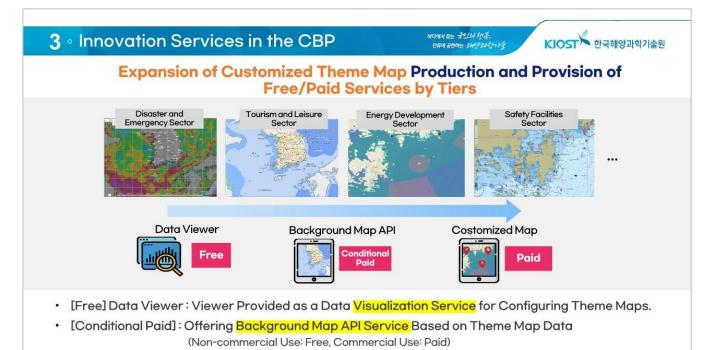


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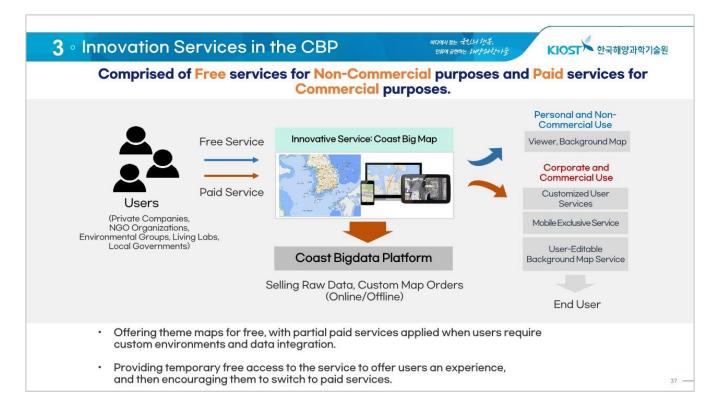


[Paid] Customized User Maps: Support for Creating Customized User Maps by Combining User Data.



- Service provided through organization-specific account issuance, with an annual subscription fee of 3 million won per account (example).
- Expanding nationwide services targeting 74 coastal management local governments to increase revenue. 283 coastal business zones in 11 metropolitan cities and provinces nationwide (coastal conservation and eco-friendly coastal projects).
- Upon request, building a database using local government data and developing additional support functions (separately costed).

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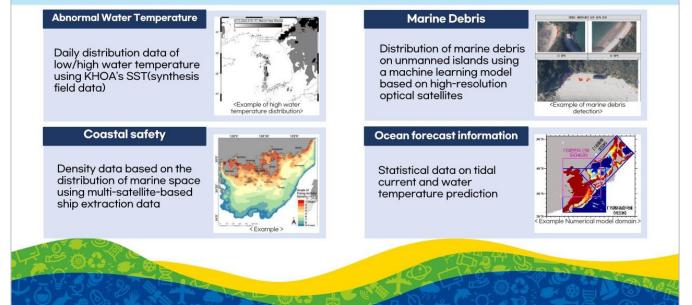
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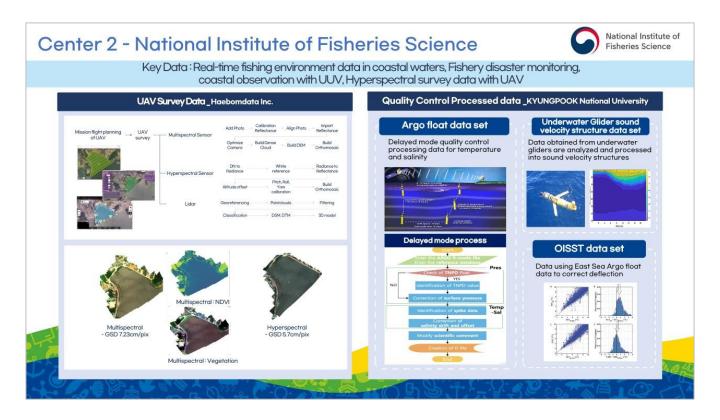


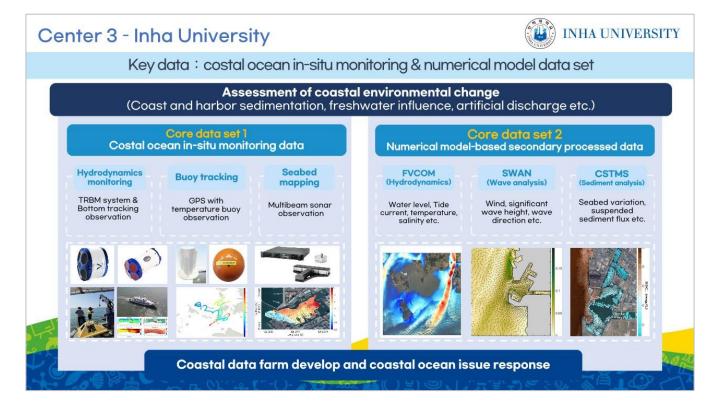
Center 1 - Korea Hydrographic and Oceanographic Agency



KEY Data: Oceanographic observation · Ocean forecast and research · GOCI-II







Center 4 - Marine Information Technology Corp						
 Organization Name : (Lead Organ.) Marine Information Technology Corp (Participating Organ.) Coast and Ocean Technology Research Institute Center Introduction: Big Data Analysis and Information Provision for Coast Risk Assessment Key Data : Tsunami, Surge, Ocean Wind, Wave, Overtopping, Typhoon 						
Key Business Areas	Roles of Each Implementing Organ					
 Numerical modeling of ocean currents, sediment transport, Suspended Sediment Dispersion, and seawater exchange rates. Numerical modeling of wave transformation and tranquility. Modeling and coastal structural risk assessment for storm surges and tsunami events. Evaluation of marine renewable energy and assessment of 	 Building of Sea Surface Wind and Sea Level Data Building of Tsunami and Surge Data Building of Counterprint Building of Wave observation Data Building of Wave 					

- · Evaluation of marine renewable energy and assessment of power plant recycling.
- Development of ocean prediction systems, coastal disaster prevention systems, and marine artificial intelligence models.
- Development of image data analysis technologies, marine big . data analysis, artificial intelligence learning data, and software development.

