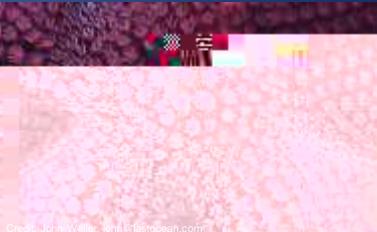


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DEEP SEA, OPEN OCEAN



Credit: Scripps Institution of Oceanography, NOAA



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CRUCIAL ROLE OF HEALTHY OCEANS IN CLIMATE CHANGE

Absorbed 1/3 of all CO₂ emitted since 1850

Removed 25% of CO₂ between 2000-2007

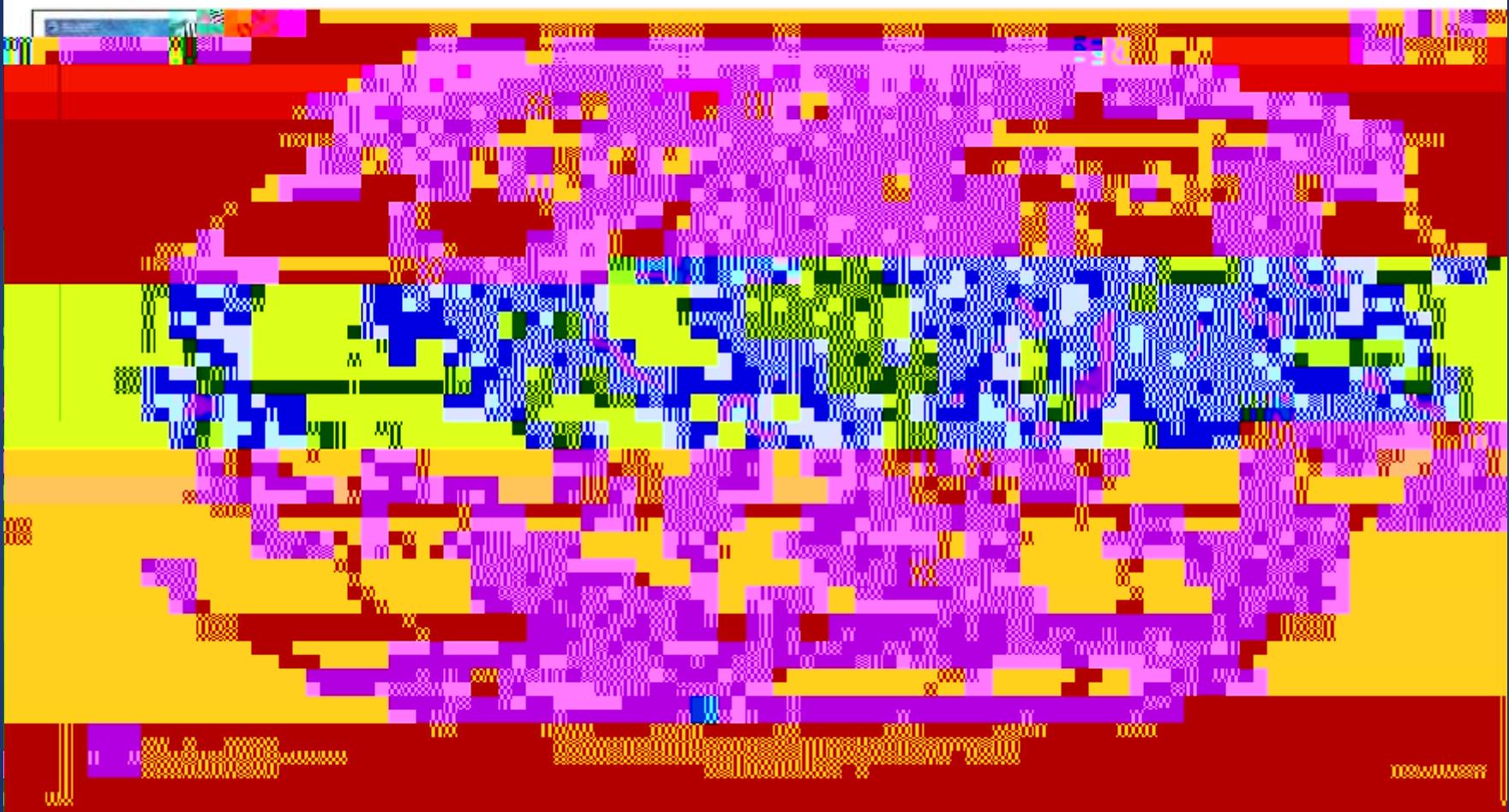
¾ Main buffer to climate change and will likely bear greatest burden of impacts

¾ Ocean health influences the capacity of oceans to absorb carbon

FAO, CBD, UNEP, UNDP, World Bank et al., 2009, *Fisheries and Aquaculture in our Changing Climate*

ftp://ftp.fao.org/FI/brochure/climate_change/policy_brief.pdf

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CBD COP9 Decision 20 (2008)

Annex I: Site Criteria

1. Uniqueness / rarity
2. Special importance for life history of species
3. Importance for threatened, endangered or declining species / habitats
- 4.

