

OCEAN GOVERNANCE

Protecting and restoring marine ecosystems,
catalysts for building peace and security and
fostering sustainable economies,
Southeast Asia and Atlantic Ocean basin

**Global network of MPAs to
support ocean governance**

EU Parliament, Brussels
7 November 2023



Project funded by the European Union



Project Framework

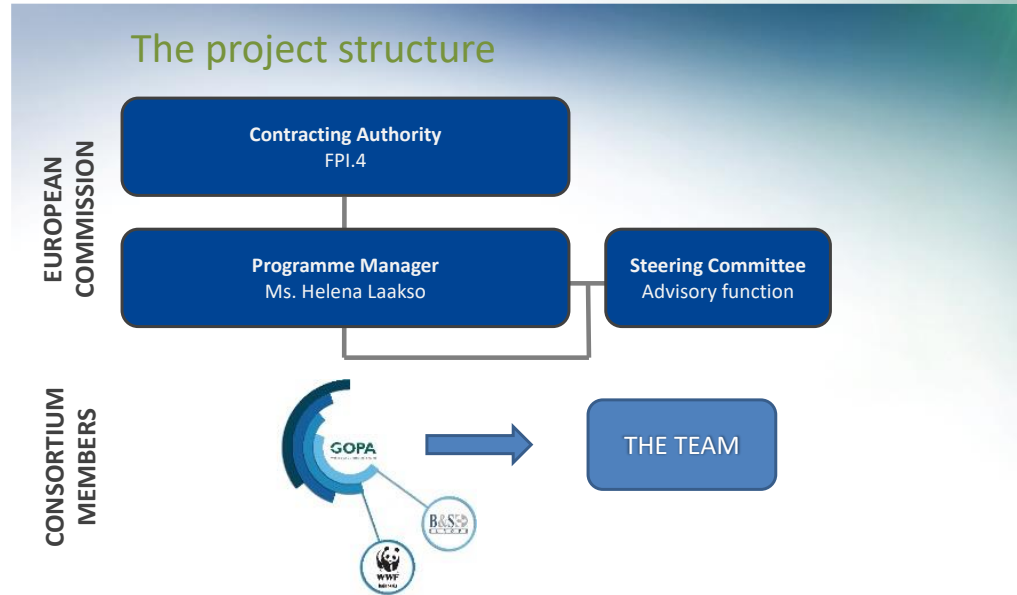
The **overall objective** is "to increase the EU's role as a global actor in international Ocean Governance by fostering regional and international cooperation relevant to the protection and restoration of marine and coastal ecosystems".

Focal areas of the project

- ❖ The Atlantic region
- ❖ The Southeast Asian region
- ❖and beyond

Project duration: **48 months**

- ❖ Project start: 01.01.2020
- ❖ Project closure: 31.12.2023






The Project Components

- **Component 1 “Restoration in SEA”**: Increased knowledge and practice of protecting and restoring marine and coastal ecosystems in three selected areas of marine protected areas in the **South East Asian region**
- **Component 2 “Twinning Projects”**: Improved management of marine protected areas around the **Atlantic Ocean** using the concept of shared environmental protection. **Marine Mammals, Resilience, and Networks of MPA managers**
- **Component 3 “Knowledge Exchanges”**: Strengthened knowledge exchange **between Atlantic and South East Asian marine and coastal regions**
- **Component 4 “Transboundary and Regional Cooperation”**: Improved basis for **dialogue** among marine and coastal stakeholders in the **South East Asian region**

The project is more than its specific actions:

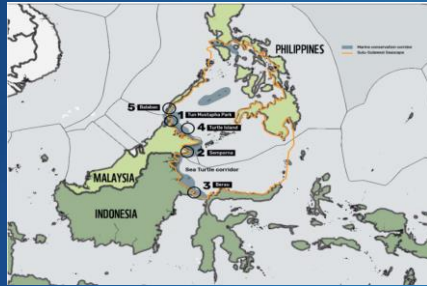
- ❖ The project is intervening on a higher level and playing an important role in trying to ensure the **implementation of EU commitments** made in relation to ocean governance and ocean protection **through MPAs**.
- ❖ In order to achieving any real protection **MPAs need help** and this is where **the project plays a role**.

