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**ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY CCAMLR DURING THE  
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1. Developments on inventories of Marine resources, and of fisheries; revision of annex 2
  - Updated fact sheets submitted to FIRMS in 2017.
  - Revision of the boundary between Subareas 58.6 and 58.7 so that the boundary between the French and South African EEZs is in the high seas at 44°E longitude (CCAMLR-XXXV, paragraph 12.4, see also Fig.1). The revised subarea boundaries are as follows:
    - 58.6: the waters bounded by a line commencing at 45°S 44°E; thence due east to 60°E longitude; thence due south to 50°S latitude; thence due west to 44°E longitude; thence due north to the starting point
    - 58.7: the waters bounded by a line commencing at 45°S 30°E; thence due east to 44°E longitude; thence due south to 50°S latitude; thence due west to 30°E longitude; thence due north to the starting point.

The revised boundaries were agreed by CCAMLR in October 2016 and have been applied retrospectively to the entire time series of STATLANT data and trade statistics published in the CCAMLR *Statistical Bulletin*.

- The CCAMLR *Statistical Bulletin* Volume 29 was published in April 2017 (see <https://www.ccamlr.org/en/data/statistical-bulletin>) and contains:
  - Catch and effort statistics for all fisheries in CCAMLR's Convention Area
  - Catch histories for selected fishery target species
  - Trade statistics (landings and exports) of toothfish (*Dissostichus eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni*)
  - Planimetric seabed areas by selected depth intervals.

Information published in the Statistical Bulletin is available in various formats:

- MS Access database
- Fisheries webpages (catch statistics for toothfish (*D. eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni*), icefish (*Champsocephalus gunnari*) and krill (*Euphausia superba*)
- Data files (csv format) for catch and effort statistics, krill catches by SSMU and trade statistics.
- Selected tables from the Statistical Bulletin in pdf.

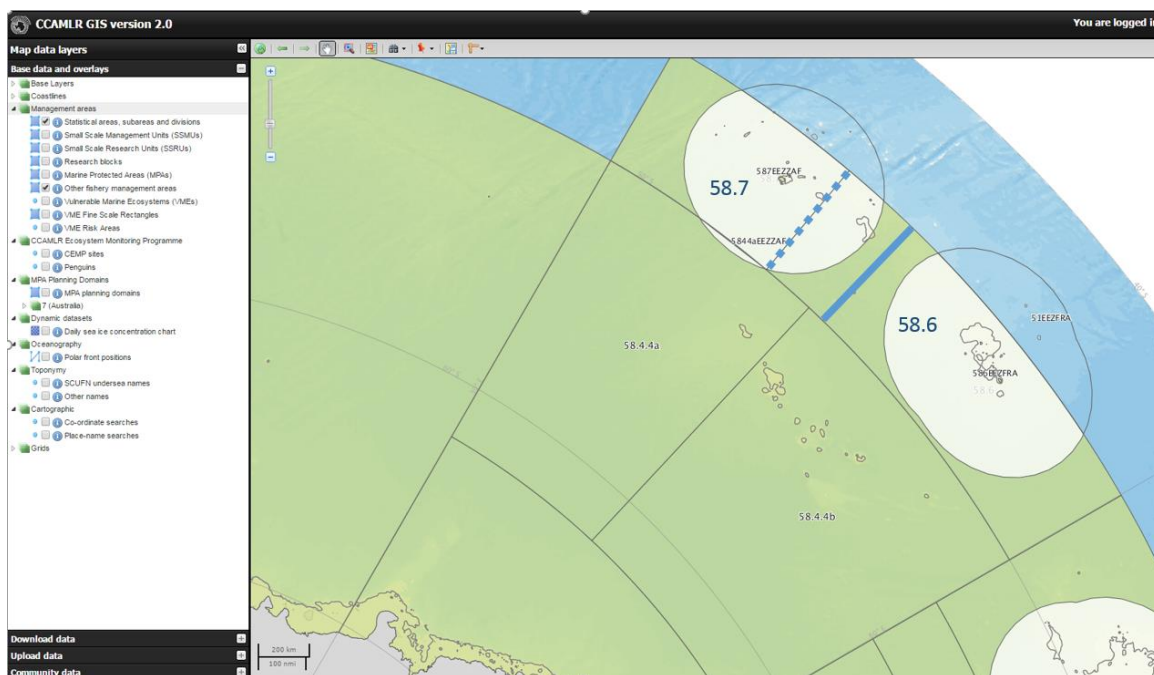


Figure 1: Revised boundary between Subareas 58.6 and 58.7 (solid blue line at 44°E).  
The old boundary (dashed blue line) is included for reference.

Source: CCAMLR GIS <https://gis.ccamlr.org/home>

## 2. Reporting on status/trends of Marine resources, and of fisheries:

- The status and trends in CCAMLR fisheries are reviewed annually by the Commission and the Scientific Committee and its Working Groups, and stock assessments are updated on an annual cycle, or a biennial cycle in some fisheries. This review is reported in CCAMLR's fishery reports (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/publications/fishery-reports>) and in meetings reports (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/meetings/meetings>). Limits in CCAMLR fisheries are published annually in the Conservation Measures (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/conservation-and-management/browse-conservation-measures>).

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- CCAMLR implements an ecosystem-based approach to managing fisheries, and precautionary catch limits are set using decision rules which implement the objectives of the Convention.
3. Development/review of standards
    - Limited current involvement.
  4. Development of Applications (e.g. new module at Secretariat level, or enhancements in streamlining workflow at Partner level);
    - Limited current involvement.
  5. Development of case studies/prototypes;
    - Limited current involvement.
  6. Training or skills development;
    - Limited current involvement.
  7. Promotional / fund raising activities
    - CWP and FIRMS links on the CCAMLR website <https://www.ccamlr.org/en/data/partnerships>
  8. Planned activities during the coming intersession period.
    - Updating fact sheets, including FIRMS status/trend indicators
    - Contribution to the development of GRSF.