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Annex II: MPA Network Guidance

1. EBSAs (site criteria)
2. Representativity
3. Connectivity
4. Replication
5. Adequacy / viability

UN WORKING GROUP

February 2010:

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Recognize the importance of establishing MPAs consistent

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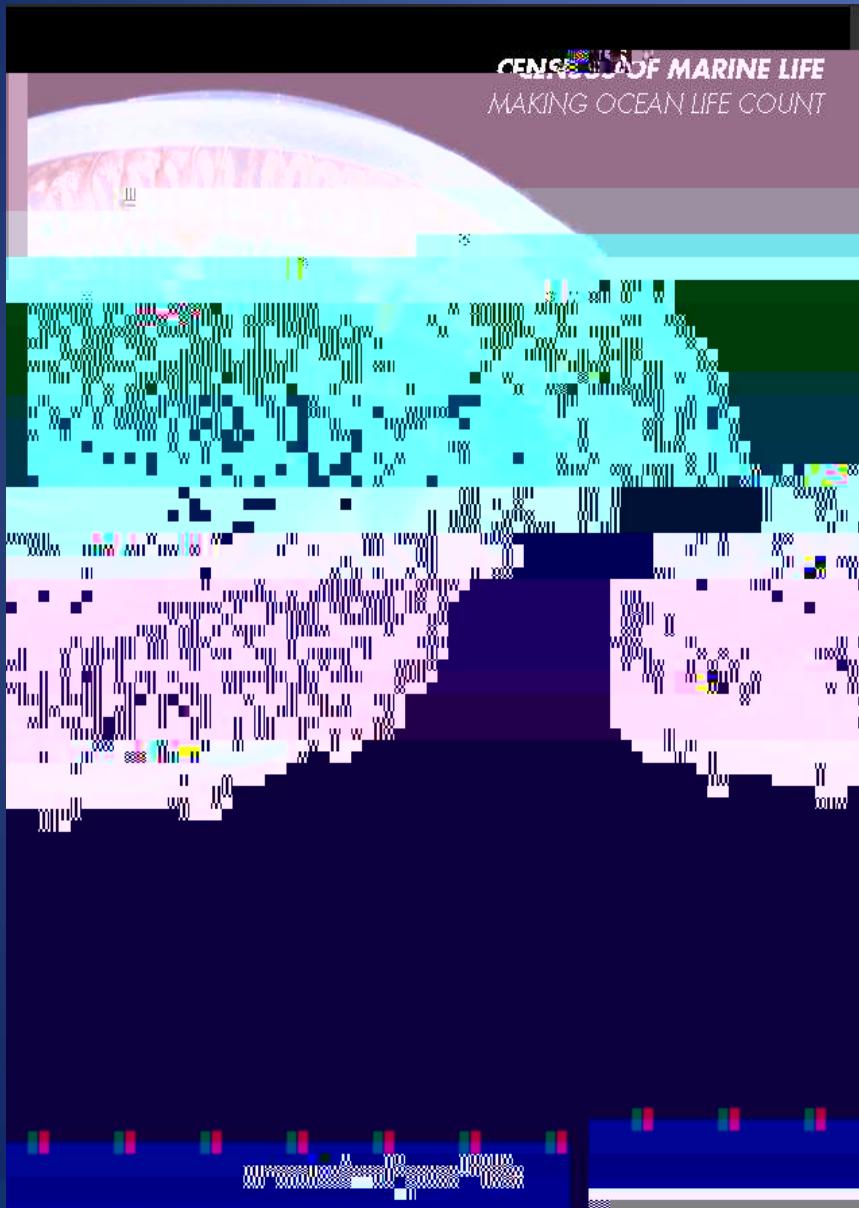
Recognize the importance of EIA, in particular for the implementation of the **ecosystem and p20Asseeca**

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Prepare guidelines on EIAs and SEAs