THE PROJECT IS:

- ❖ LINKING the higher level work in the **international fora** to the practical level of **managing MPAs**.  **Interconnecting different levels of Ocean Governance**
- ❖ WORKING towards **enhancing the role and strength of MPAs** and doing this **by strengthening networks of MPA managers** and creating links between them
 - This facilitates the **exchange of best practices and learning**
- ❖ PAYING special attention to **work across national borders and encourage cooperation**
- ❖ DEVELOPING **models of governance and capacity building processes** for restoration with local and indigenous communities
- ❖ ENLARGING areas of action for networks of MPA managers. Atlantic  South-East Asia.  **GLOBAL**

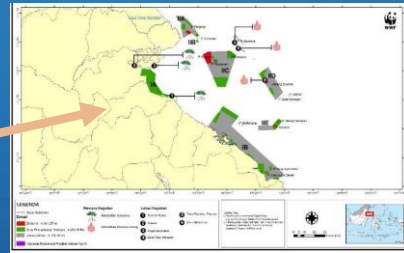


RESTORING MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS in three selected areas of Marine Protected Areas in the Southeast Asian region



3 Selected Geographic Areas :

1. Tun Mustapha Park, MY
2. Semporna PCA, MY
3. Derawan MPA (Berau), ID
4. Turtle Island HP, PH/MY
5. Balabac Island MCA, PH



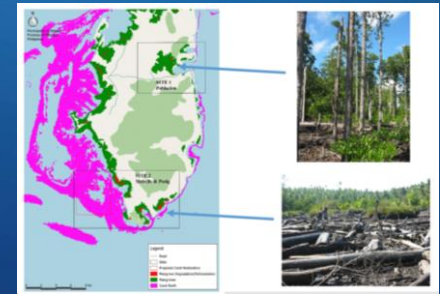
Balabac Island (Philippines)

❖ Mangrove restoration

Tun-Mustapha Park (Malaysia)
& Derawan MPA (Indonesia)

❖ Coral reef restoration:

- Rock pile
- Spider frame



Promotion of Transboundary Marine Conservation in Southeast Asia

❖ Workshop on Meeting New Marine Protected and Conserved Area Targets as part of the Global Biodiversity Framework in Southeast Asia (*support countries to reach CBD targets*).

23-25 November 2022, Puerto Princesa, Palawan, Philippines

- ✓ *Mid level official people of ministries in ASEAN countries and key regional actors*
- ✓ *Exploring and showing options to reach CBD target 11 and prepare for 30x30 (MPAs, OECMs, ICCAs, LMMAs.....)*
- ✓ *Need for transboundary cooperation*



Promotion of Transboundary Marine Conservation in Southeast Asia

❖ Workshop on Protecting Marine Migratory Species and Achieving the 30x30 Target through Transnational Approaches (*support countries to reach CBD and CMS targets*).

15-17 May 2023, Manado, Indonesia

- ✓ *MPA-WG and Species-WG of CTI-CFF in the CT6 countries and key regional actors and scientists*
- ✓ *Exploring and showing options to reach **CBD Target 3** of GBF (MPAs, OECMs, ICCAs, LMMAs.....)*
- ✓ *Resolution of CMS for South-East Asia*
- ✓ *Need for transboundary cooperation*
- ✓ *Creation of a Network of MPA managers*



WHY DO WE NEED TO CONNECT MANAGERS ?

