

Advances in the multidimensional valuation of ecosystem services

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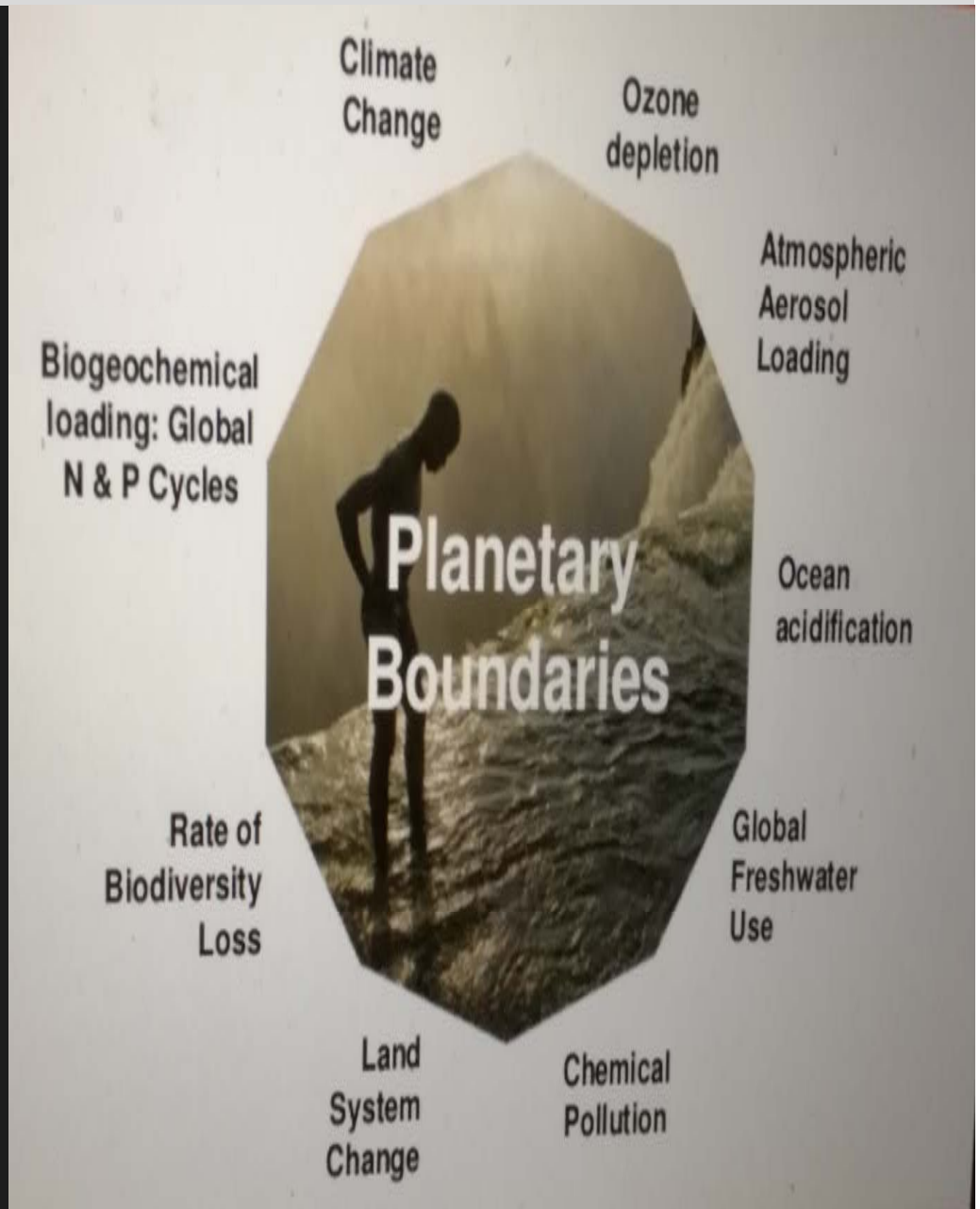
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Welcome to the Anthropocene