Environmental Analysis Data

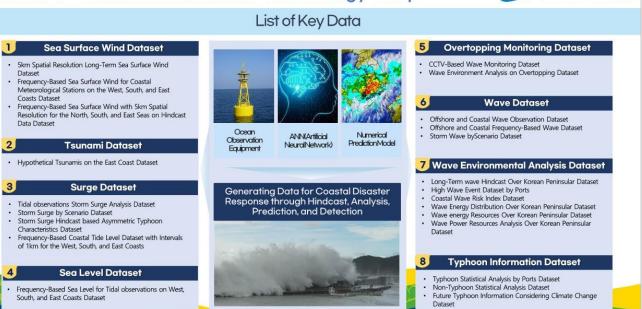
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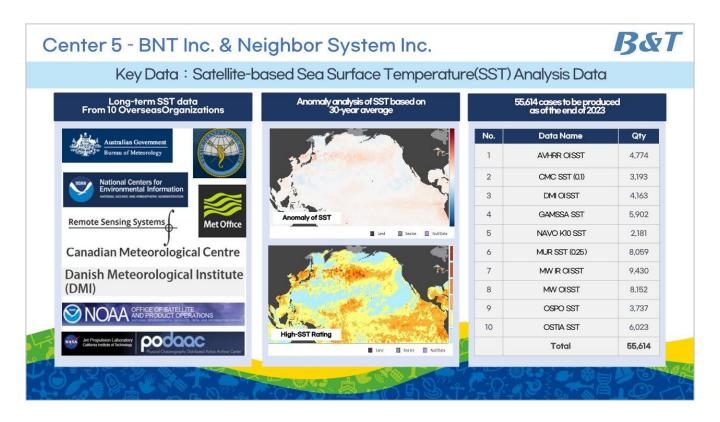
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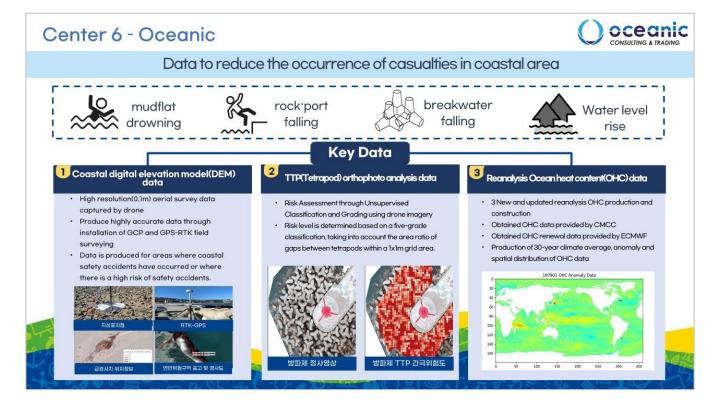
Information Data

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- · Building of Wave and Wave Environmental Analysis Data
- Building of Typhoon Information Data

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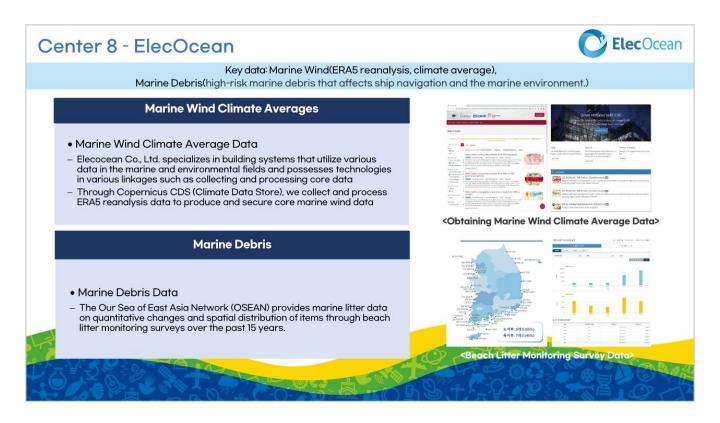






GEOSTORY Center 7 - GeoStory Key Data : Coastal Erosion Monitoring using LIDAR, Underwater Facilities 3 types of Mooring facilities Dataset 6 types of coastal erosion Dataset Survey are conducted on 6 places with D grade **Berth facility** coastal erosion (2times) Survey using LIDAR and process the data (*.txt) Installation of mooring facilities due to the shallow Supporting coastal erosion policies and research depth of water causing a lot of stranding Providing shortest-distance mooring facilities Use it as data for various institutions Equipped with ship GPS plotter and fishing application

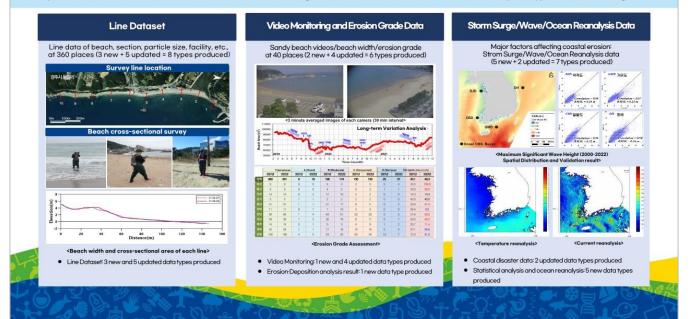


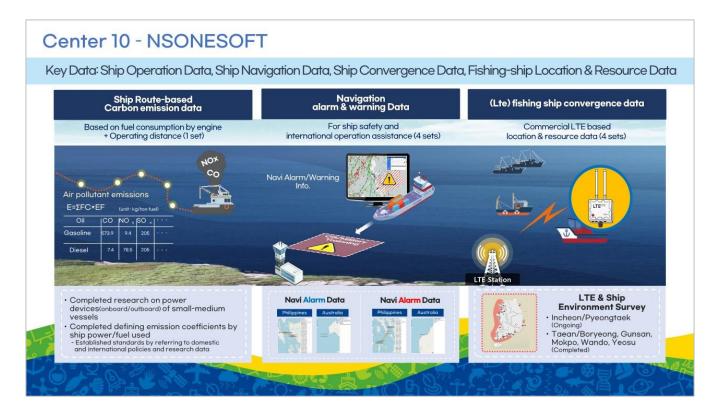


Center 9 - GeoSystem Research

Key Data: Coastal erosion (beach area, sediments, erosion grade, etc.), Ocean (circulation, wave) reanalysis, Typhoon/Strom surge data

