

Marine Spatial Planning: the International Picture and Emerging Good Practice

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SIPKES



Oil Spill in East China Sea 2018



Loss of Tropical Corals from Global Warming



Loss of Atlantic Right Whales



Microplastics in Ocean Life



Coastal Flooding in Havana after Hurricane Irma 2017

Habaneros wade through
floodwaters near El Malecón
after Hurricane Irma.

Preview

- Marine spatial planning (MSP) is alive and well; in fact it's flourishing
- It's grown from a concept to world-side application in about 70 countries over the past 10 years (45% of countries with marine waters)
- It's not a panacea for all marine management problems (nor is ecosystem-based management)
- By 2030 about half of the world's EEZs could be covered by government-approved marine spatial plans

For more information on MSP

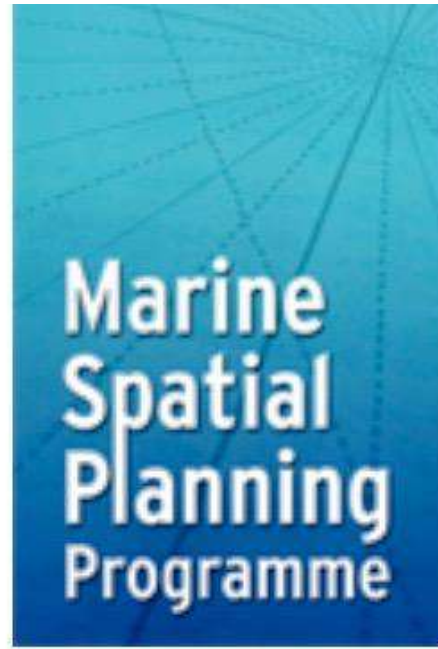


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Marine Spatial Planning Website

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Balancing sustainable use
and conservation through
**Marine Spatial
Planning**



*“By failing to plan,
we are planning to fail.”*

Benjamin Franklin

American polymath and
A “Founding Father” of USA
1706-1790

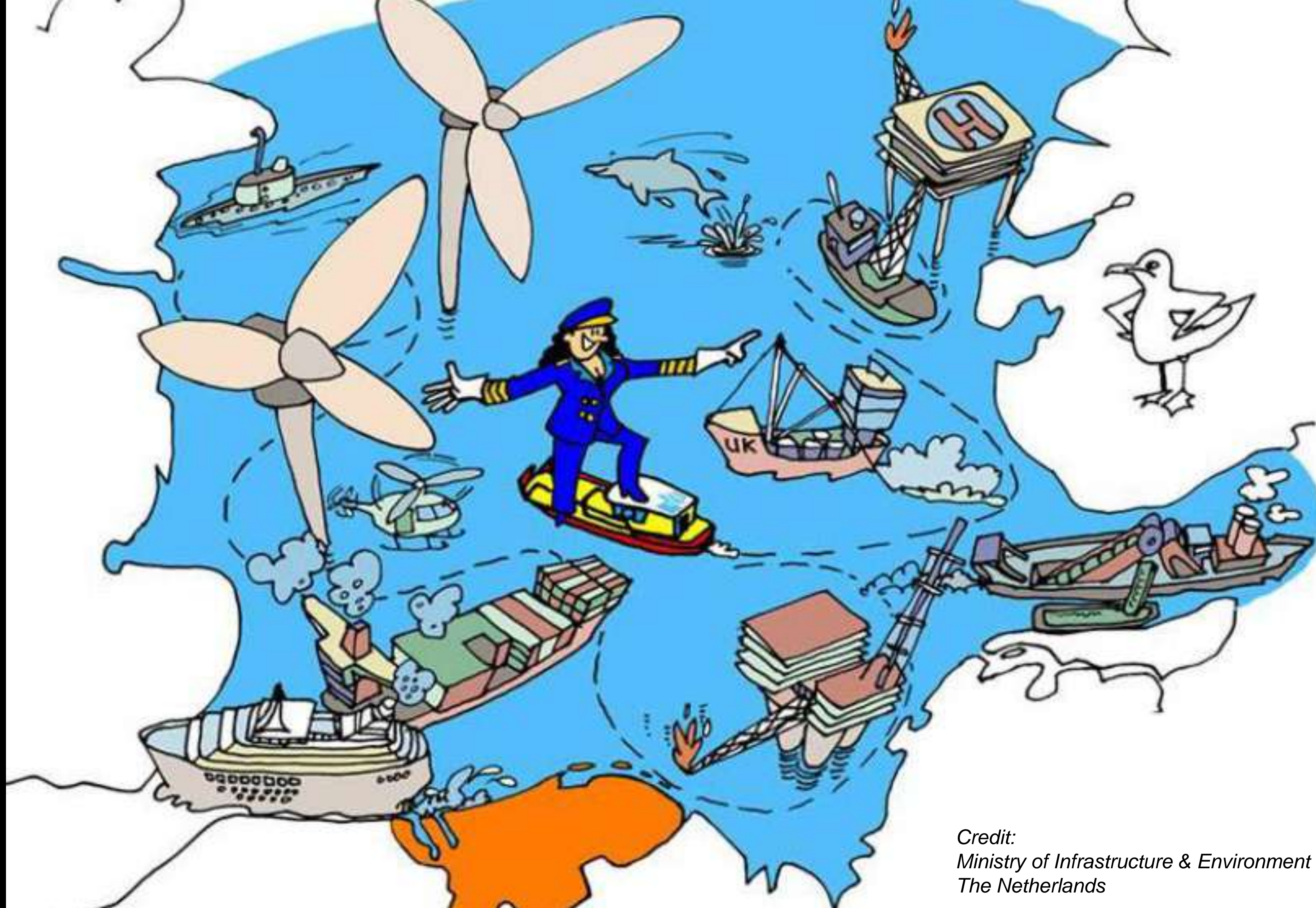
*Franklin lived 20 years in London including as
colonial representative during the Seven Years war;
His birthday was 17 January—312 years ago*

*“Environmentalists have failed
perhaps more than any other
set of advocates to project vision.*

*The best goal most of us who
work toward sustainability offer is
the avoidance of catastrophe.
We promise survival and
not much more.”*

Donella Meadows

American scientist and futurist
1941-2001

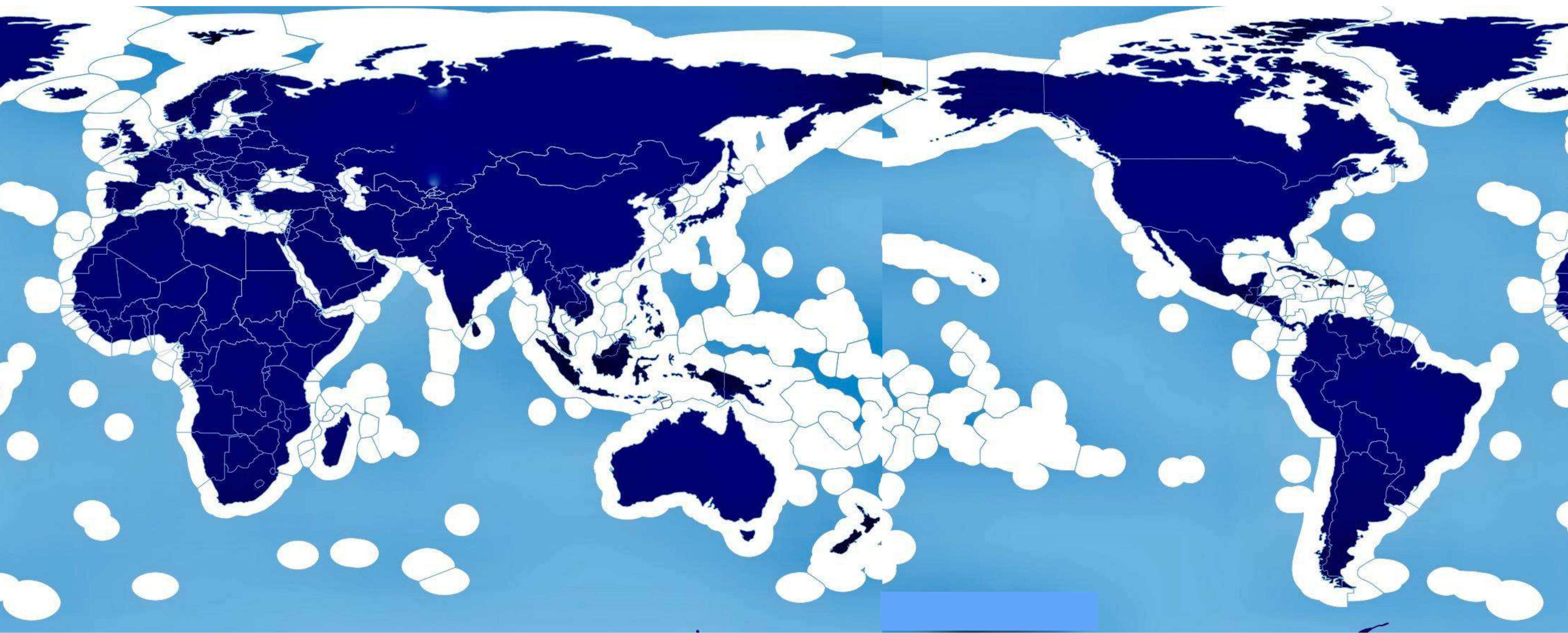


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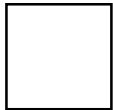
Definitions of the Cornerstones of Integrated Marine Management

- **Marine spatial planning** is “...*the public process of analysing and allocating the spatial and temporal distribution of human activities to achieve ecological, economic, and social objectives that are specified through a political process.*” (Ehler & Douvere, 2007)
- **Ecosystem-based management** is “...*balancing human activities and environmental stewardship in a multiple use context.*” (Smith et al., 2017)
- **Marine spatial planning** is “...*ecosystem-based management at sea.*” (Katona et al., 2017)