The role of ecosystem services for life on Earth and Human being

Carry out 50% primary production Earth

Supply 20% average intake animal protein to 3.1 billion people

Support the greatest biodiversity on the Planet

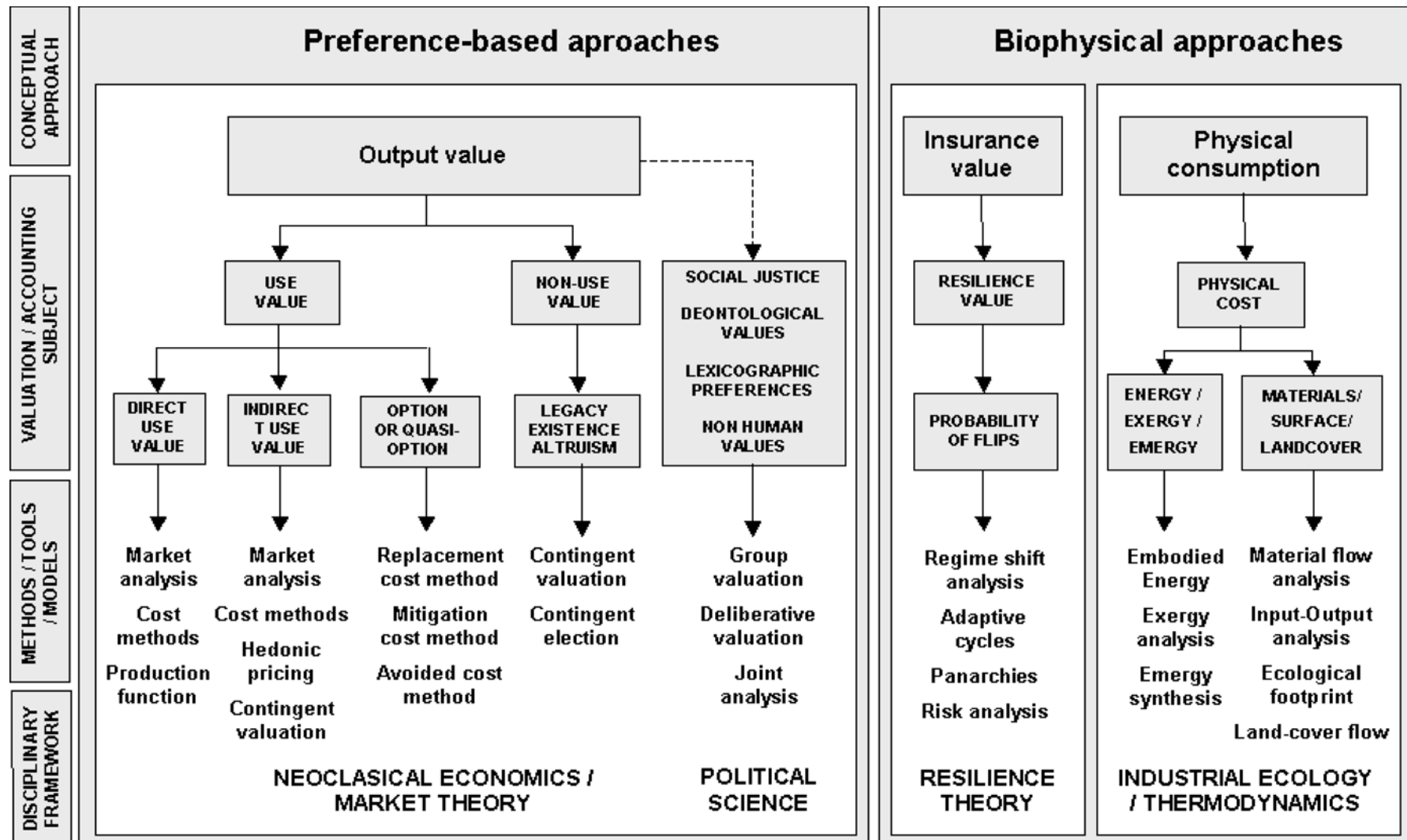


Why *valuing* nature is key for policy makers?