Adopt guidance on identification of significant areas

LINKING SCIENCE TO POLICY

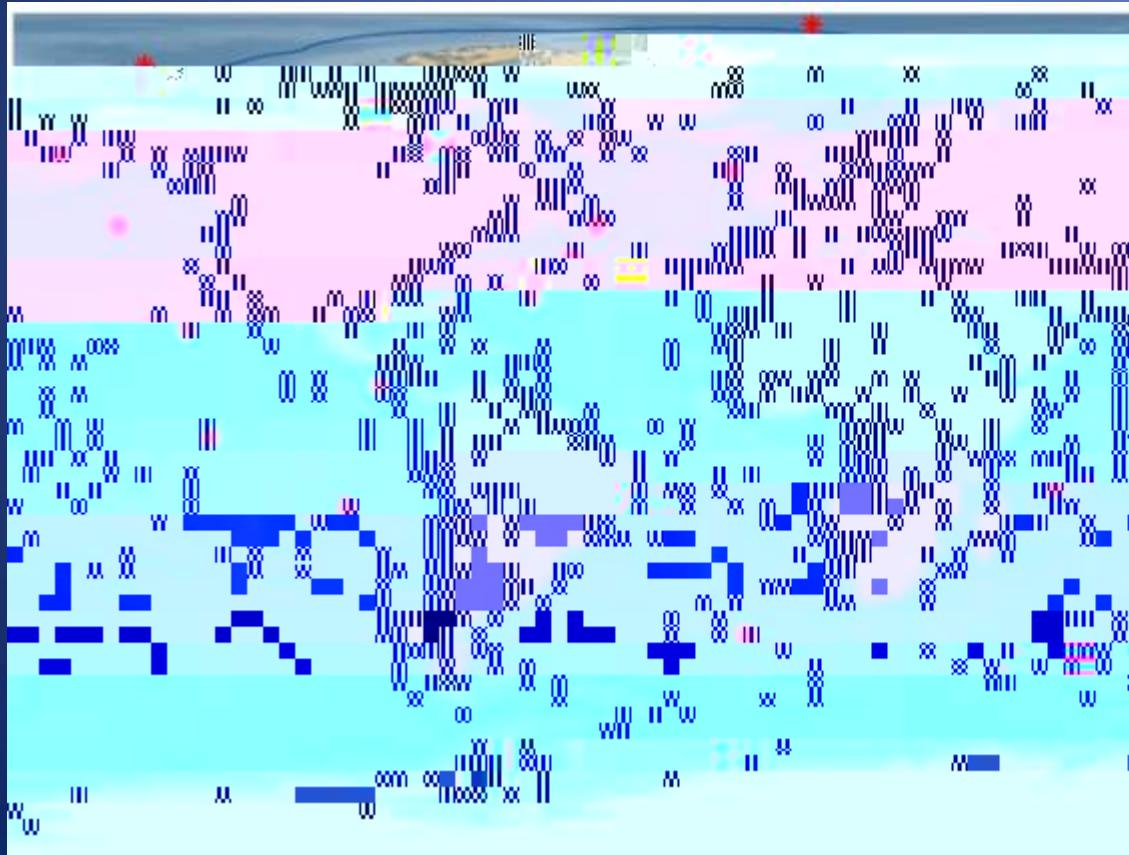


New ways of observing the living ocean



Tagging and tracking large predators across the Pacific
(www.TOPP.org)