Exclusive Economic Zones of the World



Land: \approx 29% of the Surface Area of the Earth

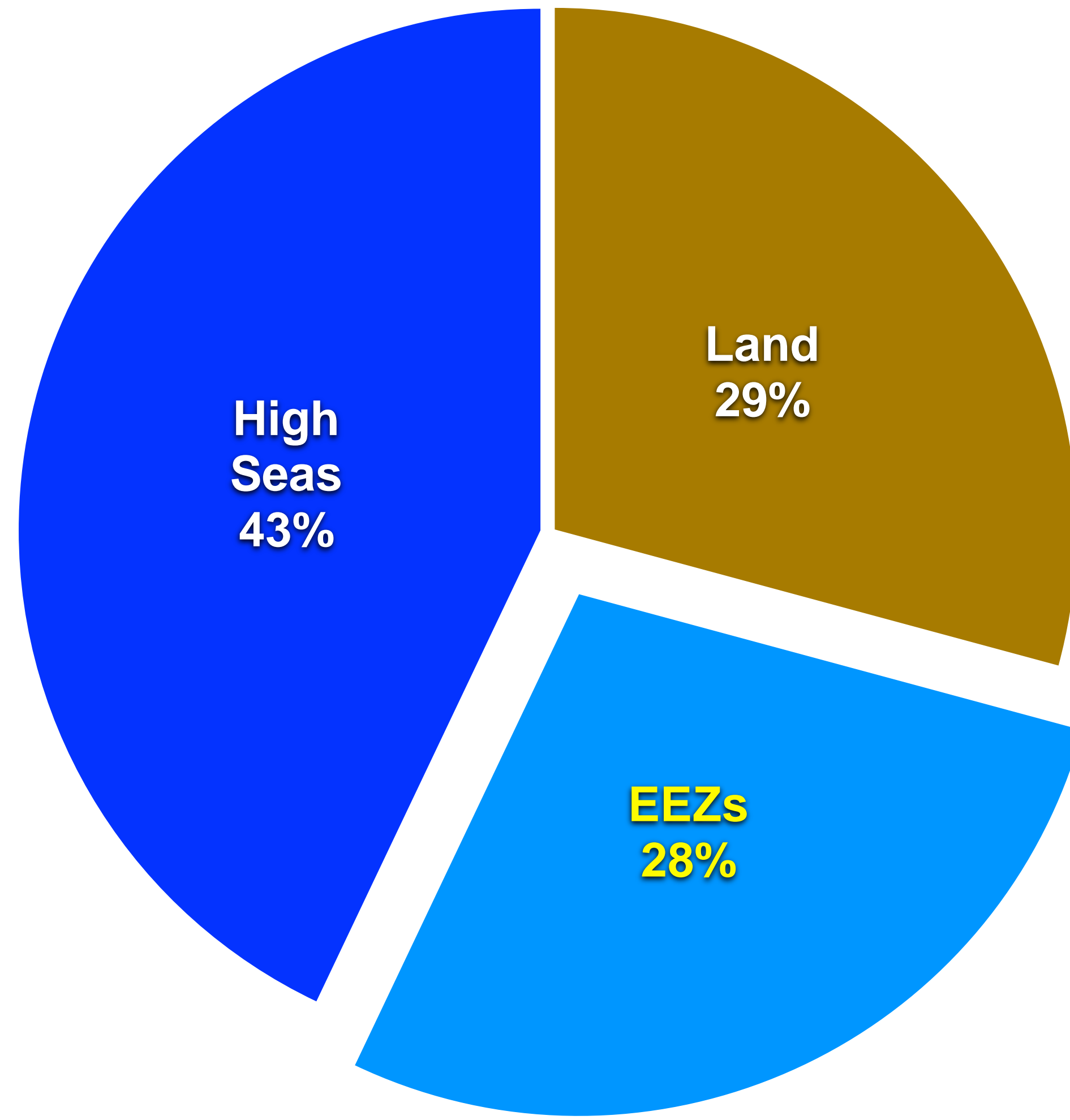


Exclusive Economic Zones: \approx 28% of the Surface Area of the Earth

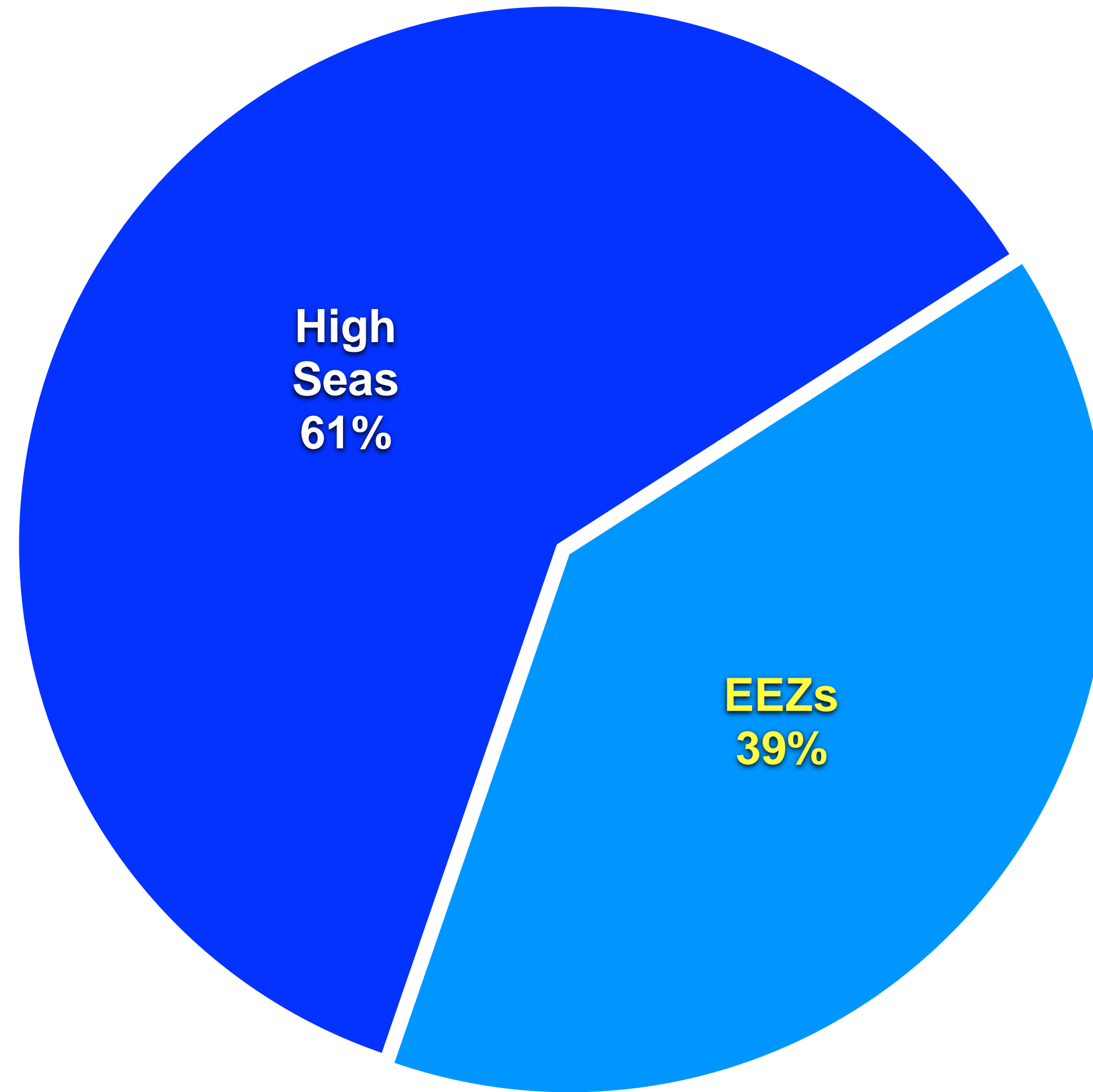


Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ) or High Seas: \approx 43% of the Surface Area of the Earth