Viet-Ph-Mal-NE

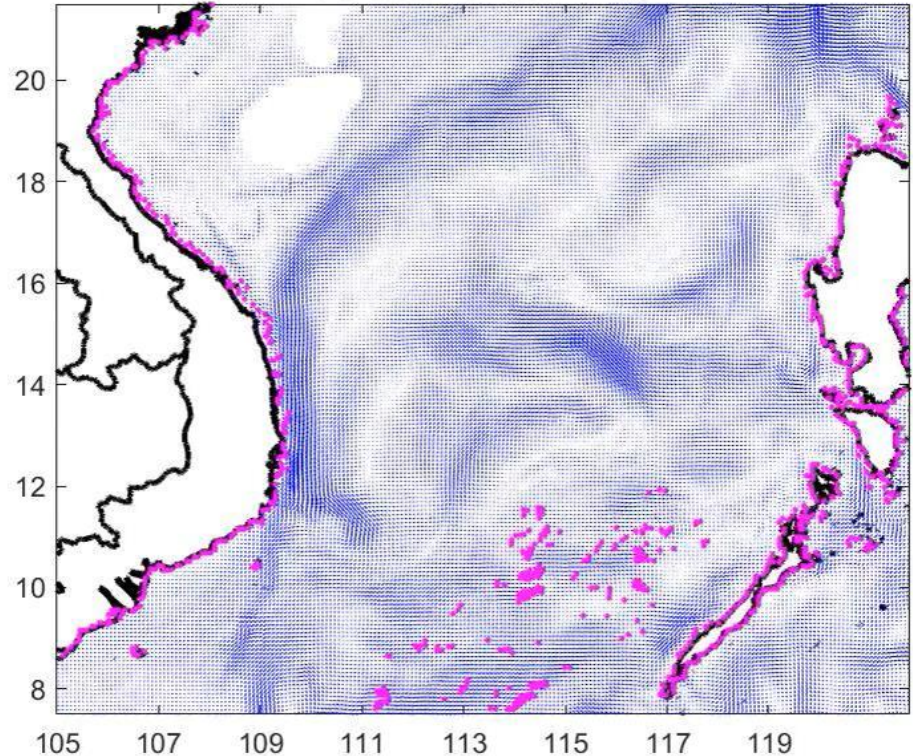
Particles representing larvae from west of Philippines and north of Malaysia, move to coastal side of Vietnam and Cambodia.

Particles from Vietnam move south to peninsular Malaysia.

Source:
*Vincent
Hilomen
ASEAN CB*



Northeast Monsoon: Day 1



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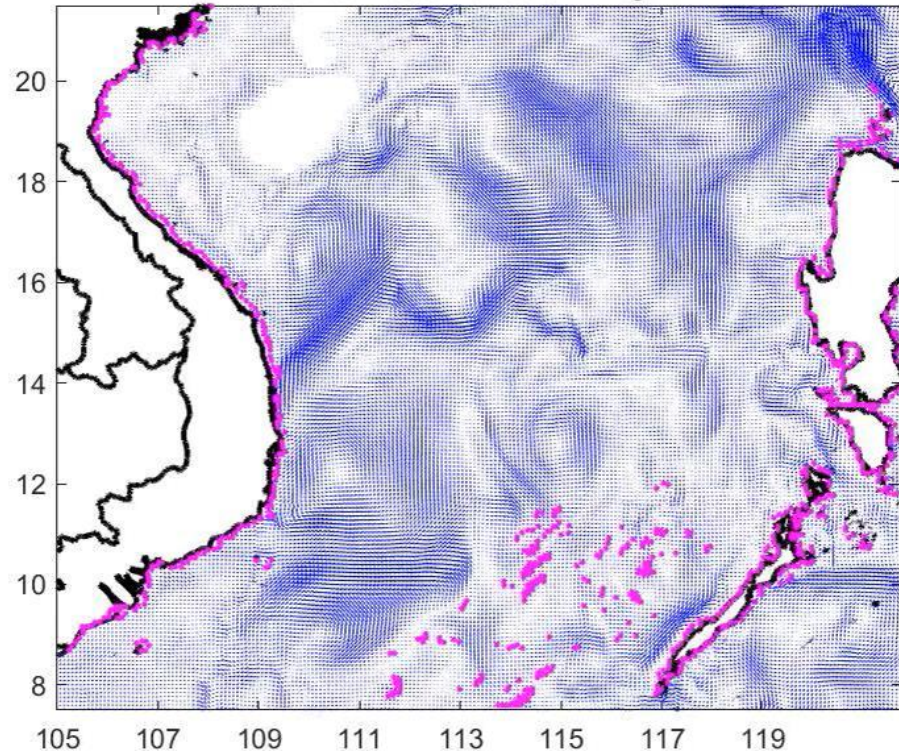
Viet-Ph-Mal-SW

Movement of particles representing larvae, reverse, move from coasts of Vietnam across the South China Sea to the northwestern side of the island of Luzon in the PH.