Valuing ES and incorporating those values into decision-making processes will help in:

- Evaluating the impacts of development policies and policy interventions;
- Comparing the real cost-effectiveness of an investment;
- Evaluating trade-offs between different management options and choosing between competing uses;
- Assessing liability for damage to the environment;
- Creating markets for ES in order to mobilize financial resources, e.g., global carbon market and PES; and
- Awareness building and communication to the public on the overall contribution of ES to social and economic well-being

Value paradigms: preference-based and biophysical methods?

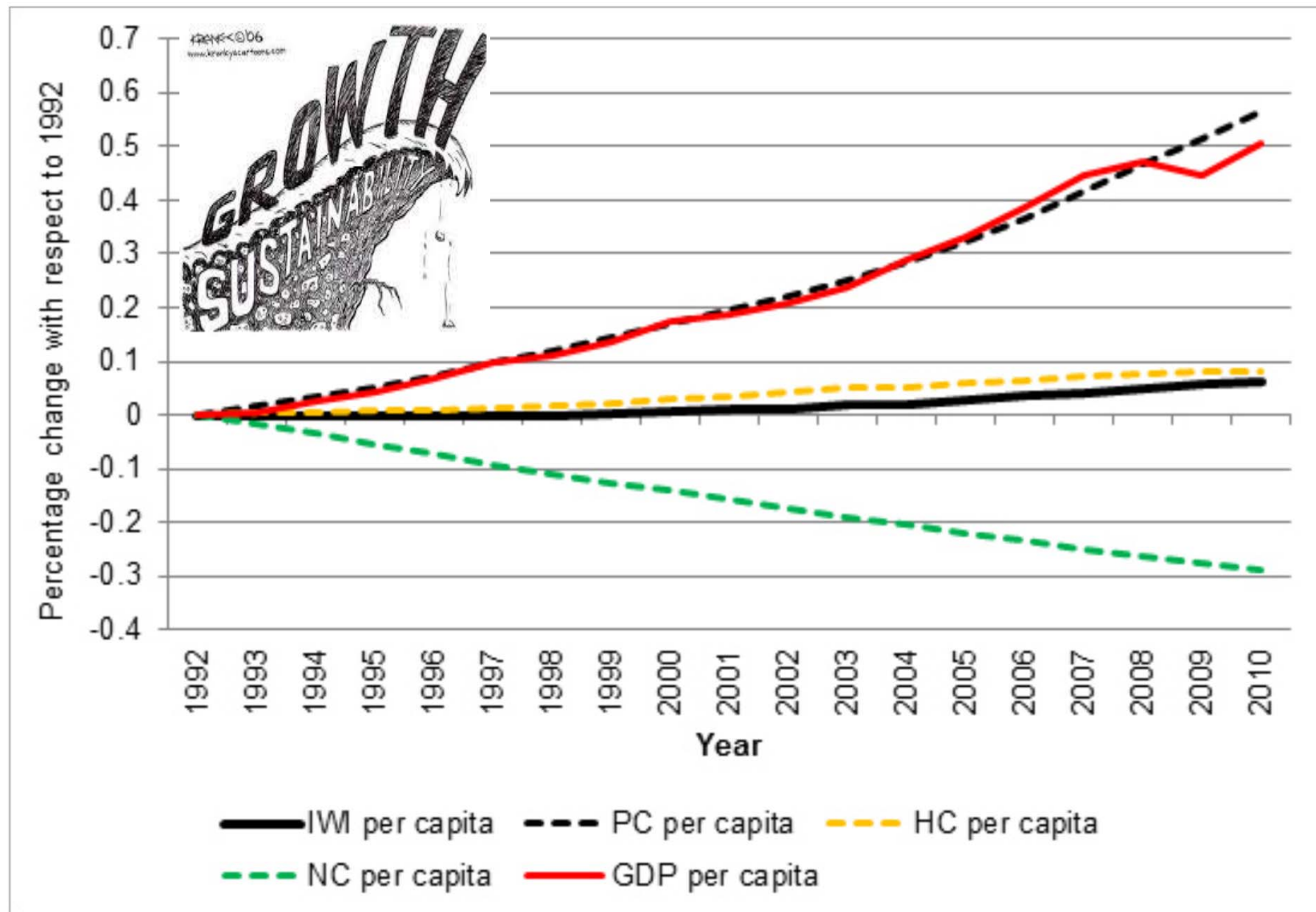


Marine systems experience an economic loss of \$10.9 trillions/year

Biome	Area (e6ha)		Aggregate global flow value (trillions 2007\$/yr)	
	1997	2011	1997	2011
Marine	36,202	36,202	60.5	49.7
Open ocean	33,2	33,2	21.9	21.9
<i>Coastal</i>	<i>3,102</i>	<i>3,102</i>	<i>38.6</i>	<i>27.7</i>
<i>Estuaries</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>5.2</i>