Percentage of Surface Area of All World

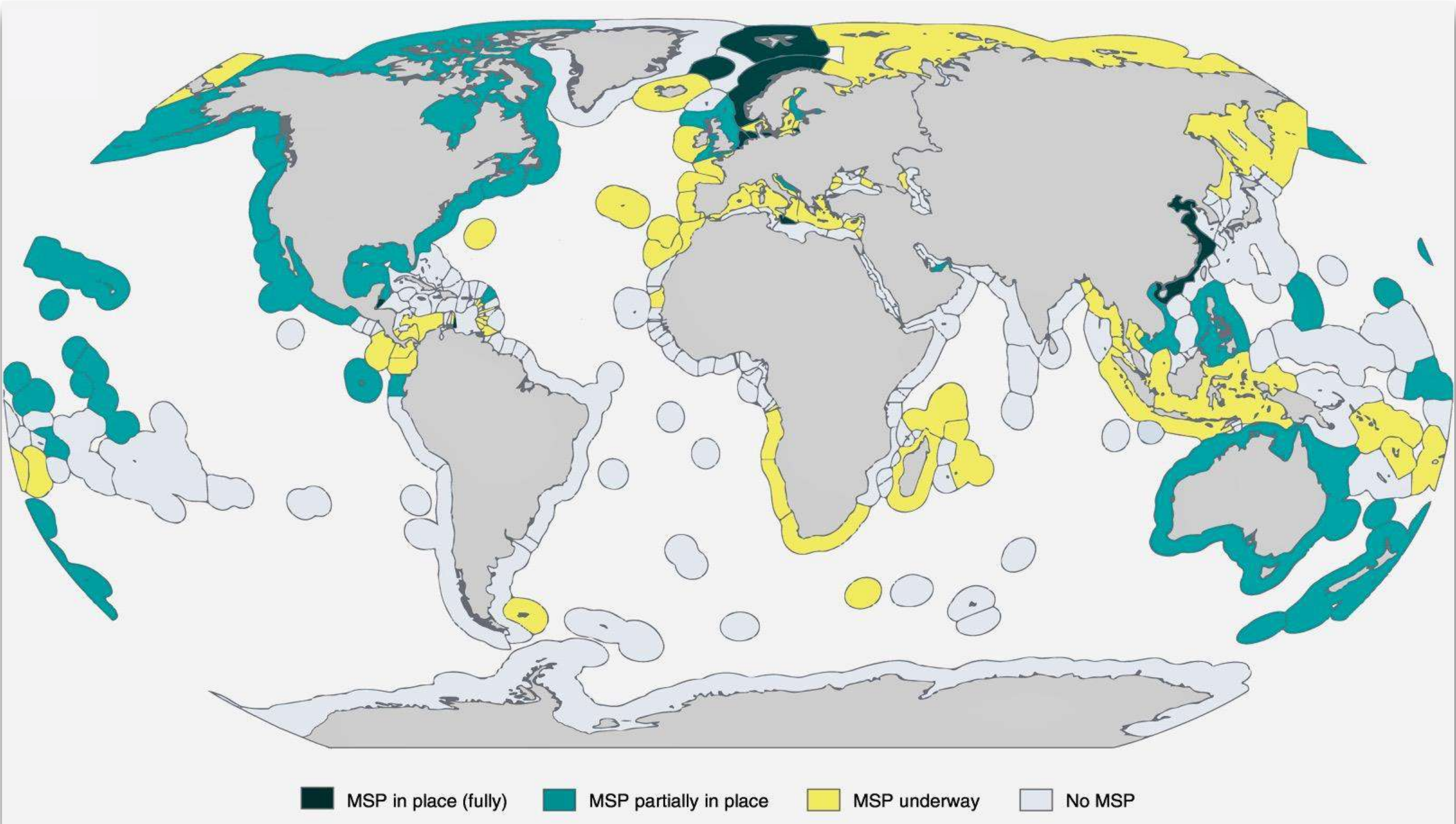


Percent of World Ocean Surface Area

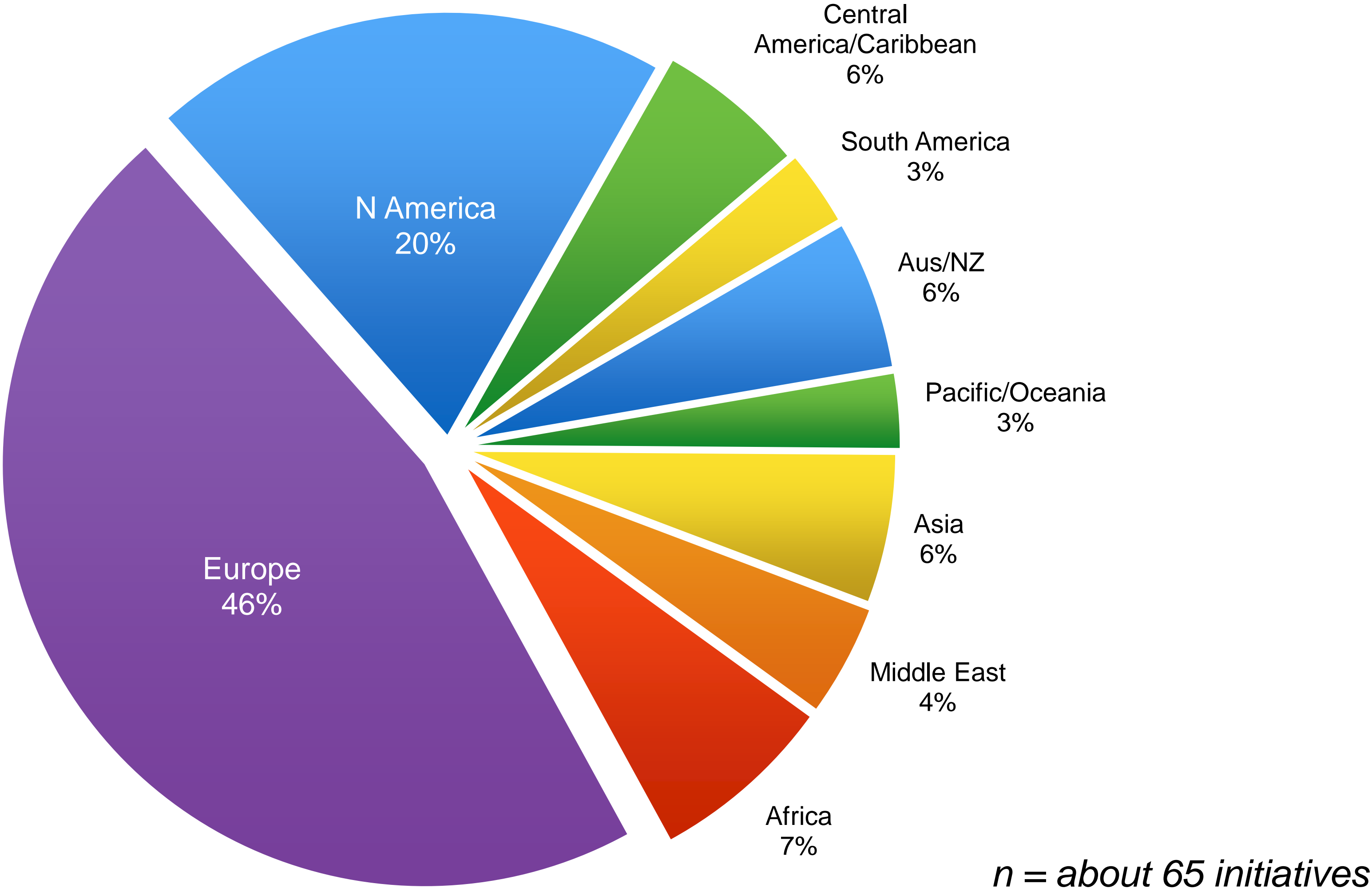


*Surface Area of World's EEZs
is about 140 million km²*

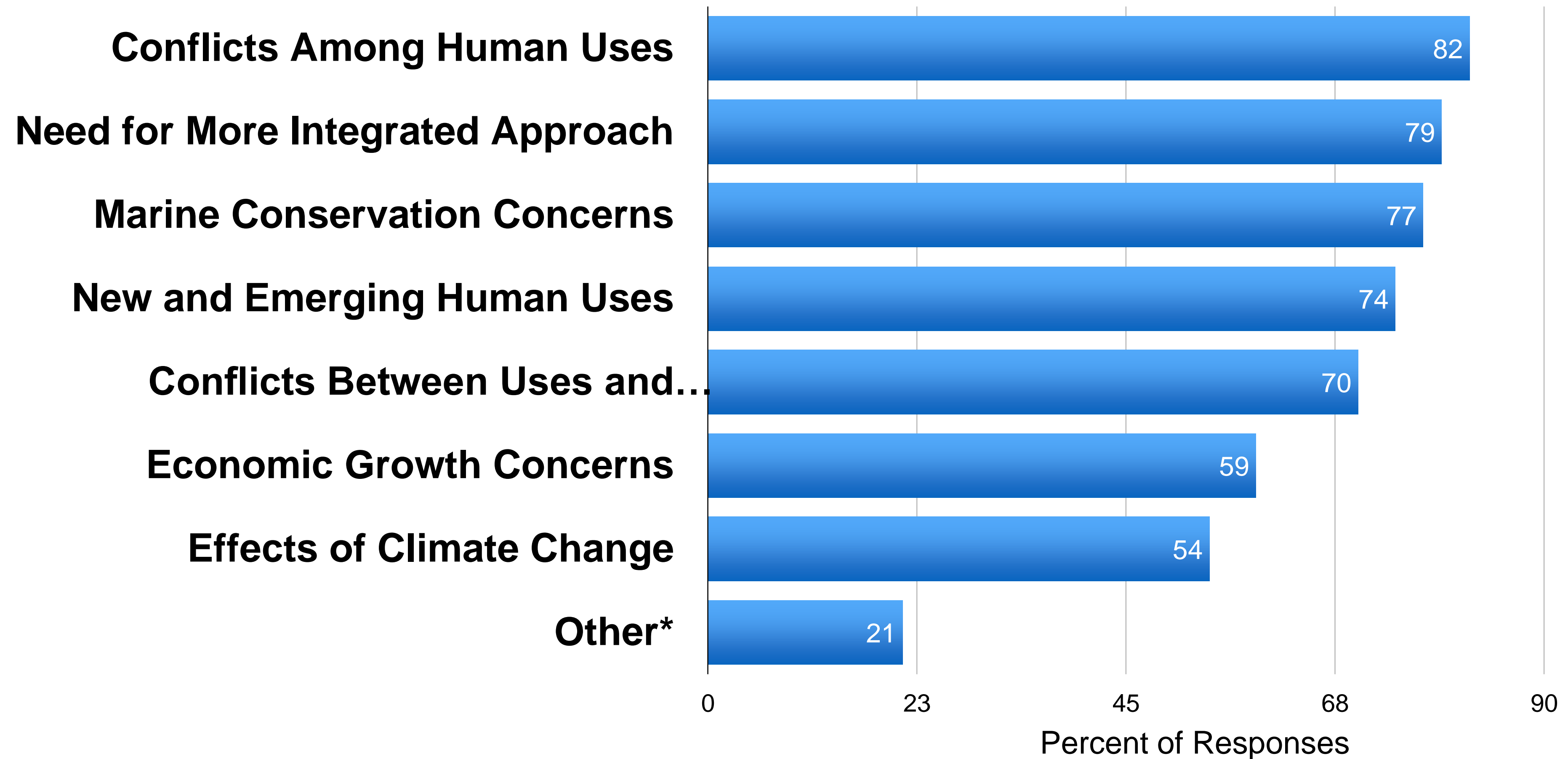
World-wide Distribution of MSP Initiatives, 2017