Similarly, particles from Malaysia move across the West Philippine Sea to northwestern side of Palawan

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EU Transatlantic MPA Network Project

Twinning projects



Cooperation and common strategy between MPA networks of managers in the Atlantic region



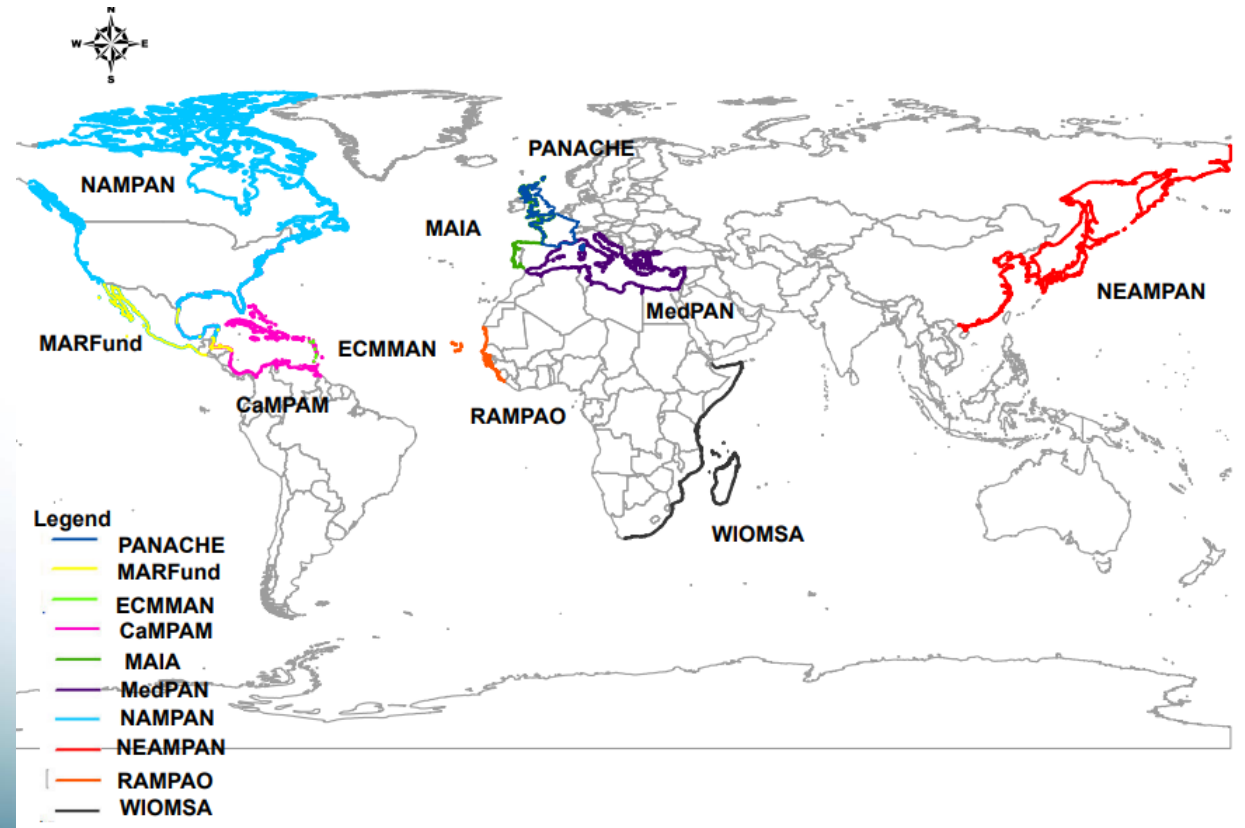
MPAs and coastal resilience, coping with rapid changes



Marine mammals' protection, a way to enhance transatlantic cooperation between MPAs



MPA Networks identified in 2016



Cooperation and common strategy between MPA networks of managers

Regional partners

- ❖ CaMPAM (Caribbean, UNEP/CEP & SPAW-RAC)
- ❖ MedPAN (Mediterranean)
- ❖ NAMPAN (North America)
- ❖ RAMPAN (West Africa)

National partners

- ❖ French Biodiversity Agency (France)
- ❖ Fundación Biodiversidad (Spain)