<i>Seagreass/algae beds</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>234</i>	<i>5.8</i>	<i>6.8</i>
<i>Coral reefs</i>	<i>62</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>21.7</i>	<i>9.9</i>
Shelf	2,66	2,66	5.9	5.9
Terrestrial	15,323	15,323	84.5	75.1
World	51,625	51,625	145.0	124.8

Costanza, R. et al. (2014) Global Environmental Change 26: 152-158.

Why do we need to *value* nature?



Human benefits from Nature

Health benefits of nature contact



REDUCED STRESS



IMPROVED SLEEP



REDUCED ANXIETY & DEPRESSION



GREATER HAPPINESS



REDUCED AGGRESSION



PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOR



REDUCED ADHD SYMPTOMS



PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



LOWER BLOOD PRESSURE



FASTER POST-OP RECOVERY



IMPROVED BIRTH OUTCOMES



PAIN CONTROL



LESS OBESITY



LESS DIABETES



BETTER EYESIGHT



+/- ASTHMA IMPACTS



IMPROVED HEALTH IN CANCER PATIENTS



IMPROVED GENERAL HEALTH



LONGER LIVES

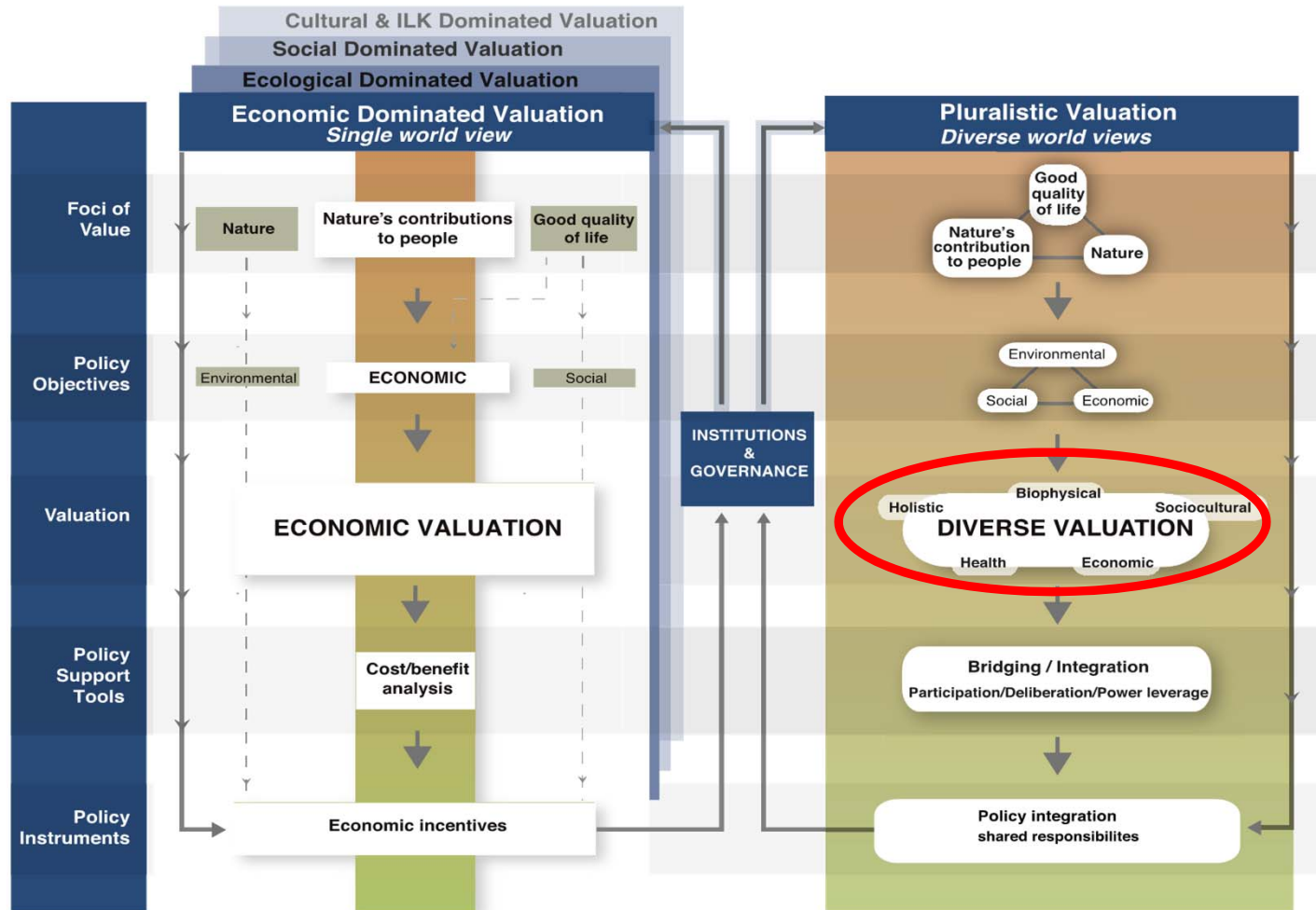
Current challenges: Multidimensional valuation of ES

BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEMS

Assessing nature's contributions to people

Recognizing culture, and diverse sources of knowledge, can improve assessments

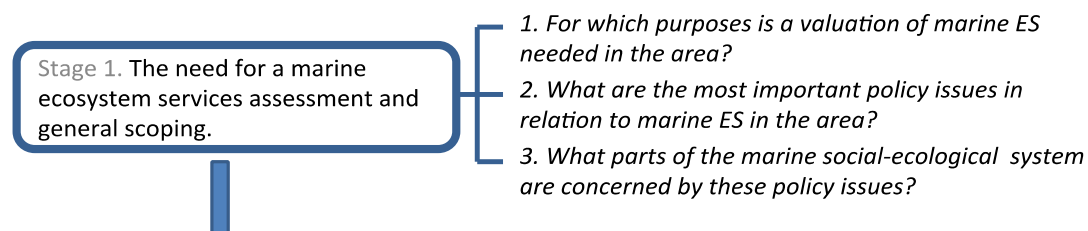
IPBES: Not just commodities!



Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability

Pascual et al. 2017

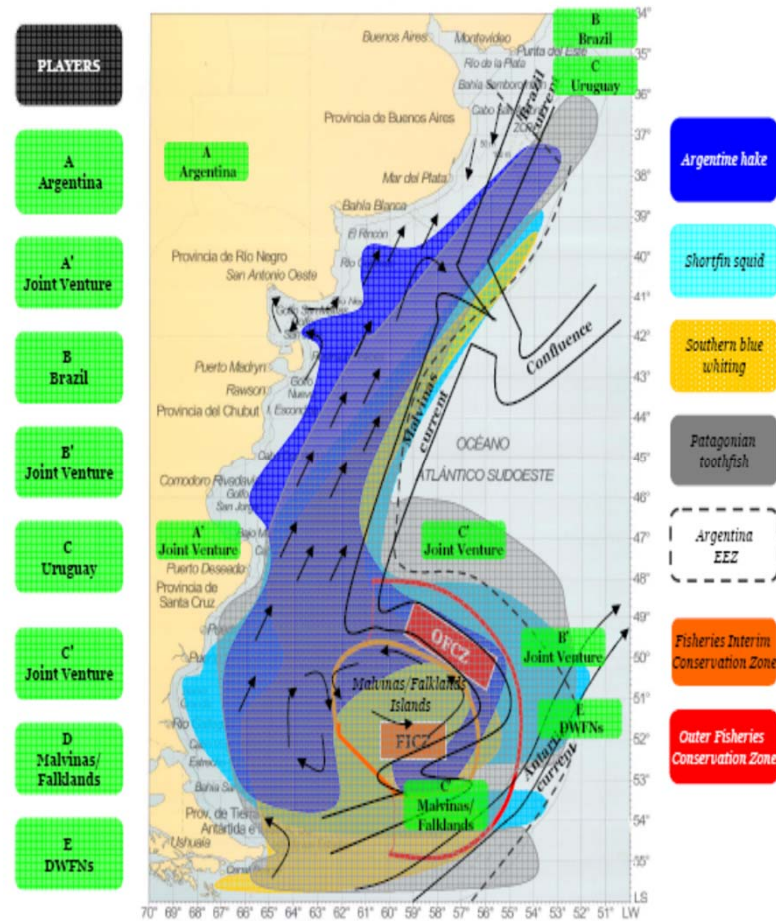
The Triage Approach



Pendleton L., R. Mongruel, N.Beaumont, T. Hooper, M. Charles. A Triage Approach to