Regional Distribution of Number of MSP Initiatives, 2017



Drivers of MSP

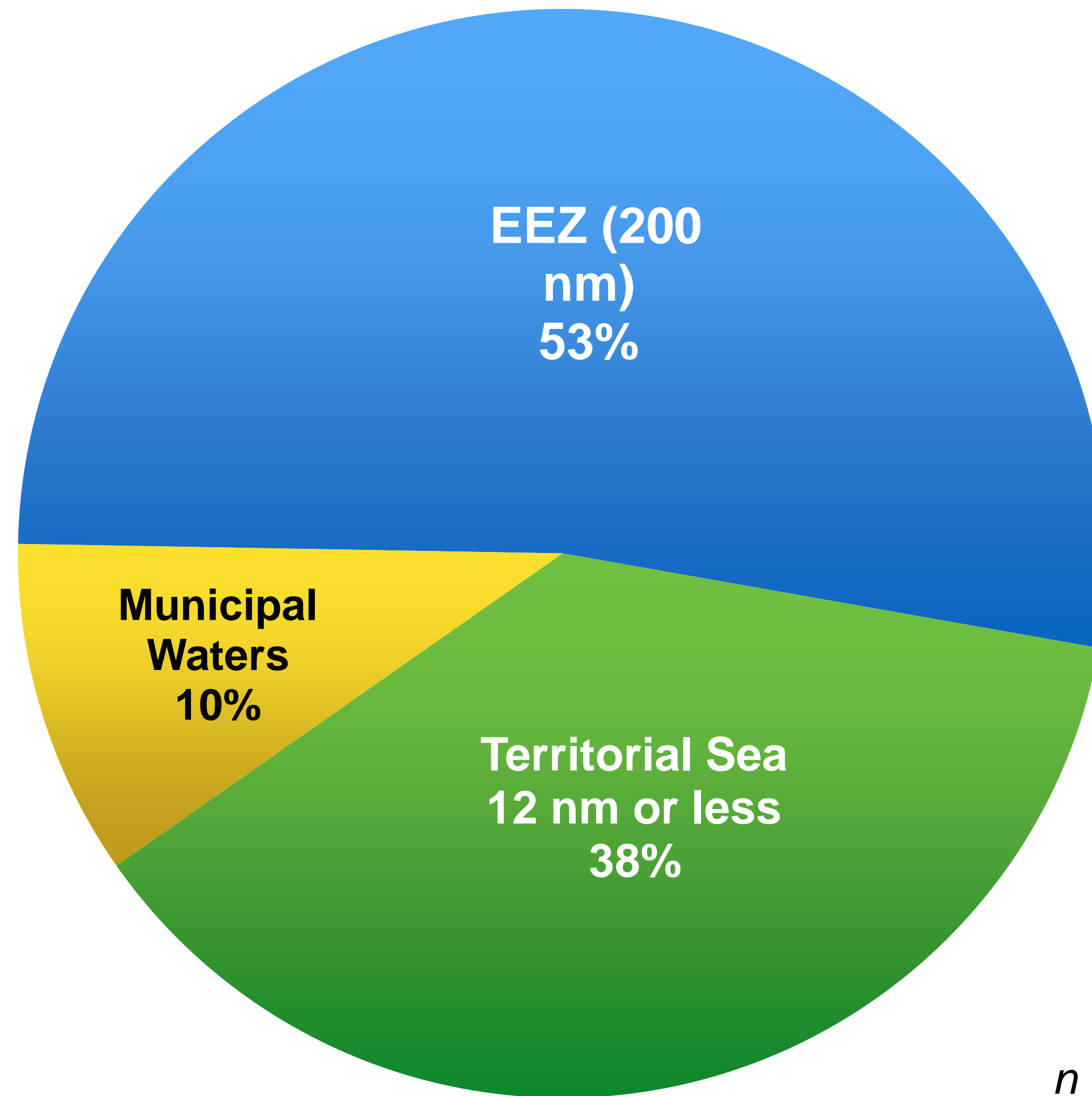


Examples of “Other” Drivers:

- *Comply with EU MSP Directive*
- *Transparency in decision making*
- *Trans-boundary planning advantages*


n = 64 MSP survey responses

Scale of Spatial Coverage of MSP Plans, 2017



n = about 40 plans


Norway




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Meld. St. 10 (2010–2011) Report to the Storting (white paper)

First update of the Integrated Management
Plan for the Marine Environment of the
Barents Sea–Lofoten Area




Barrents Sea
2006; 2011 revised




NORWEGIAN MINISTRY OF
THE ENVIRONMENT

Report No. 37 (2008–2009) to the Storting

Integrated Management of the Marine
Environment of the Norwegian Sea




Norwegian Sea
2009



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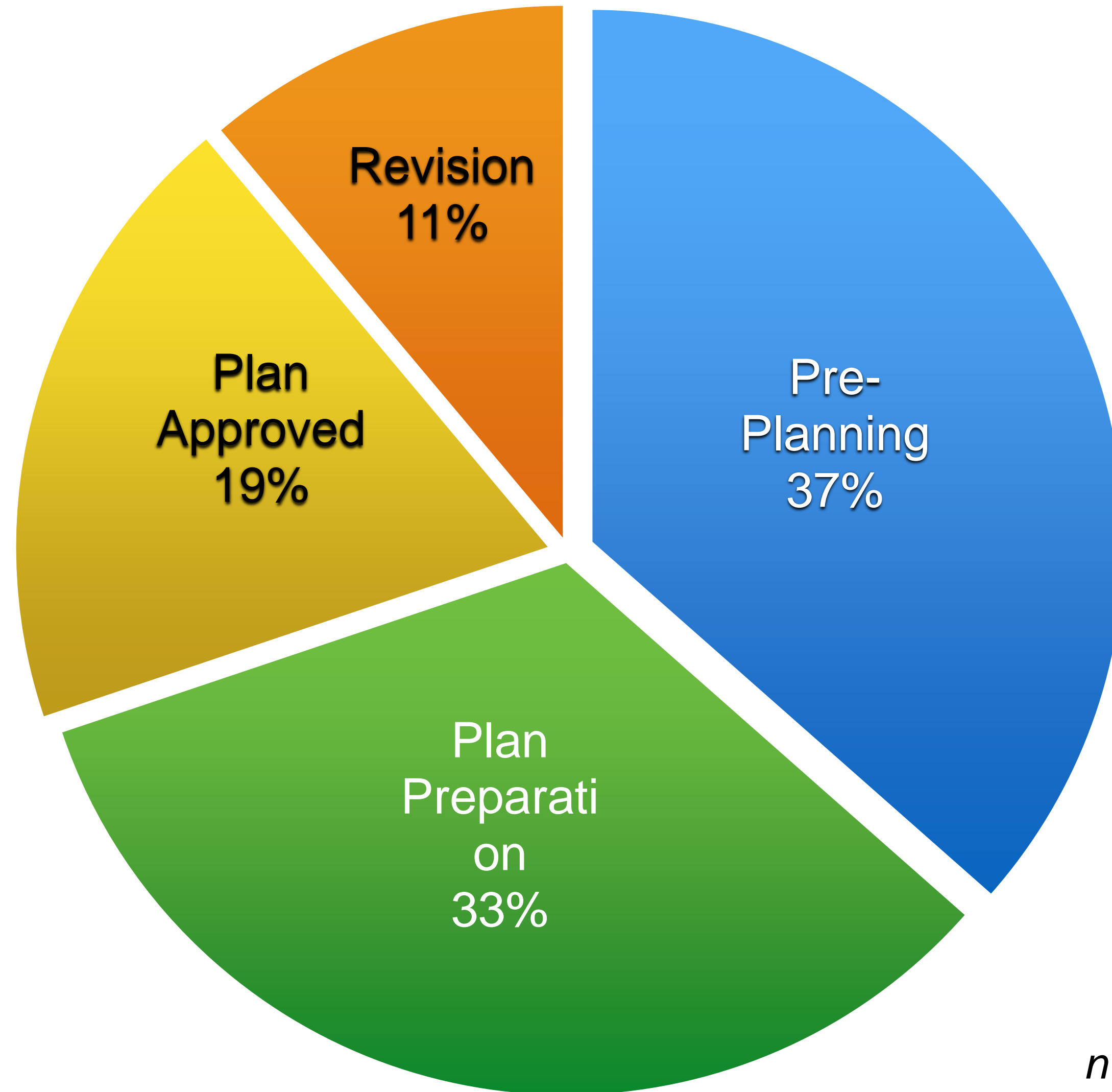
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Integrated Management
of the Marine Environment
of the North Sea and Skagerrak
(Management Plan)