MPA Networks Common Strategy: 4 Strategic Axes

1. Sharing information, knowledge and tools
2. Building network capacity
3. Policy support/advocacy
4. Financing

PARTICIPATION IN
INTERNATIONAL
EVENTS AND
PROCESSES





“Cooperation and common strategy between MPA networks of managers” in the Atlantic and beyond

NEW PARTNERS

- **Regional partners**

- ❖ SPAW/RAC (Caribbean)
- ❖ OSPAR (North East Atlantic)
- ❖ HELCOM (Baltic)
- ❖ RedParques (Latin America)
- ❖ RePatagonian Forum (South West Atlantic)
- ❖ Red Golfo (Gulf of Mexico)
- ❖ CMAR Corridor (East Tropical Pacific)
- ❖ WIOMPAN (Indian)
- ❖ NEAMPAN (North East Asia)



NEW PARTNERS

- **National partners**

- ❖ NOAA (USA)
- ❖ CONANP (Mexico)
- ❖ National Natural Parks of Colombia
- ❖ Dominican Republic
- ❖ *National Parks of Senegal*
- ❖ Community MPAs Senegal
- ❖ *OCC (Uruguay)*
- ❖ *Department of Rocha Uruguay*
- ❖ Ministry of Environment Uruguay





NOAA

CONANP

Parques de Colombia

CMAR

Uruguay

Patagonian Forum

Red Golfo DR

SPAW/RAC

RedParques

NAMPAN

RAMPAO

Senegal

OSPAR

HELCOM

FBA

FBD

MedPAN

NEAMPAN

WIOMPAN

MPA Managers at the centre of International Policy

Connecting Networks of MPA Managers around the world

(Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Ocean)

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SUSTAINABLE FINANCING
OF MPA NETWORKS

PARTICIPATION
IN
INTERNATIONAL
EVENTS AND
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ASSESSING "NETWORKS
EFFECTIVENESS"

NETWORKS
LEARNING
EXCHANGES



New
networks in
Asia:

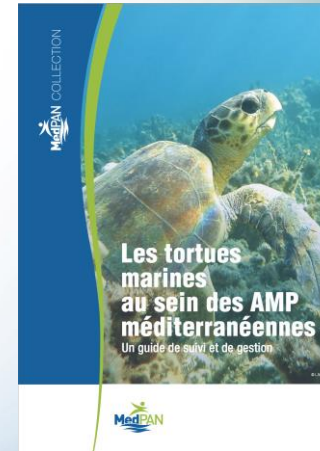
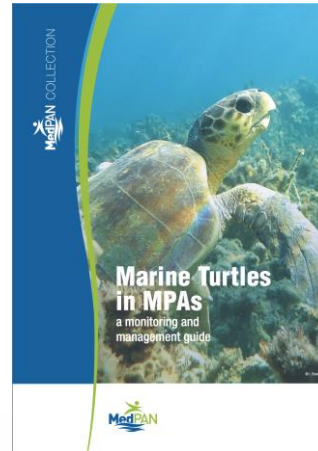
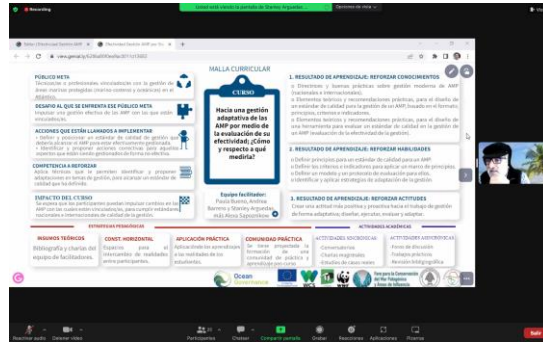
- Coral Triangle
- ASEAN CB
- COBSEA



