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Symposium on Large-Scale
and Archipelagic-Wide
Marine Ecosystem Management

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The Convention on Biological Diversity signed by over 150 government leaders set the target of protecting 10% of the world’s coastal and marine areas by 2020. Less than 1% of the world’s oceans are currently protected and in order to approach the 2020 goal, marine protected areas (MPAs) encompassing very large geographic regions will become increasingly important. Managing such large-scale MPAs entails a unique suite of challenges including the need for institutional collaboration, holistic and integrated science, the use of advanced technologies and meaningful public involvement. The Hawaiian Archipelago serves as an exemplary host to demonstrate the usefulness of science-management integration, and this interdisciplinary symposium seeks to highlight scientific and management achievements of archipelagic-wide marine managed areas. Further, this symposium aims to review the role of large-scale marine managed areas in ecosystem function by providing new details regarding scientific assessments and management practices in order to foster the sharing of knowledge. International participation will be encouraged; however, Oceania will be central in much of the dialogue given its vast marine resources and successful track record in large-scale marine managed areas.

For more information:

<http://www.papahanaumokuakea.gov/research/symposium2013.html>