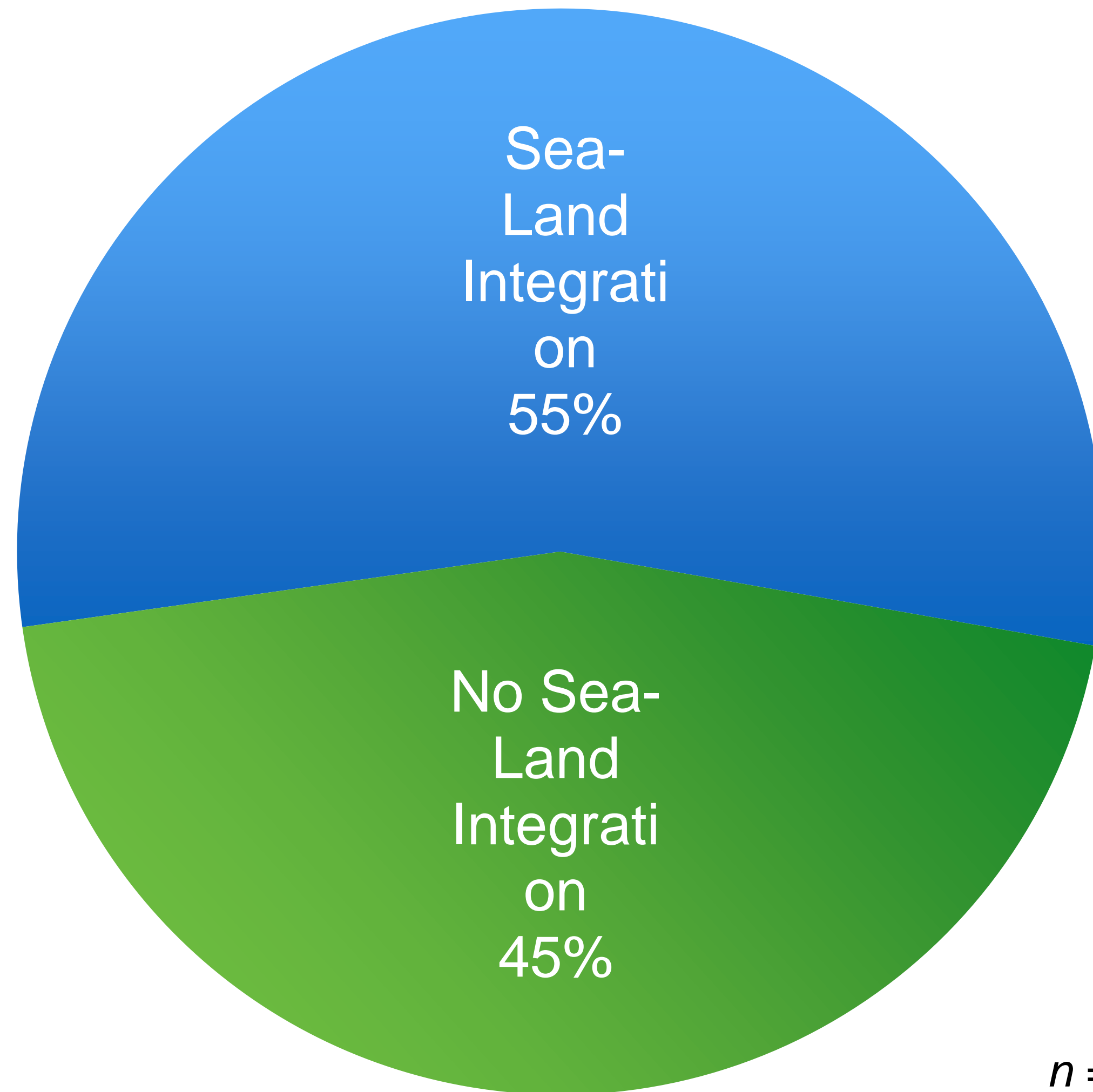
North Sea
2013

Stage of MSP Initiatives



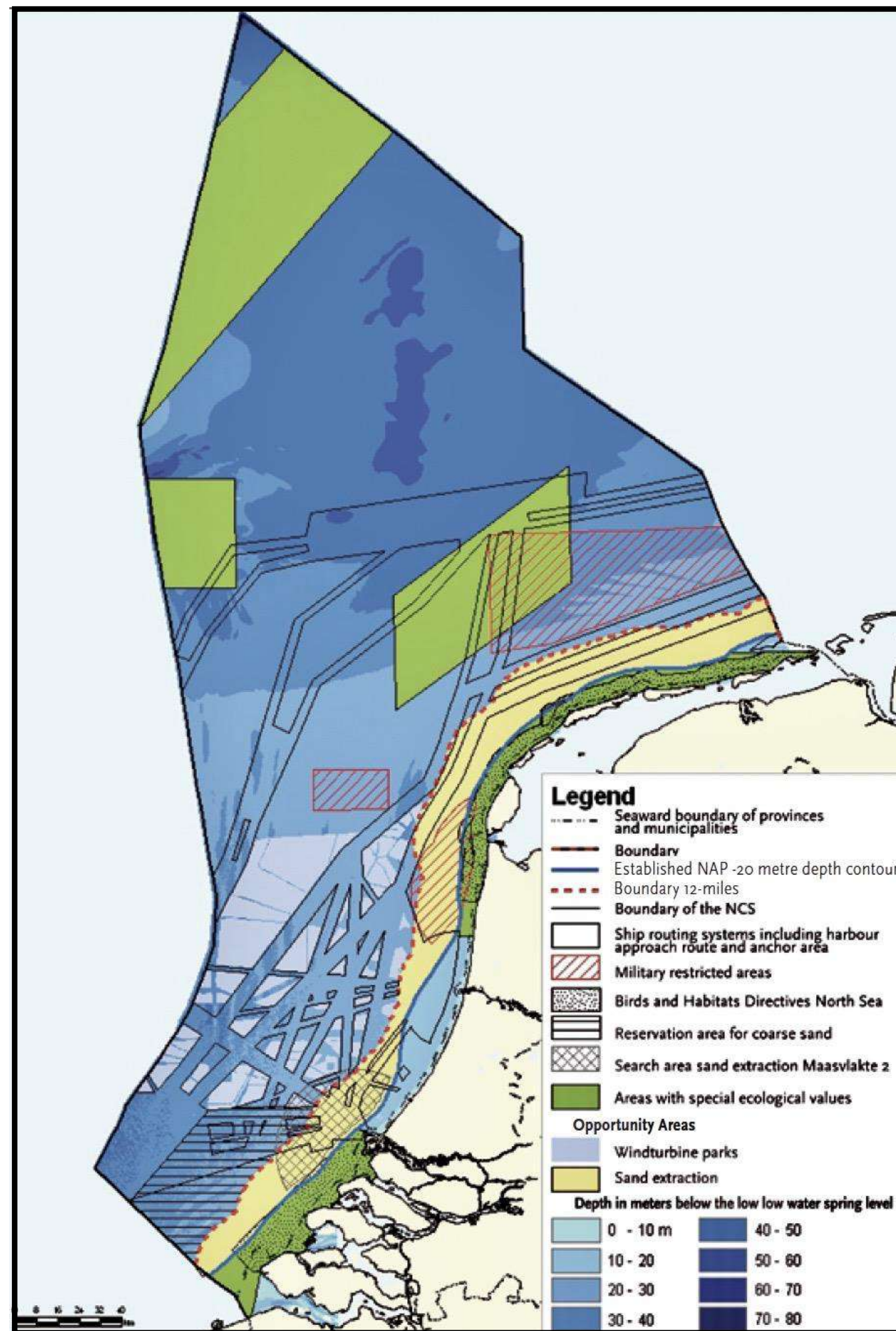
n = about 60 initiatives

Sea-Land Integration