EBSA ILLUSTRATIONS



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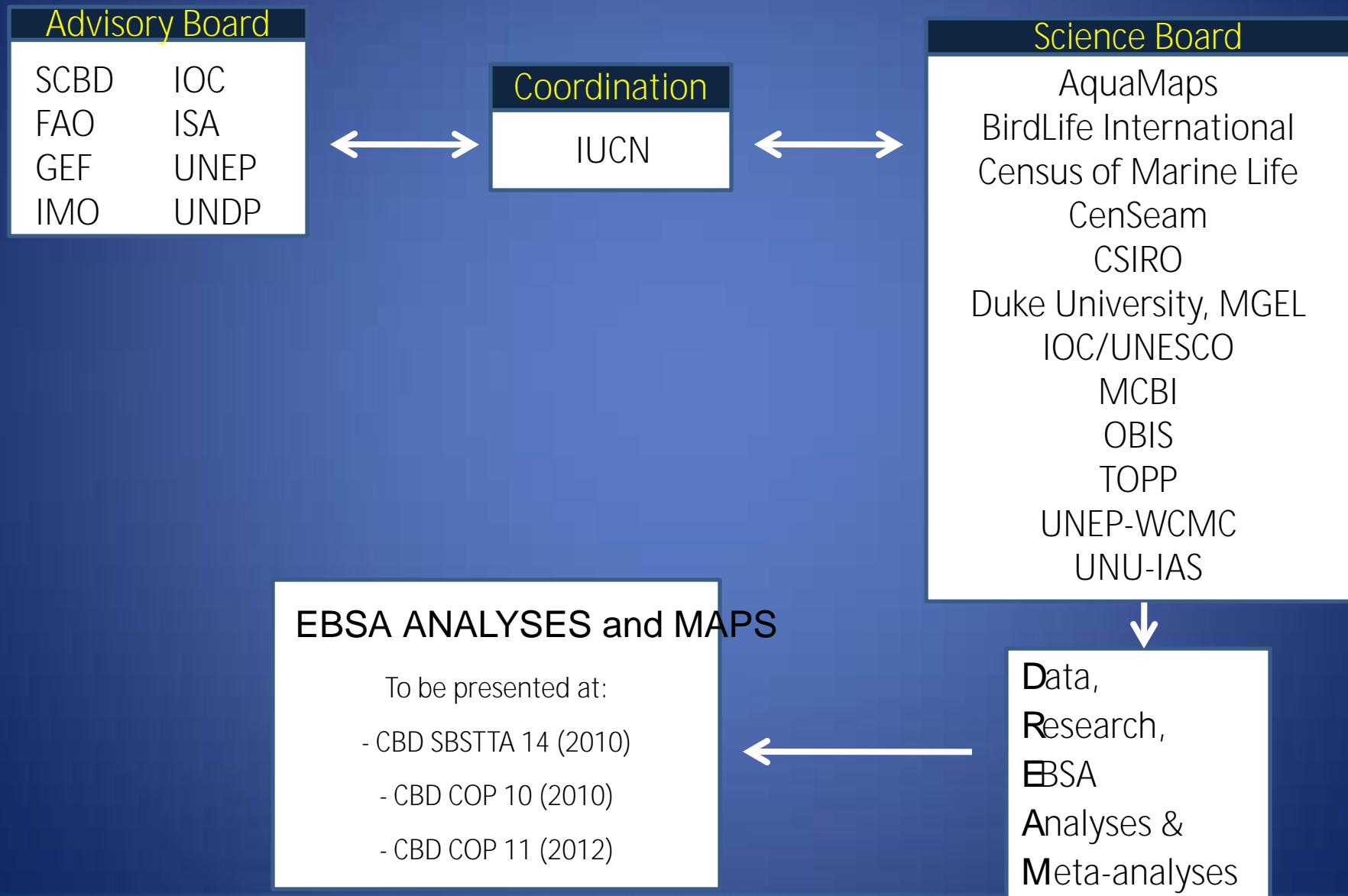
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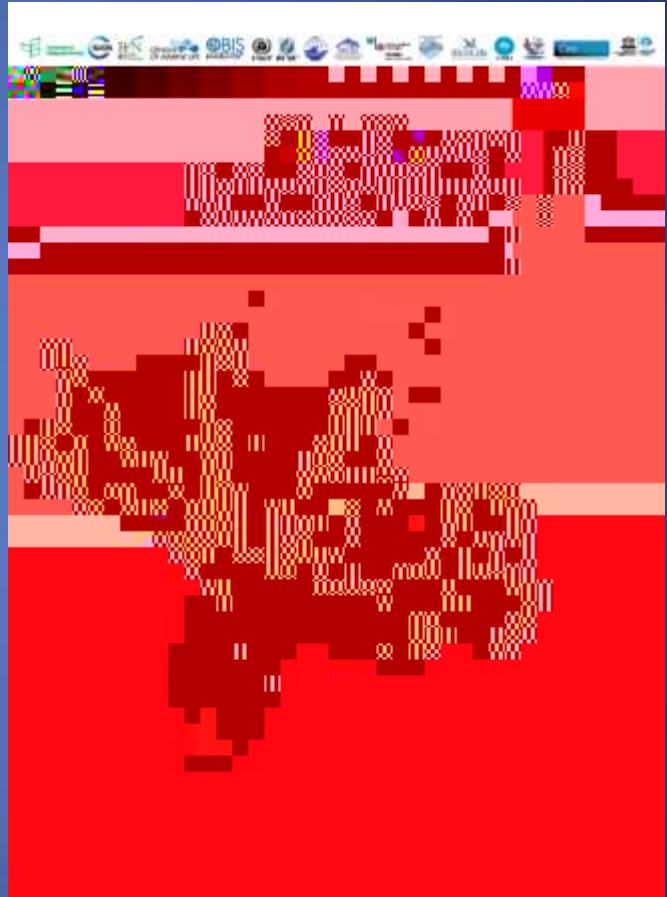
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