1. Sharing information, knowledge and tools

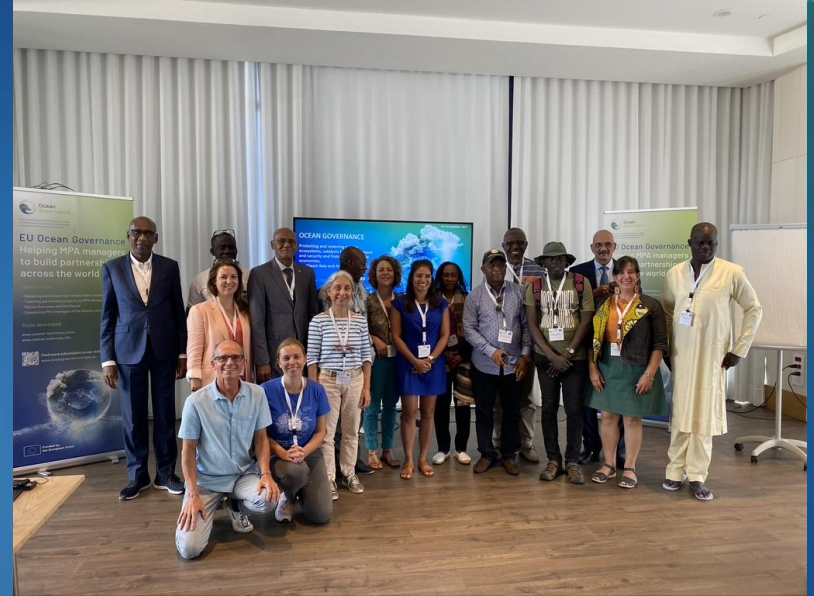
MPA MANAGEMENT EFFECTIVENESS ON-LINE TRAINING

MARINE TURTLES AND MPA MANAGERS: TRANSLATION OF GUIDELINES



2. Building network capacity

LEARNING EXCHANGES TO STRENGTHEN CAPACITY



LEARNING EXCHANGES





bring you

VIRTUAL LEARNING EXCHANGE

FOR CTI-CFF UNDER
THE EU OCEAN
GOVERNANCE PROJECT

NOVEMBER 3-5, 2021

Session topics include:

- supporting MPA management at regional and national scale
- new tools for MPA management in terms of coastal resilience
- protection of marine mammal
- protection of marine turtles and their habitats

To join the Virtual Learning Exchange, please register via the link
<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/EUOG-CTI-2021exchanges>

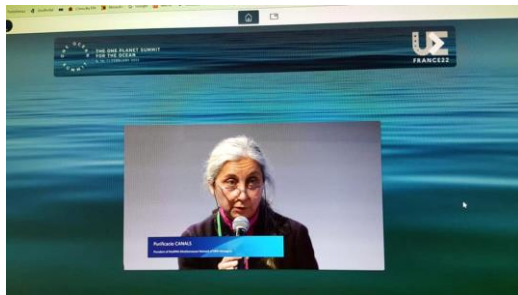
LEARNING EXCHANGES BETWEEN ATLANTIC AND SOUTH EAST ASIA MPAs *Kota Kinabalu (Malaysia, October 2022)*



3. Policy support/advocacy : International Events



*One Ocean Summit, Brest
(France), February 2022*



*Monaco Blue Initiative,
Monaco, 20 March 2022*

3. Policy support/advocacy : International Events

COP15 to the Convention on Biological Diversity



(Montreal, 7-19 December 2022)

- *Involvement in the new Action Plan of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI), 1-2 December*
- *Side event of the MPA Networks Twinning, 14 December*
- *Active participation in debates together with partners*
- *Promotion of the objectives and activity of the project linked to the Post 2020 Global Biodiversity Framework*



PROJECT & MPA NETWORKS support to the new CBD Global Biodiversity Framework:

- The project is developing and piloting tools and methodologies to **build capacity for the implementation of the marine targets** linked to MPAs
- The project is **connecting key actors for implementation at MPA management level around the world** and strengthening their contribution at different ocean governance levels
- The project is preparing actors for management of future **MPAs in ABNJ**



3. Policy support/advocacy: International Events

UN Ocean Conference, Lisbon (Portugal), June 2022



Africa Protected Areas Congress,
Kigali (Rwanda), 18-22 July 2022



3. Policy support/advocacy: International Events

5th International Marine Protected Areas Congress (IMPAC5)

(Vancouver, 3-9 February 2023)

- Meeting managers from around the world, special focus on local and indigenous communities
- Big involvement of our partners
- Support to the candidacy of Senegal to IMPAC6



