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Overview of the SOI Global Dialogue with Regional Seas Organizations and Regional Fishery Bodies

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- Tends to be in separate silos
- Conclusions of one forum not necessarily reflected in other fora
- CBD has been making efforts to approach “the fisheries world”



SOI Global Dialogue

- Informs organisations regarding the work of CBD
- Informs organisations regarding each other's work
 - Different mandate– same region
 - Similar mandate – different region
 - Global organisations contribute and benefit



SOI Global Dialogue

- Platform for cooperation and coordination
- Presents examples that different organisations and regions can learn from
- Enhances cross-sectoral dialogue



SOI Global Dialogue

- Not a “silver bullet” that solves everything
- Have been significant improvements in exactly what SOI is intending to improve
- SOI has clearly had a massive contribution to these improvements



SOI Global Dialogue

- Practical results – not just nice chat
- RFMOs working on conservation of biodiversity
- RFMOs more aware of the work of CBD and other relevant organisations – and take account of it
- RFMOs strengthening relationship with other organisations



SOI Global Dialogue

- Can already point to achievements
- Hopefully will maintain the success
- Hopefully will build on the success to achieve even more in the future