

# DATA FOR AREAS BEYOND NATIONAL JURISDICTION (ABNJ)

## WEBINAR

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This webinar will discuss the importance of data and metadata in areas beyond national jurisdiction. Join UNEP-WCMC to hear about:

- Work undertaken to create a metadata inventory of relevant data suitable for use in area-based planning in the regions
- Data storage options in the two pilot regions, to help understand the current situation and highlight potential for improvement in the future, including regional and global data relevant for area-based planning.

### COLLATING AVAILABLE DATA

Currently there are limited mechanisms to bring together data and information from all the different sectors working in areas beyond national jurisdiction (ABNJ). There are also geographic and legal gaps in management of activities, meaning there is potential for decisions made by one sector to adversely affect another sector.

### DATA MANAGEMENT

One way to contribute to the increased knowledge sharing and coordination of activities is through common data practices. Storage, access and sharing of the relevant data among the different sectors undertaking activities in ABNJ could help to facilitate the coordination of activities in both the short and long term. This in turn can support a more integrated and long term approach to sustainable management of the high seas.

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