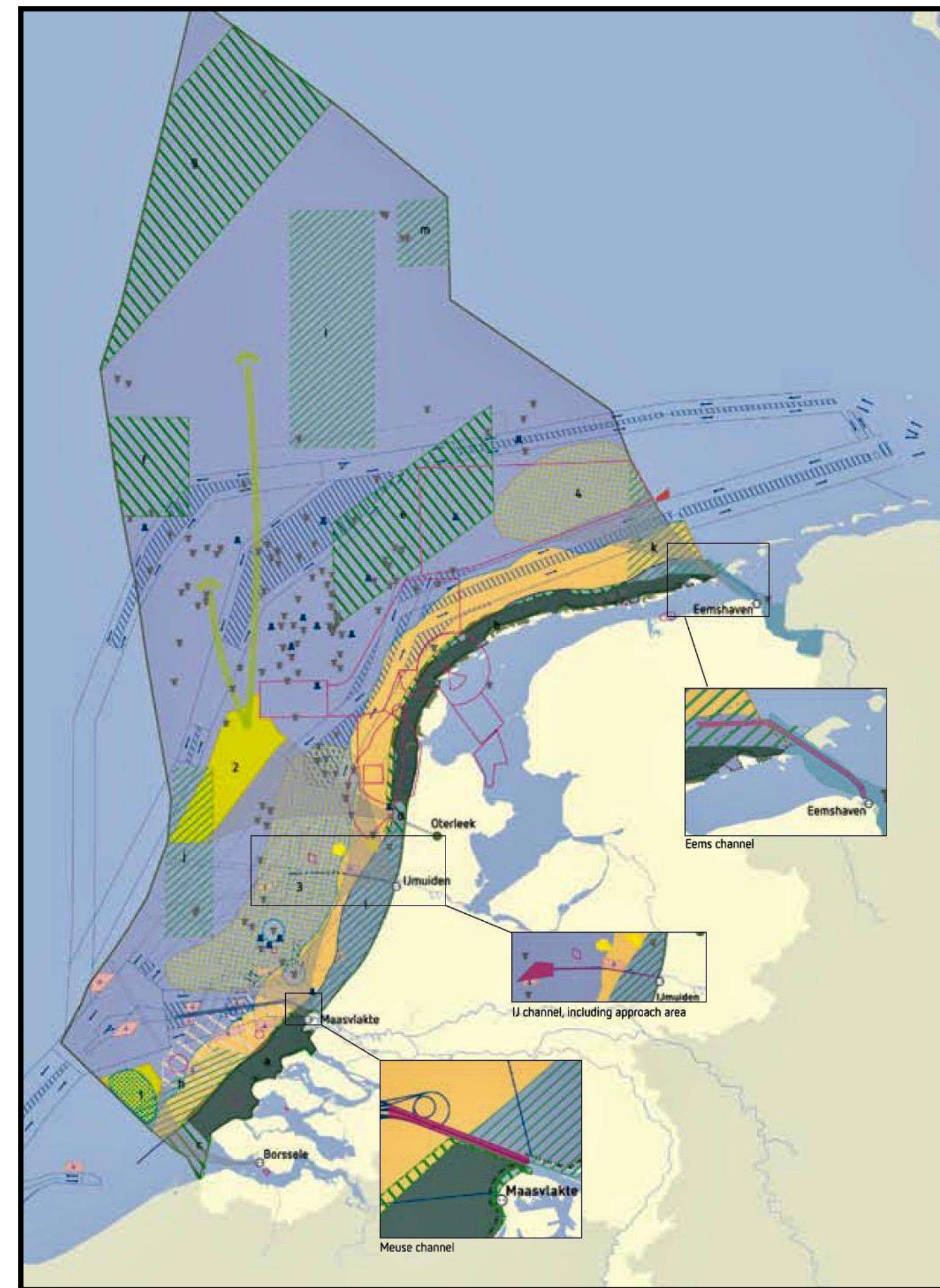


n = about 40 plans

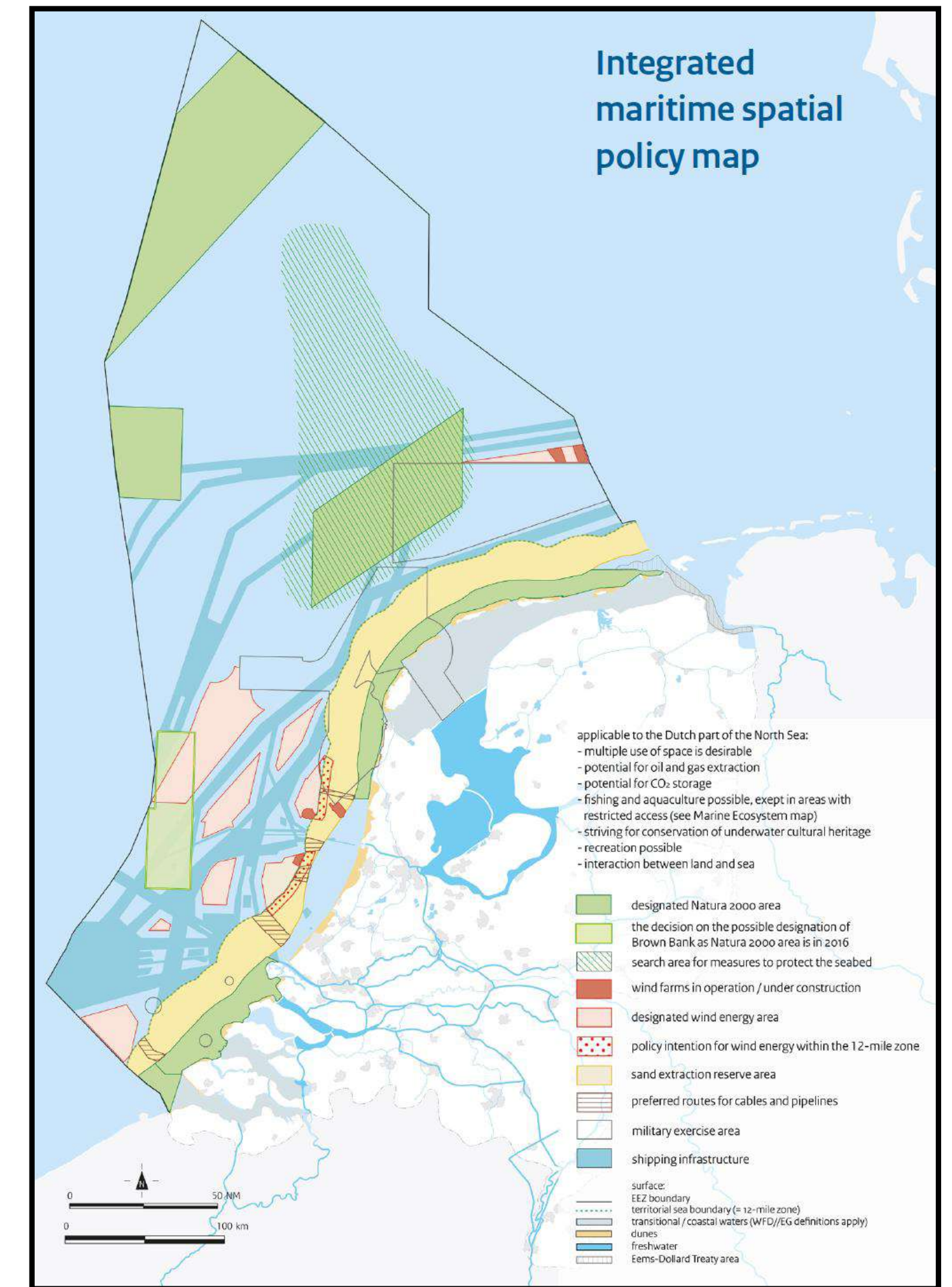
Continuing & Adaptive Management: The Netherlands 2005-2016