GeoSR 2





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The development of Electronic Monitoring in the western and central Pacific

Leontine Baje and Malo Hosken

Fisheries Ecosystems Monitoring and Analysis Oceanic Fisheries Program Pacific Community

Outline

- What data is needed
- What is electronic monitoring
- Why electronic monitoring is important
- Progress and outcome of trials
- Advantages and challenges
- Progress towards implementation
- Summary

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Managing tuna fisheries in the WCPO. What we need to know.

Primary information

- Species / catch totals
- Catch and vessel position
- Vessel activity
- Length of fish
- Biological samples
- Verify that fishing was done according to regulations

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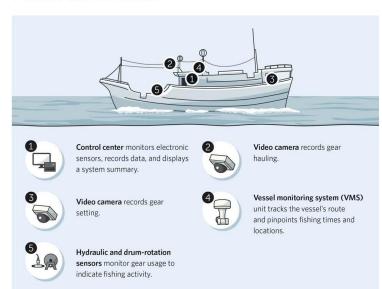
- Vessel's logsheet
- Vessel Monitoring systems
- Fisheries Observer
- Unloading data
 - Transhipment monitoring
 - Independent research

The Pacific Community's role – regional scientific service provider supporting national fisheries administrations of Pacific Island countries and territories.

Electronic monitoring (EM) is the use of equipment such as cameras, sensors on a vessel to record video footage of fishing activities to be reviewed by EM analysts.



Figure 1 Electronic Monitoring Uses Technology To Collect Timely and Verifiable Catch Information



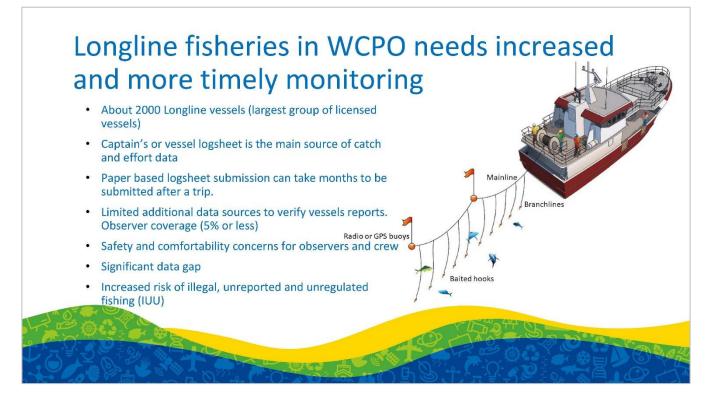
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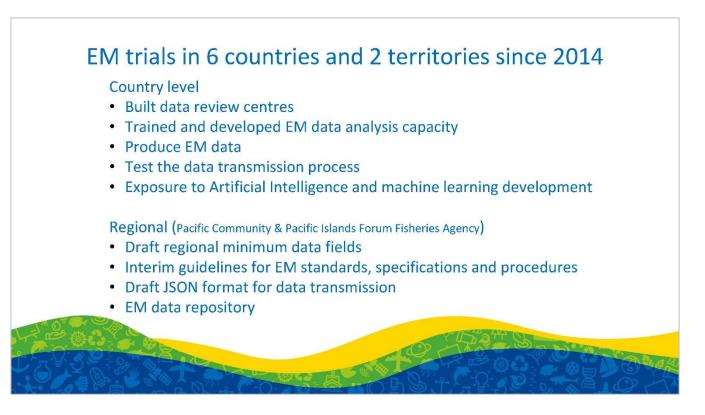


Source: https://fisheries.groupcls.com/sustainablefisheries-administrations/electronic-monitoring-systems/



Source: https://fisheriesem.com/





ADVANTAGES

- Greater species composition
- Better reporting of species of special interest (notably sharks and rays)
- Ability to review species identification
- Provides data for verification and validation
- Timely and high precision catch data
- Improves stock assessments and fisheries management
- Addresses longstanding data gap
- Supports ecosystem and climate change modelling
- Supports sustainability certification for industry
- Allows participation of women

CHALLENGES

- Initial cost and resource is high
- Sustainable funding post trials
- Industry cooperation
- Poor footage due to weathering
- Extensive review time for long trips
- EM cannot collect all observer data fields
- Data quality to be improved
- Crew privacy
- Implementing EM in the high seas

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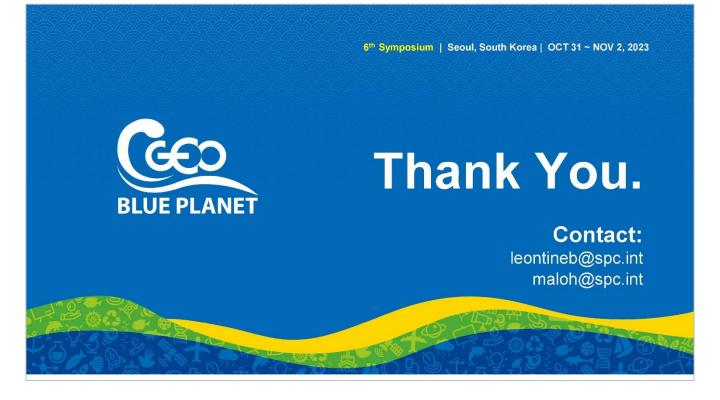
Progressing forward

- Continue trials exploring service providers, develop national objectives for EM, infrastructure, policies and regulations etc
- Progress collective agreement on regional standards and processes
- Strengthen industry engagement



View from EM camera on a vessel docked in Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia. Photo Credit: Dan Gilmete – FSM NORMA

Implementing E-monitoring in WCPO bogline fisheries Compliments existing data collection processes (logsheets, obsever data, unloading's data) and addresses a significant data gap. Leads to timely data for stock assessments and other regional and national assessments such as for climate change modelling. Strengthens food security, livelihoods, and long-term economic gains.