Improve the Relevance of Marine Ecosystem Services Assessments. *Marine Ecology Progress Series (MEPS)* 530:183-193. 2015

1) Assessment of provisioning and recreational ES

- Economic valuation and restoration of ecosystem services
- Game theory, public policies and management tools (industrial fisheries, tourism)

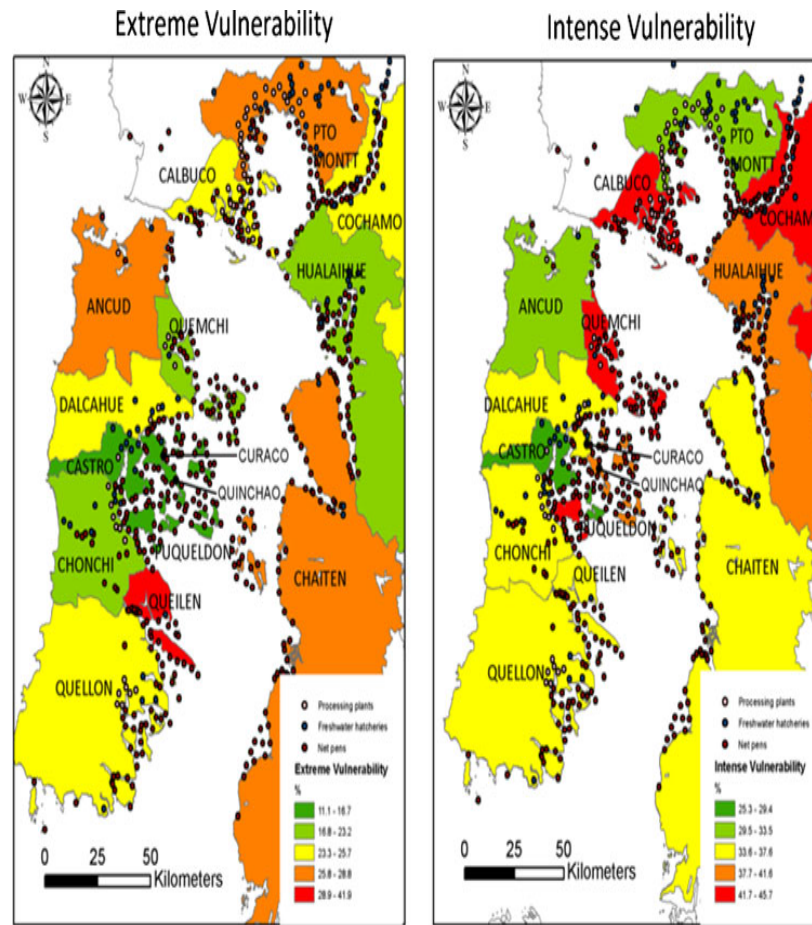


Villasante et al. 2014. In Maskin, Barret, Mäler. Oxford University Press.

Stefanski-Villasante. 2015. Ecosystem services.