2005-2015

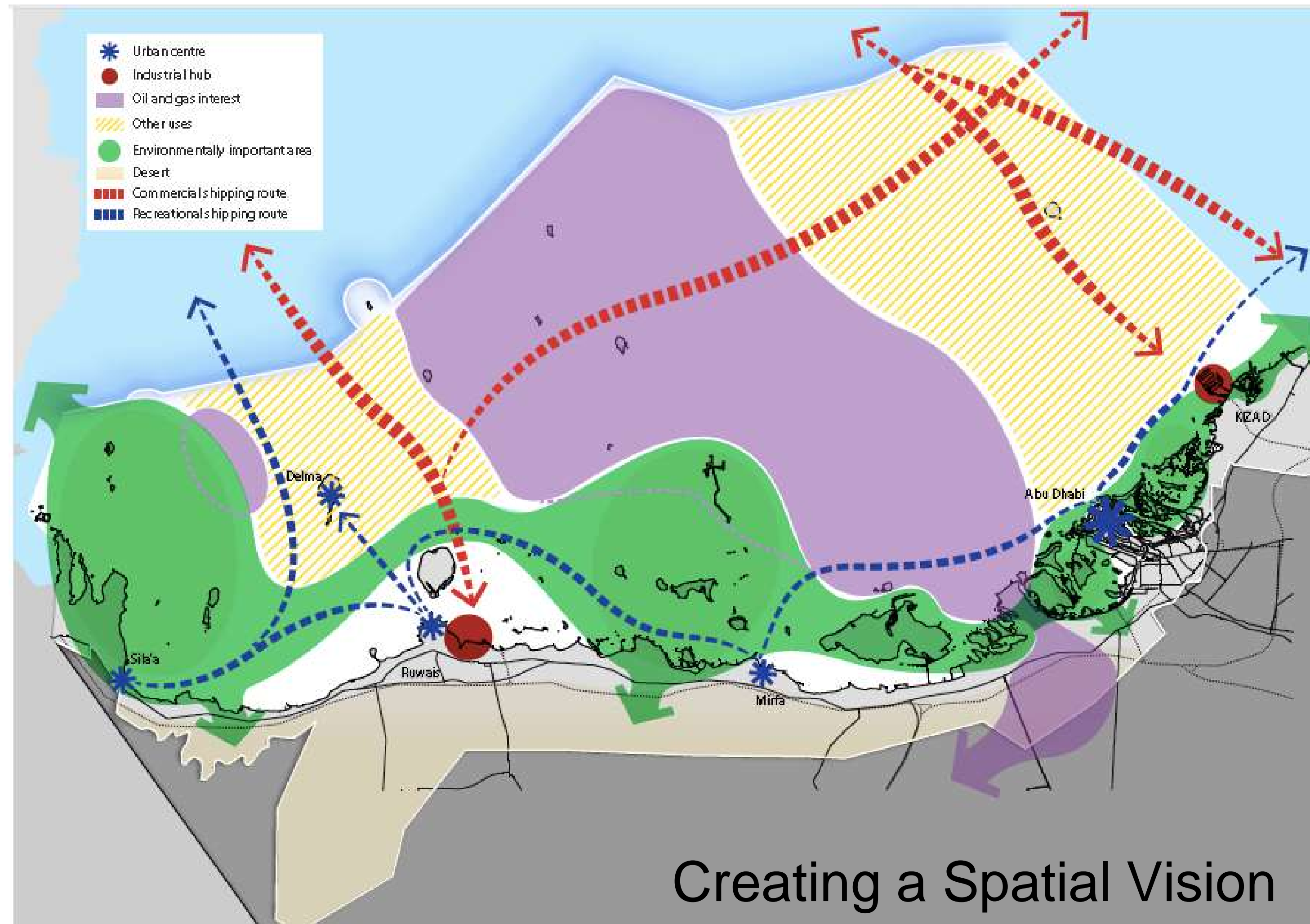


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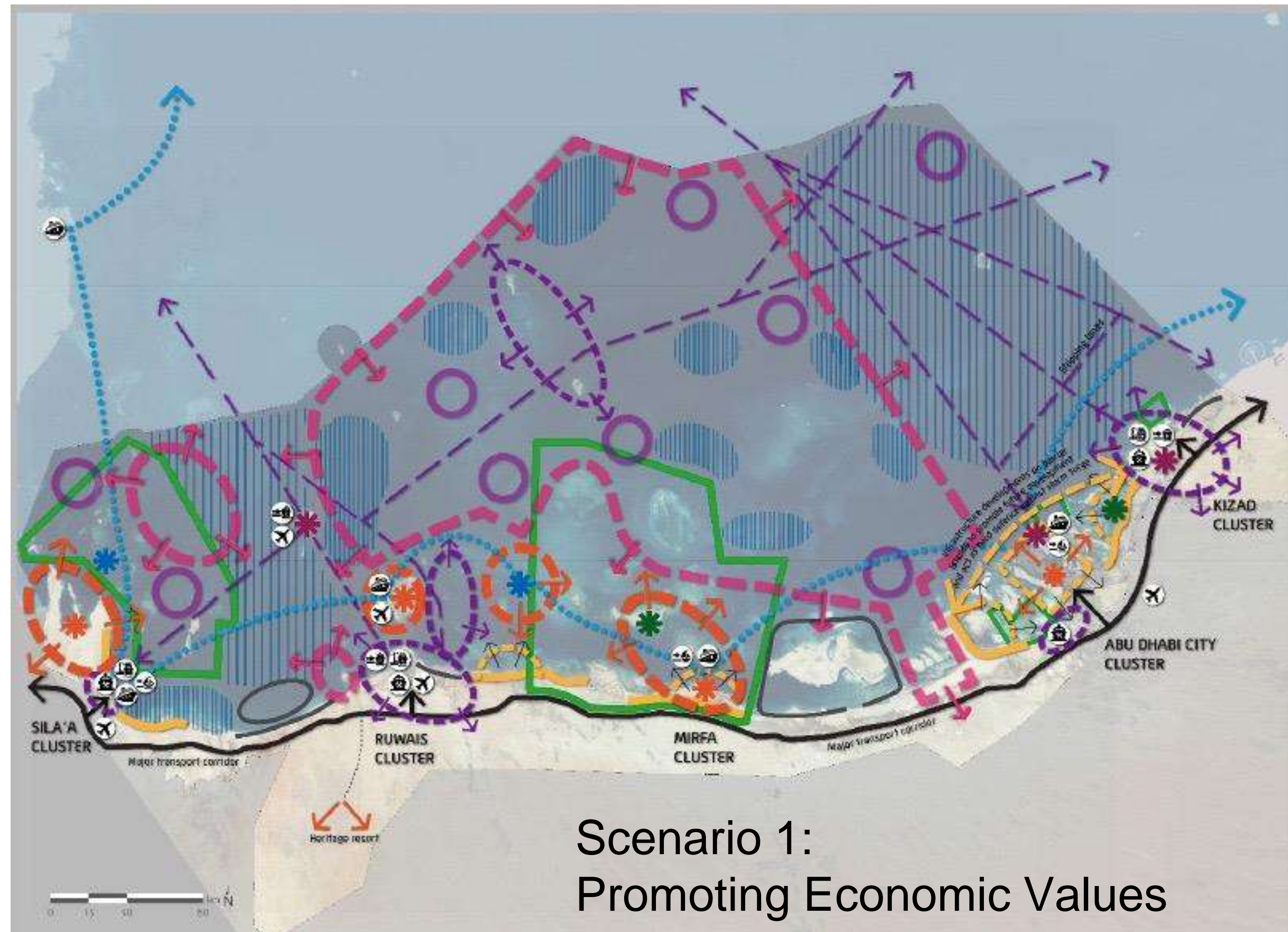


2016-2021

Creating a Spatial Vision: Abu Dhabi

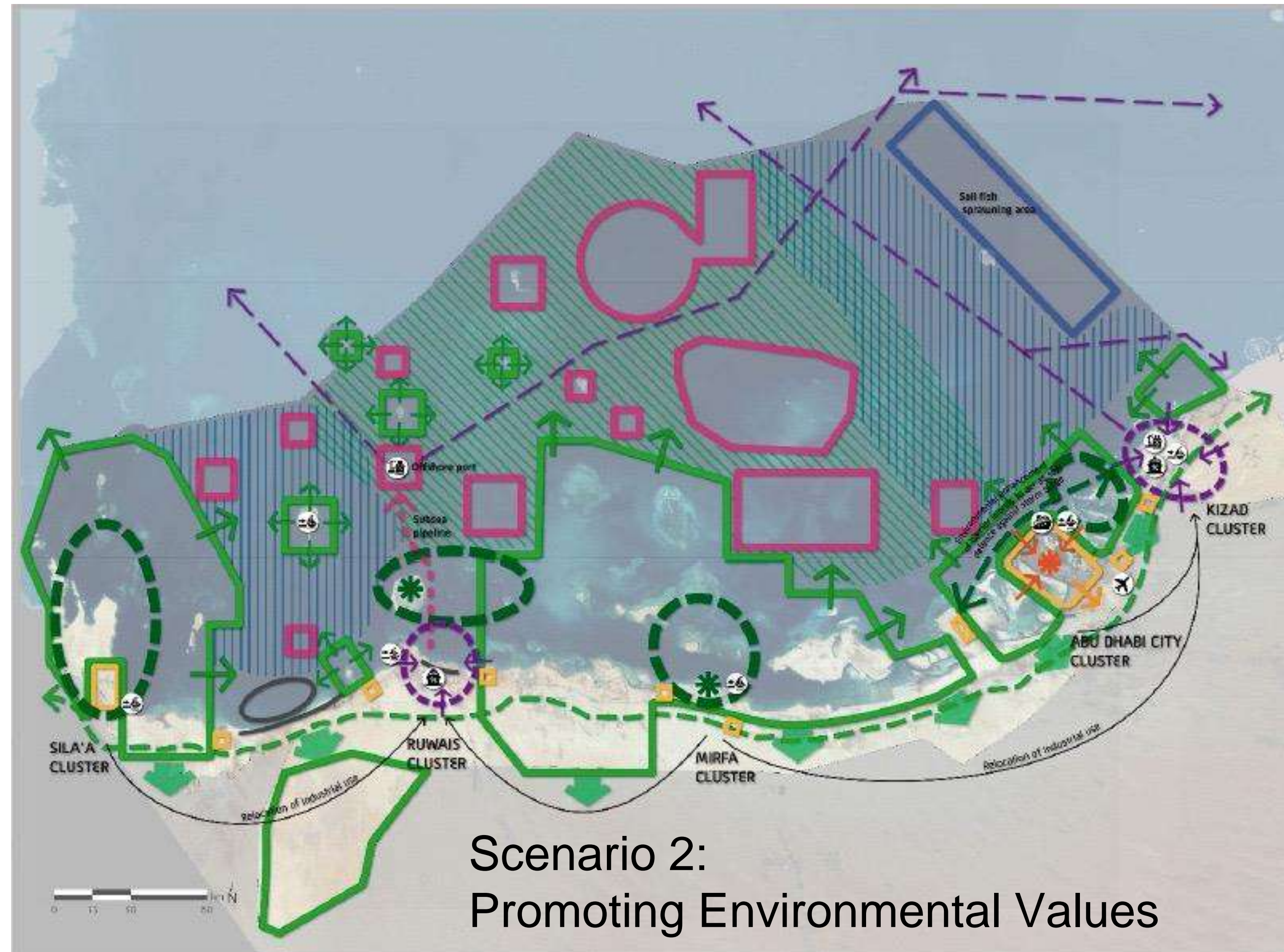


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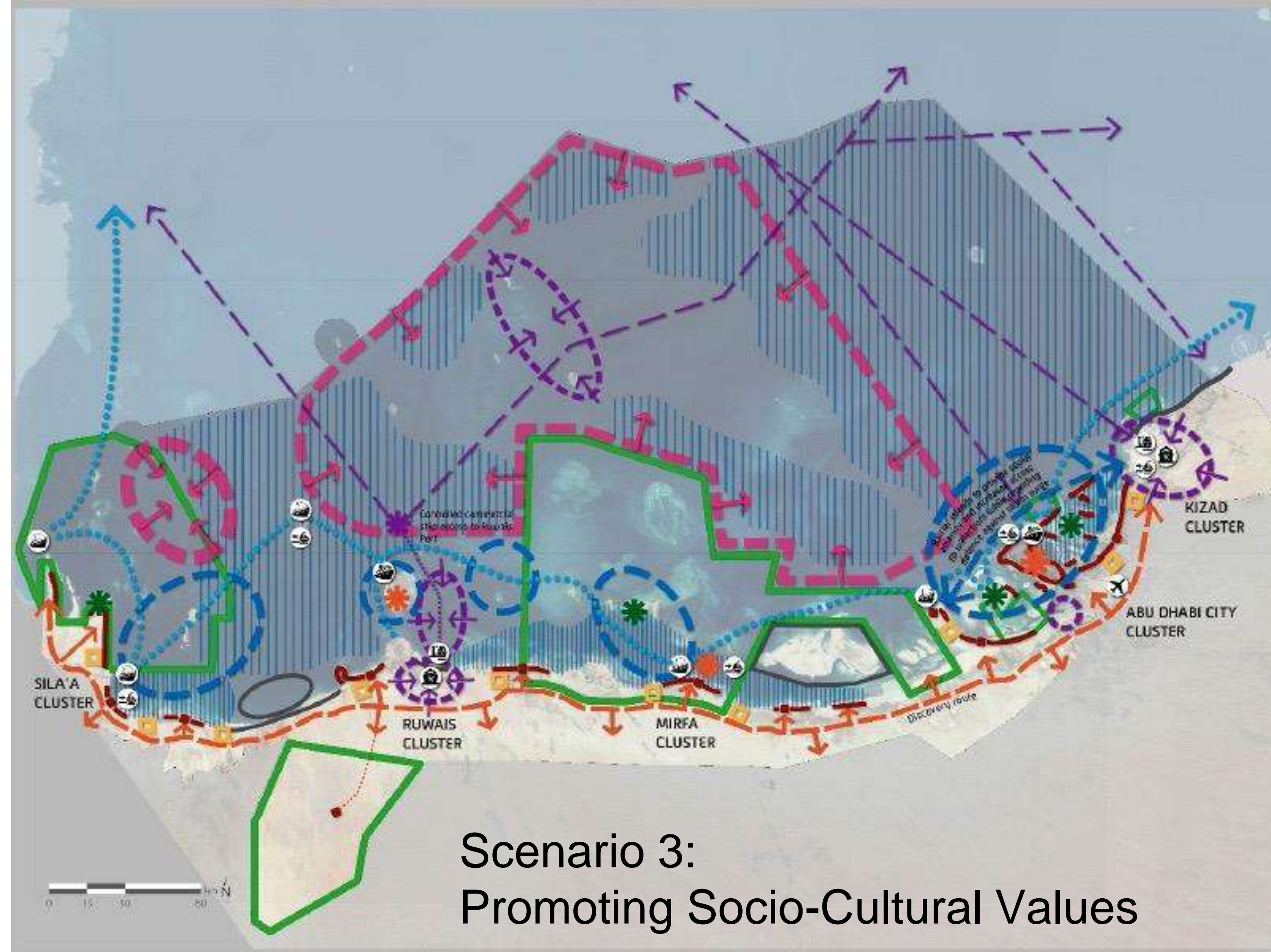
Scenario 1:
Promoting Economic Values