Plenary session III

: Introduction to K-MSP





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With 18 years of experience in the marine environment and numerical modeling analysis, he plays a crucial role in generating essential data for natural disaster response and in formulating marine spatial management policies, drawing from coastal information and climate change data.

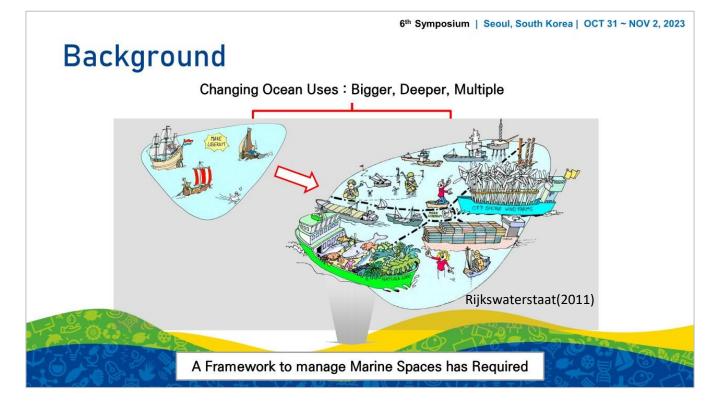
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Marine Spatial Planning of RO Korea

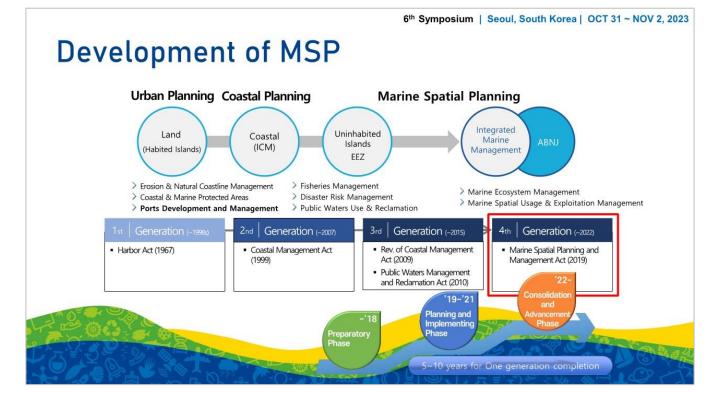


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Types and Objectives of MSPs

Type of planning	Key objective	Types of planning documents		
Information-based planning	The principal objective of this type of MSP is to identify marine resources (including their mapping), and to assess their robustness(sensitivity analysis) along with associated pressures and demands. Conflict analysis is also part of the objectives, as well as risk analysis (planning actions in the event of threats).	 Studies Spatial analyses Reports Conflicts matrixes Risk maps 		
Strategic and vision- based (indicative) planning	The principal objective is to inspire other actors that are shaping spatial development through their actions. Spatial planning has no or insufficient authority over these actors and is therefore unable to enforce desirable actions	 Pilot plans Scenarios Visions, Strategies Other policy-related documents of the indicative character 		
Regulatory planning	Planners have causative power resulting from legal regulations or economic instruments and can enforce desirable actions. The plan is a means of implementing publicly agreed objectives and priorities - for example, in relation to using marine resources, environmental protection or limiting conflicts.	 Plans in the character of a local law Other binding documents of this type 		
(Zaucha , 2018)				