4-Financing

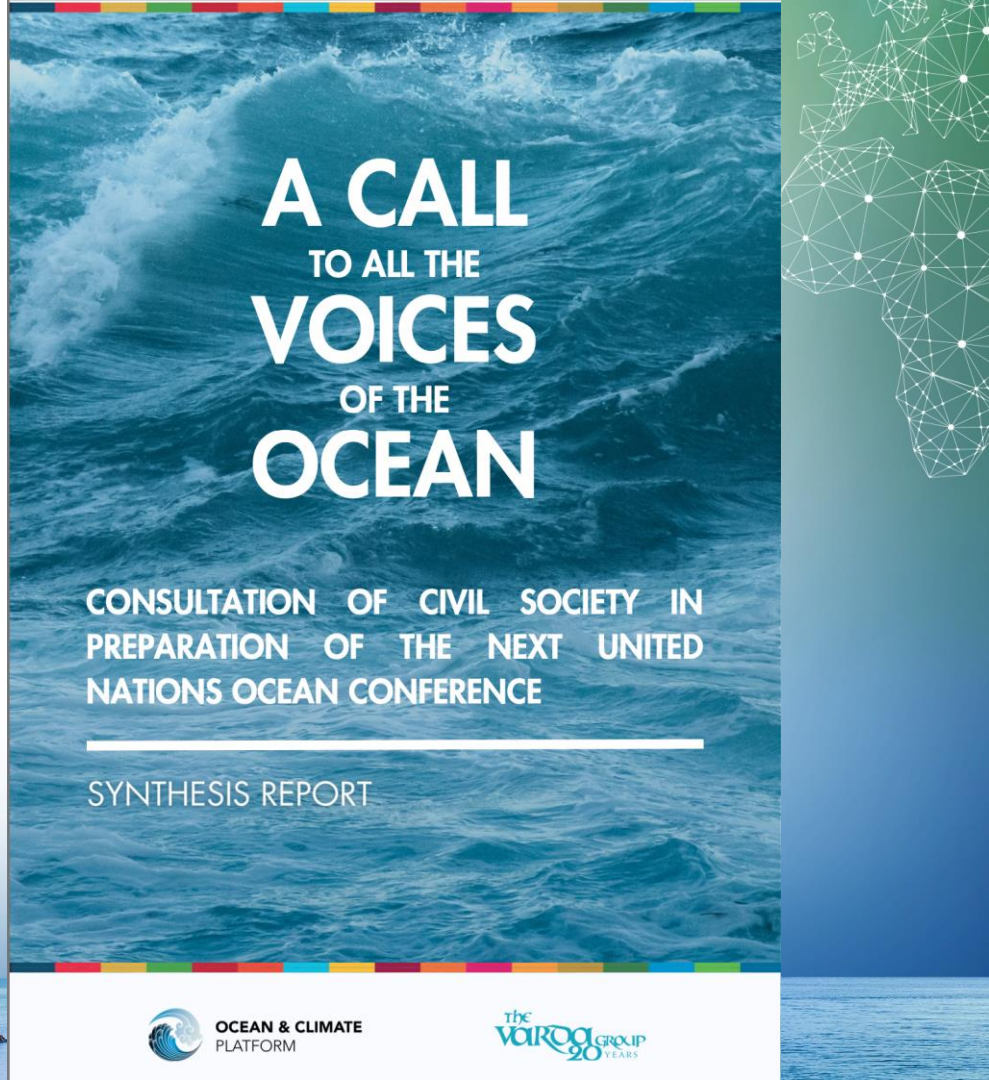
- ❖ **Global Alliance for Marine Protection** with Conservation trust Funds
- ❖ Exploring new opportunities for the networks of MPA managers



2024 AND BEYOND....

OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ New networks being created
- ❖ New BBNJ Agreement
- ❖ GBF Implementation
- ❖ UNOC in Nice
- ❖ IMPAC6 in Senegal
- ❖



A CALL TO ALL THE VOICES OF THE OCEAN

CONSULTATION OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN
PREPARATION OF THE NEXT UNITED
NATIONS OCEAN CONFERENCE

SYNTHESIS REPORT

2024 AND BEYOND....

CHALLENGE

- ❖ Strategy and resources to allow the continuity and sustainability of the **Global network of MPA managers**

Towards a Blue Belt bolstering international cooperation between MPA networks across the globe



*Ocean Governance Global Conference
Tarragona (Spain), 20-22 September 2023*

Thank you for your attention

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