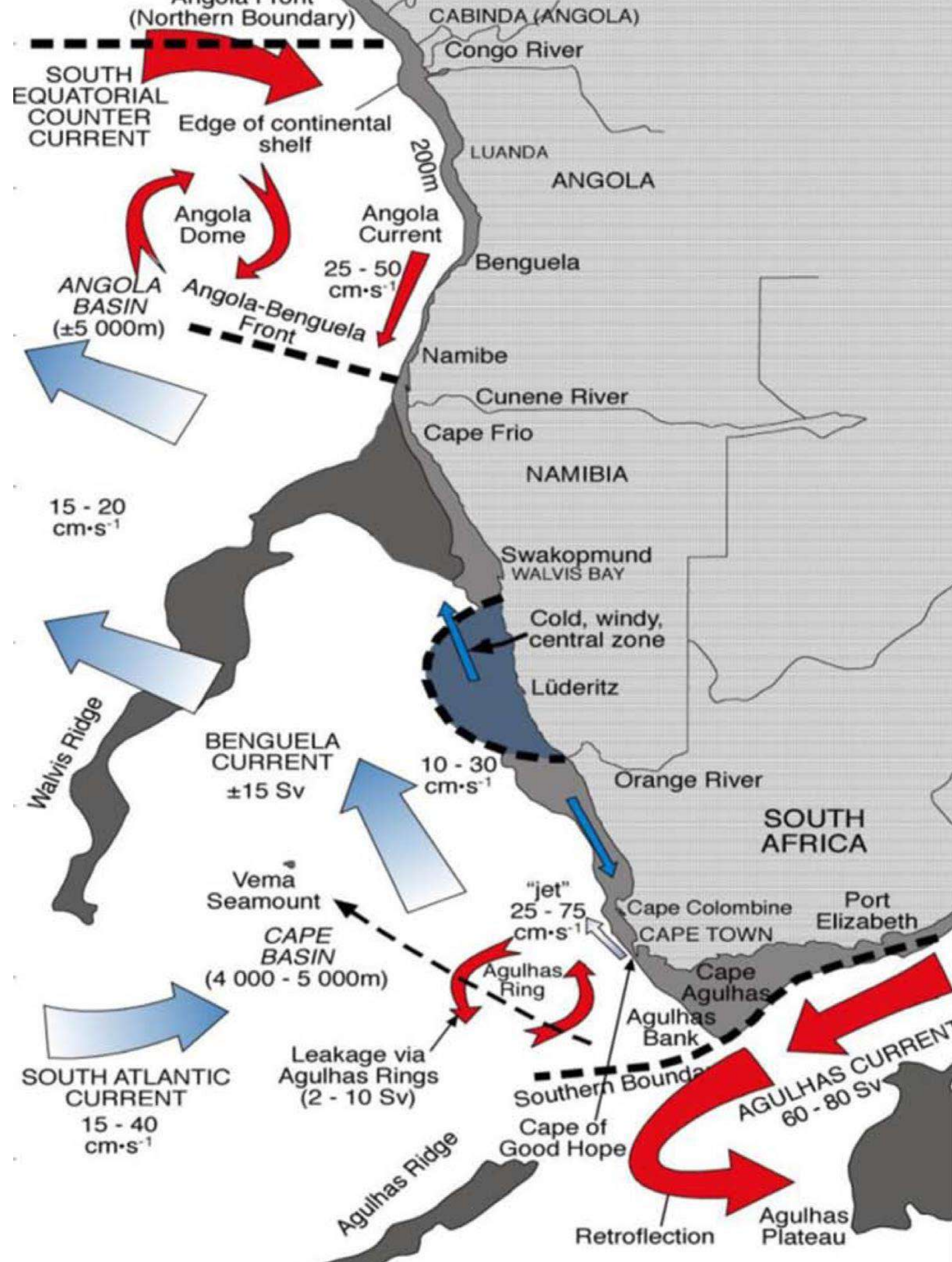
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Scenario 2:
Promoting Environmental Values

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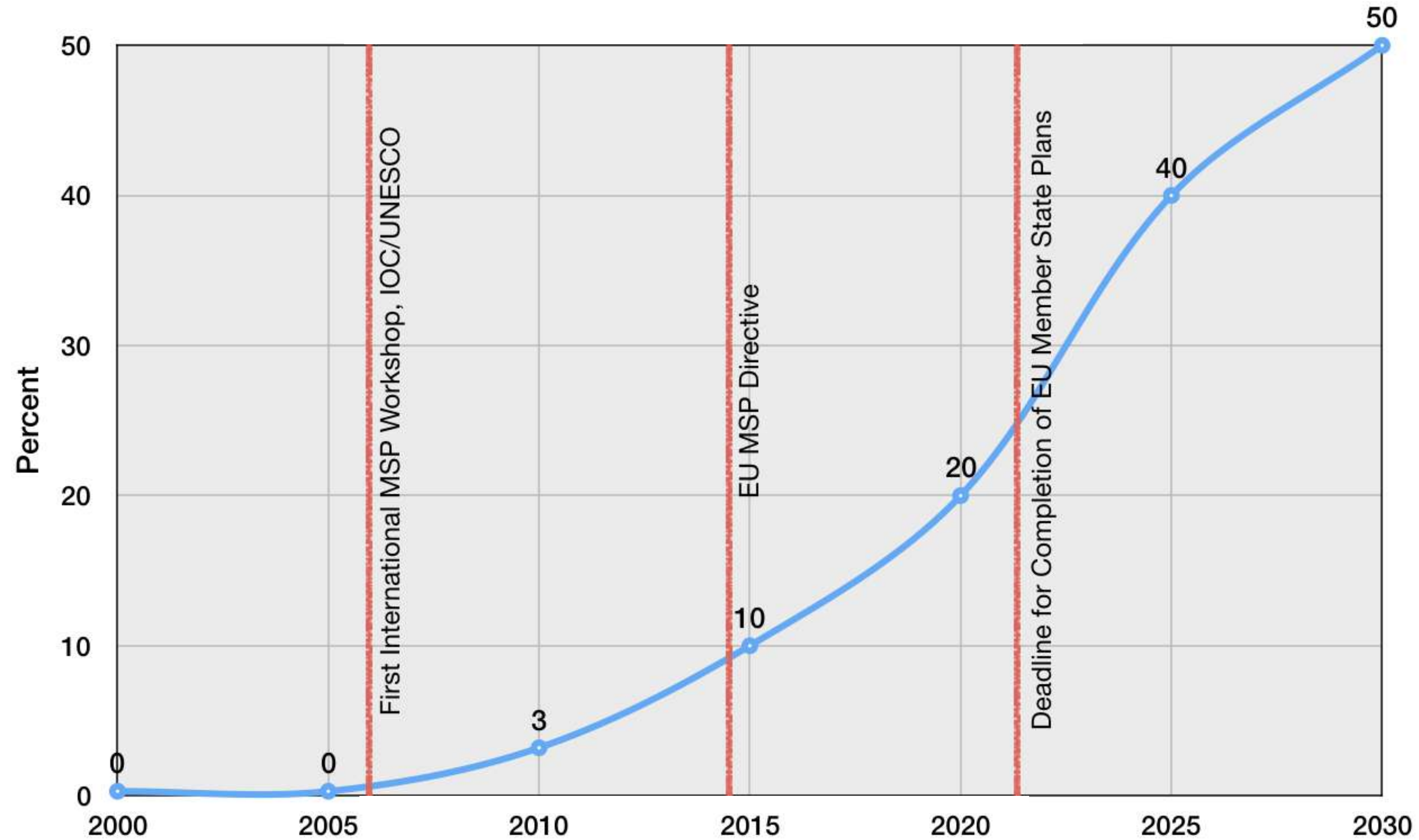




Ecosystem-Based Management Benguela Current LME

South Africa
Namibia
Angola

Percent of Surface Area of Exclusive Economic Zones of World Covered by Government-Approved Marine Spatial Plans



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A diver in a black wetsuit and mask is on the left, holding a white flexible hose. On the right, a yellow and black ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) is holding the other end of the hose. They are in a deep blue underwater environment. The ROV has a yellow helmet-like head and various mechanical arms and sensors. The diver's mask has a blue light on it.

Thank you

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