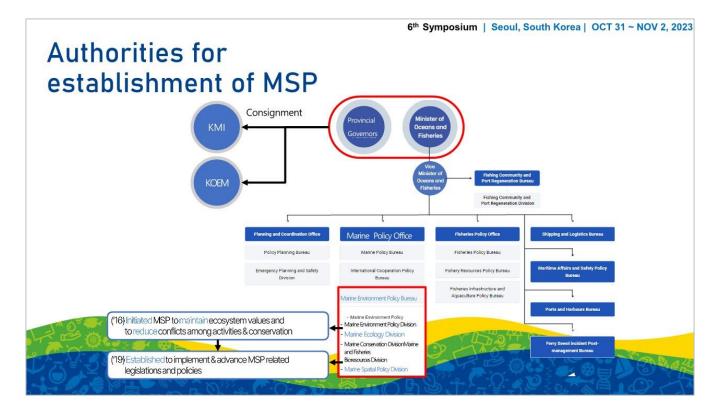




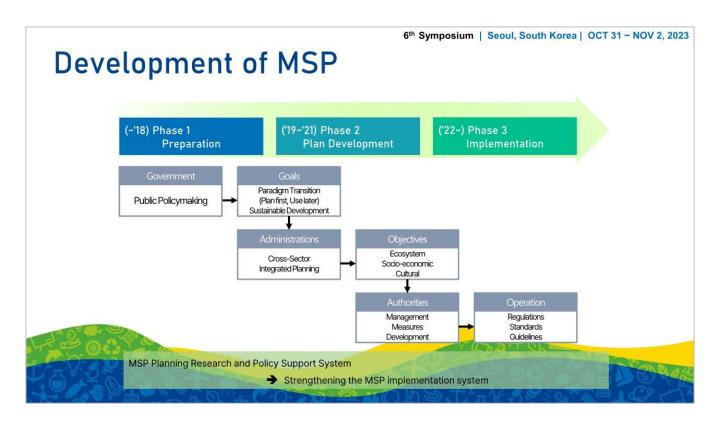






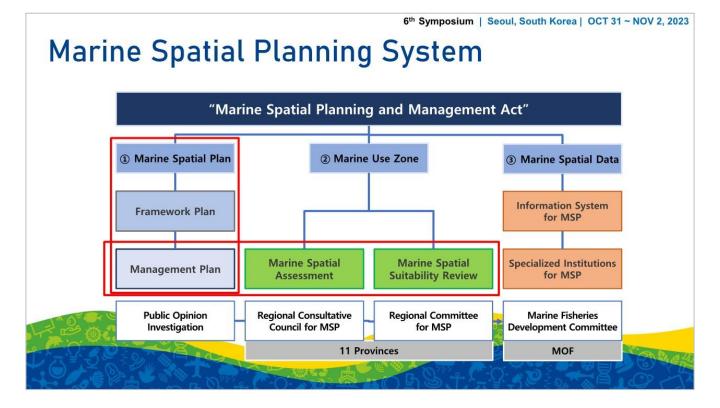




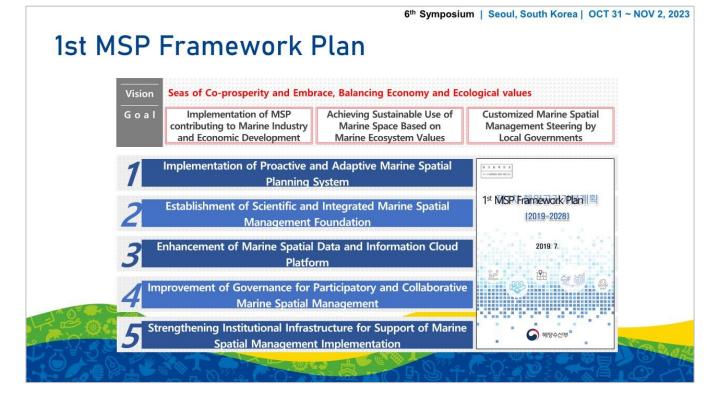


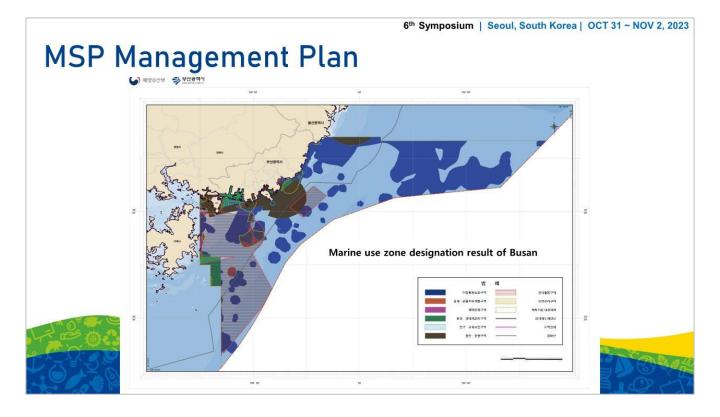










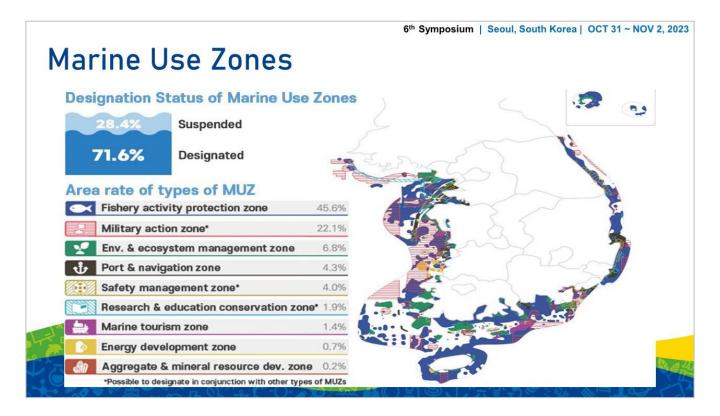


Marine Use Zones

Types of Marine Use Zone in the Marine Spatial Planning and Management Act of Korea

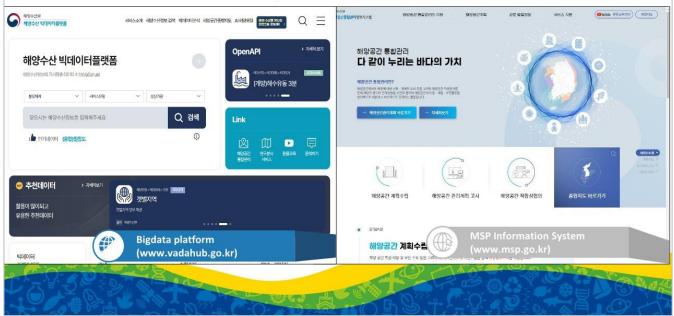
Marine Use Zone	Definition
ishery activity protection	Sea area necessary for the protection and promotion of fishery activities, such as licensed fishery and permitted fishery, and for the sustainable production of fishery products
Aggregate and mineral resource development	Sea area necessary for the efficient and stable supply of aggregate and mineral resources from the sea
Energy development	Sea area necessary to develop and produce marine energy
Marine tourism	Sea area requiring maintenance and development of marine tourism functions
Environment and ecosystem management	Sea area requiring the conservation and management of the marine environment, ecosystem and landscape
Research and education conservation	Sea area necessary for marine fisheries research and education activities
Port and navigation	Sea area necessary for maintaining port functions, safe operation of ships, etc.
Military action	Sea area necessary to protect national defense and military activities
Safety management	Sea area necessary to protect marine installations and for marine safety

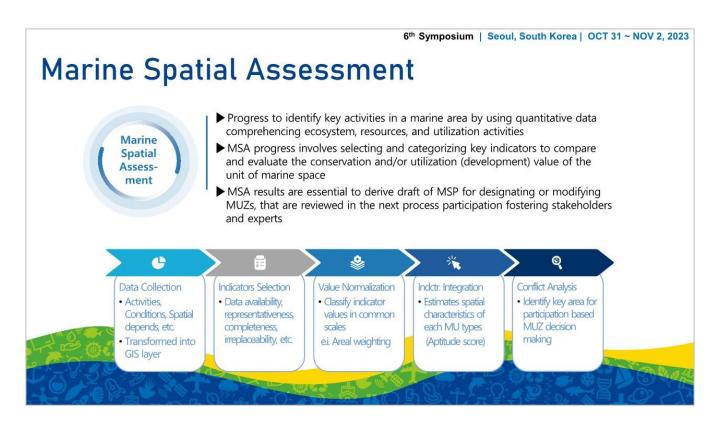
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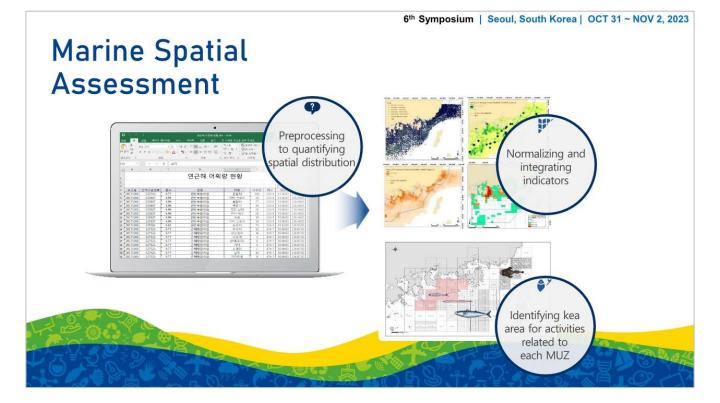




MSP Information system



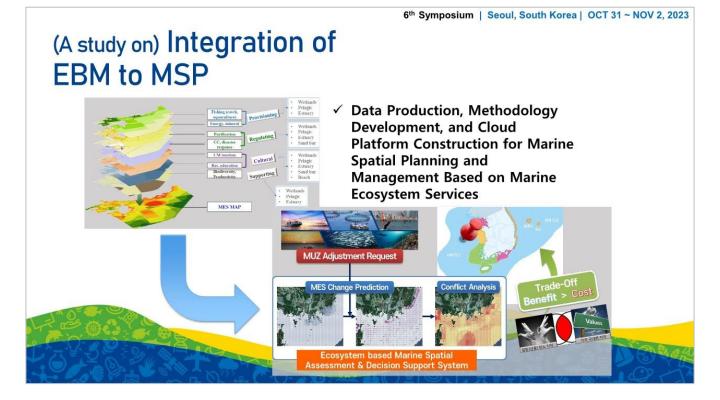






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List of ongoing MSP related studies in RO Korea

		Goals
Enhancement of MSP Framework Plan	Korea Maritime Institute	Strengthening Premeditated Utilization of Marine Spaces through Strengthening the Effectiveness of MSP
MSP Management Plan Amendment	Korea Marine Environment Management Corporation	Establishment of Institutional System to Support MUZ based Local Government-Led MSP and Management
Marine Jurisdictional Zonation System	Korea Maritime Institute	Exploration of Maritime Jurisdictional Boundaries and Investigation of Marine Cadastre Adoptation Strategies
Marine Spatial Monitoring	Korea Marine Environment Management Corporation	Development of Spatial Data, Statistics, and Metrics for Efficient Ocean Spatial Management
Government-led OWF Suitable Site Exploration	Korea Electric Power Research Institute	Identification of Suitable OWF Sites Considering economic feasibility, Environmental Sustainability, and Social Acceptance based on Data and Stakeholder Engagement
Construction of Digital OWF Location Information Map	Korea Marine Environment Management Corporation	Development of OWF Location Information Map and OWF Feasibility Evaluation Assessment Guidelines
Assessment for Marine Ecology and Usage in National Parks	Geosystem Research	Proposal of Specific Management Plans for Offshore and Coastal National Parks through Spatial Ecological and Utilization Data Analysis





Thank you for listening





Marine Spatial Assessment Procedure and Improvement

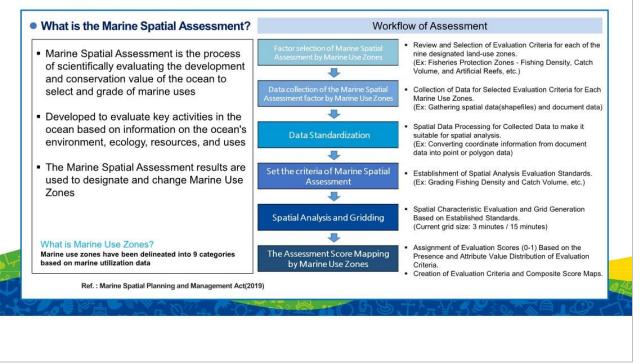
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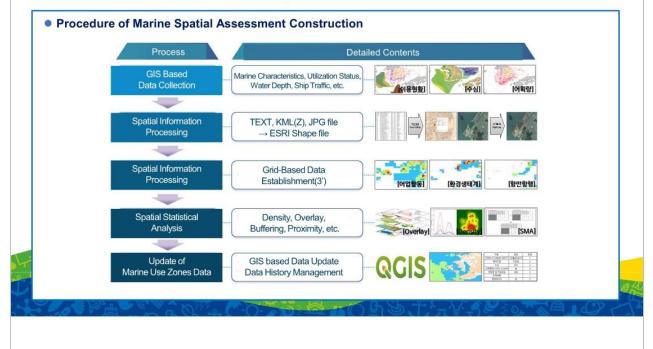
Outline

- 1. Background
- 2. Marine Use Data Collection and Spatial Information
- 3. Marine Spatial Assessment Procedure
- 4. Marine Spatial Assessment Results
- 5. Marine Spatial Assessment Improvement
- 6. Concluding Remarks

Background



Data Collection and Spatial Information



Data Collection and Spatial Information

Marine Spatial Assessment Data collection

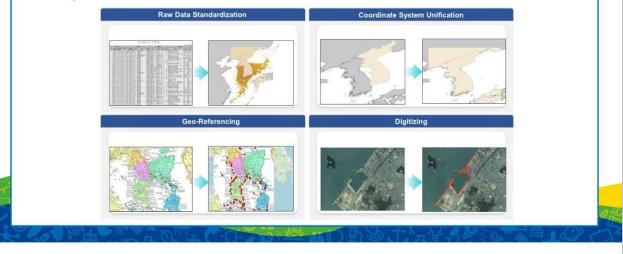
Basic data is collected through various channels such as the Electronic Gazette of the Republic of Korea, Public Data Portal, Korea
 Ocean data Market Center and National Territory Information Platform

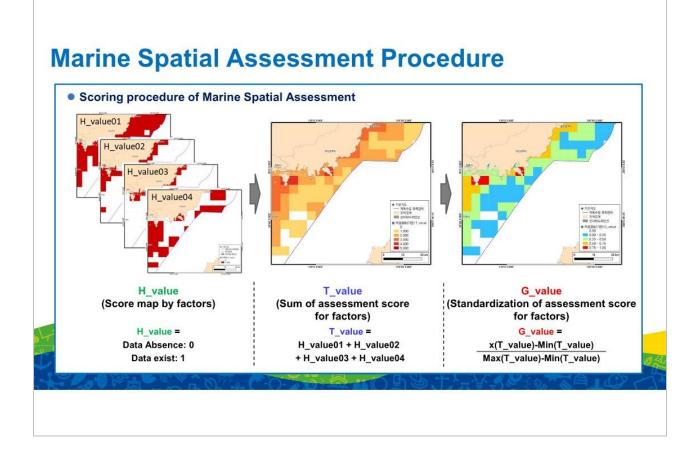


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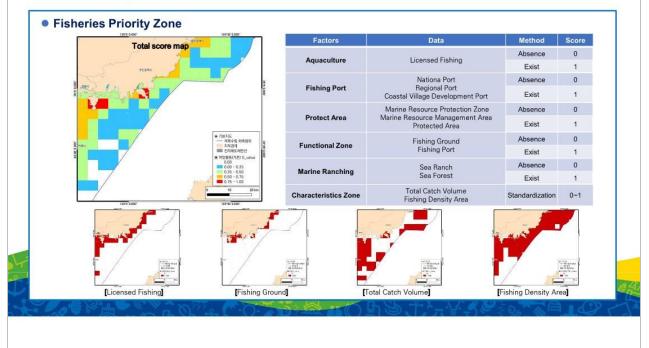
Make a spatial data of Marine Spatial Assessment Data

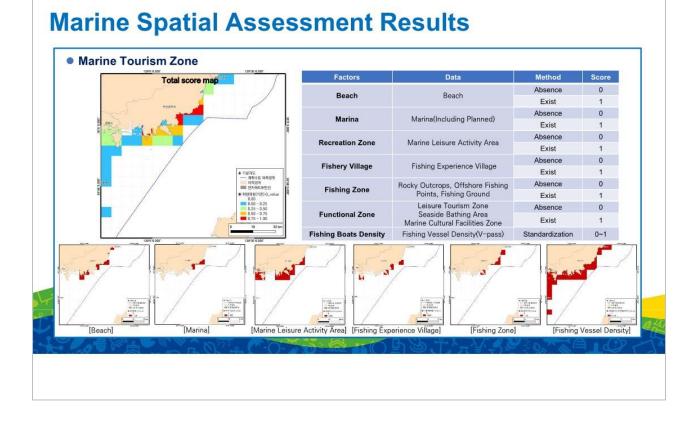
- Data collection in various forms such as vector, raster, text, and images
- Creating standardized spatial information through spatial data processing and mapping based on QGIS
- Creating a Database with Location-based unit data sets



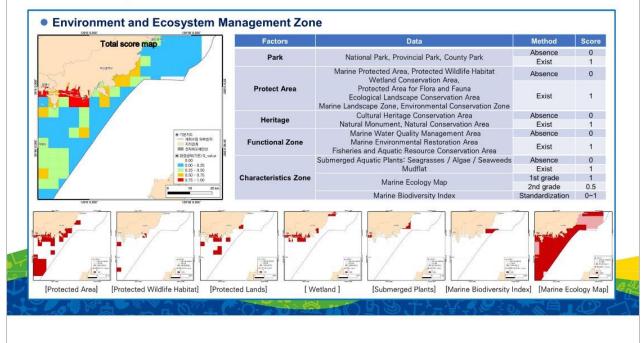


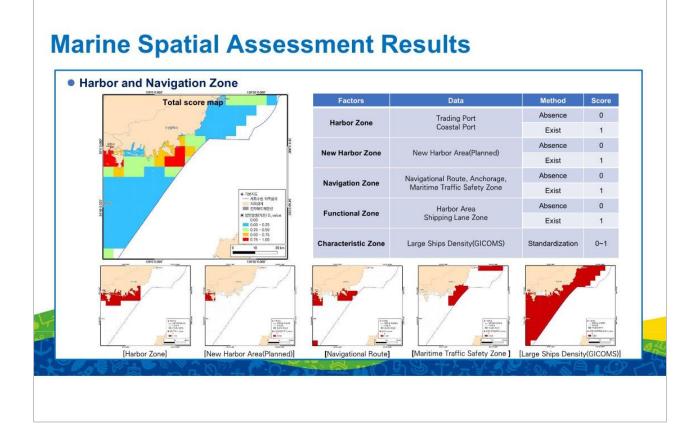
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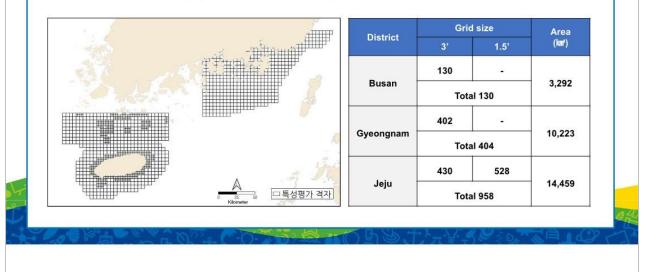
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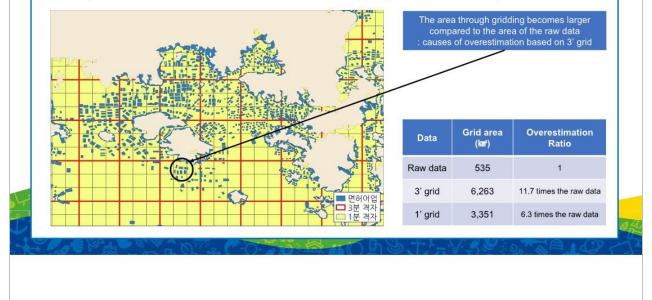
Target area of Marine Spatial Assessment planning

- A grid of 3'×3' (approximately 5km) is used to produce marine spatial analysis and assessment maps
- A grid of 1.5'×1.5'(under 10m depth) is used to analyzed considering the characteristics of the sea area and the density of marine use



• Application of grid subdivision of Marine Spatial Assessment planning (1)

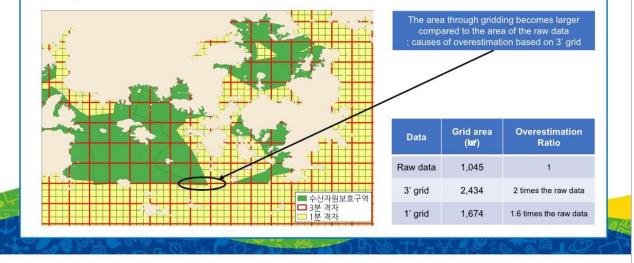
- Aquaculture: Comparison of application of 3' (present) and 1' (improvement) grid
- In comparison to the Raw data, there is an overestimation of 11.7 times for the 3' grid and 6.3 times for the 1' grid



Marine Spatial Assessment Improvement

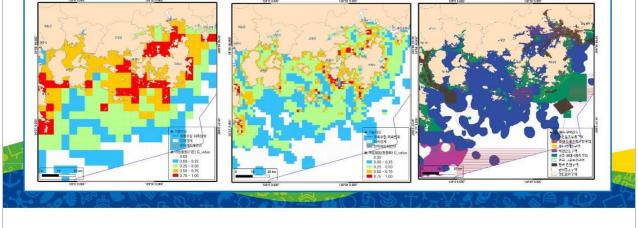
Application of grid subdivision of Marine Spatial Assessment planning (2)

- Fisheries Resources Protection Area: Comparison of application of 3'(present) and 1'(improvement) grid
- In comparison to the Raw data, there is an overestimation of 2.3 times for the 3' grid and 1.6 times for the 1' grid



Result of Grid subdivision of Marine Spatial Assessment planning

- Fisheries Priority Zone(Gyeongnam)
- Grid subdivision (Present : 3' grid \rightarrow Improvement : 1' grid)
- Ability to identify detailed distribution status by factors and classes of assessment
- The area is reduced by approximately 18% when applying the improved (6,914 km²) compared to the present (8,411 km²)



Gyeongna

3' grid area(%)

2,088(24.8)

2,289(27.2)

2,841(33.8)

1,193(14.2)

8,411

1' grid

area(%)

2,801(40.5)

2,546(36.8)

1,370(19.8)

197(2.9)

6,914

Grade

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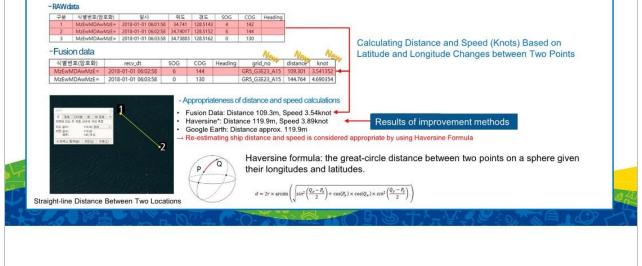
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Marine Spatial Assessment Improvement

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AIS	2018~2021 (4 years)	Static Information: Ship ID, Ship Type, Area ID, Ship Size (Based on AIS Sensor) Dynamic Information Raw Data : ID, Date and Time, Latitude, Longitude, Speed Over Ground, Course Over Ground, Bow Heading, Ship's Heading Fusion Data : ID, Date and Time, Speed Over Ground, Course Over Ground, Bow Heading, Grid Number, Distance Traveled, Ship's Speed					
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Marine Big Data Analysis

- Development of processing methods improvement by identifying the appropriateness of distance and speed calculation results of present fusion data
- In the case of Marine Big Data, data is collected in seconds-based, so the file size is approximately 4.6GB per month and 55.2GB per year (It takes approximately 2 weeks to calculate the density data based on the high-performance server)

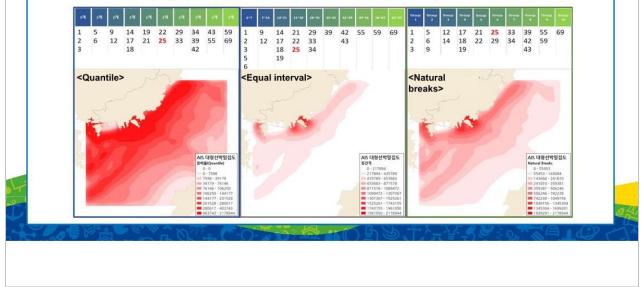


Marine Spatial Assessment Improvement

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Comparison of classification methods Marine Spatial Assessment

- Quantile : Classify the entire range of values into the same number of samples for each class
- Equal interval : Classify the entire range of values at equal intervals
- Natural breaks : Classify to groups of similar values, Identify the distribution of overall values (similar to the K-means method)



Concluding Remarks

- Marine Spatial Assessment can be employed for the scientific and objective formulation of Marine Spatial Planning through the utilization of various marine activity data
- Marine Spatial Assessment is constrained by the absence of diverse and comprehensive data
- A review of grid size configuration is essential to evaluate diverse forms of data across different Marine Use Zones



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