2) Mapping spatial patterns of synergies and trade-offs

- Synergies and trade-offs between ES (fisheries, aquaculture, ecotourism)
- Scenario development for public policies (SSF, aboriginal communities, industrial fisheries)



Outeiro-Villasante. 2013. AMBIO.

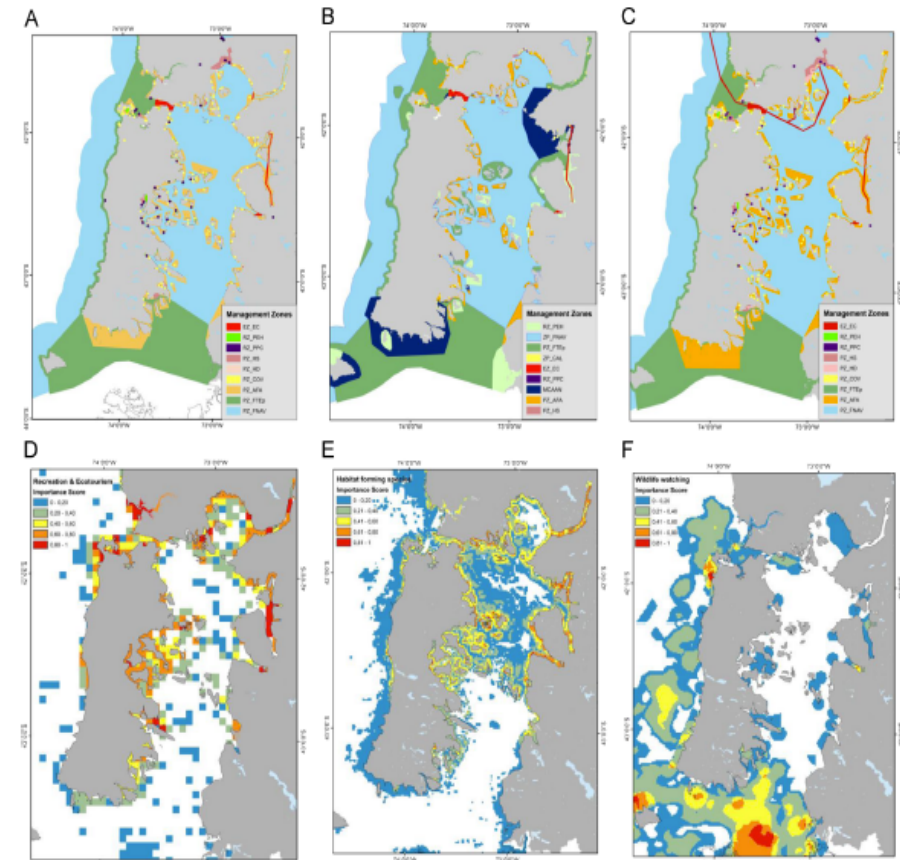


Fig. 5. Management areas for the scenario under analysis and the spatial distribution of the ecosystem services: (a) management zoning for the current scenario, (b) management zoning for the environmental conservation-indigenous development scenario, (c) management zoning for the industrial development scenario, (d) spatial distribution of the recreation and ecotourism, (e) spatial distribution of the habitat forming species, and (f) spatial distribution of the wildlife watching. Source: own elaboration from InVEST overlap marine model.

Outeiro-Villasante. 2015. Ecosystem Services.

3) Co-design of plausible future scenarios

- “*Escape from the past – avoid non-desirable future*”
- Tipology of scenarios
 - Global – support from *policy-makers*, slow implementation
 - Participative – tension actors, data monitoring
 - Radical – *Anthropocene, Biosphere*
- Participatory scenarios
 - ES spatial quantification/mapping
 - Participatory assessment
 - Co-designing with stakeholders

- Hanapach, J. et al. (2015) Ecology and Society
- Nieto-Romero, M. et al. (2016) Land Use Policy



1 NO POVERTY



2 ZERO HUNGER



3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY EDUCATION



5 GENDER EQUALITY




6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



THE GLOBAL GOALS
For Sustainable Development

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



13 CLIMATE ACTION



14 LIFE BELOW WATER



15 LIFE ON LAND



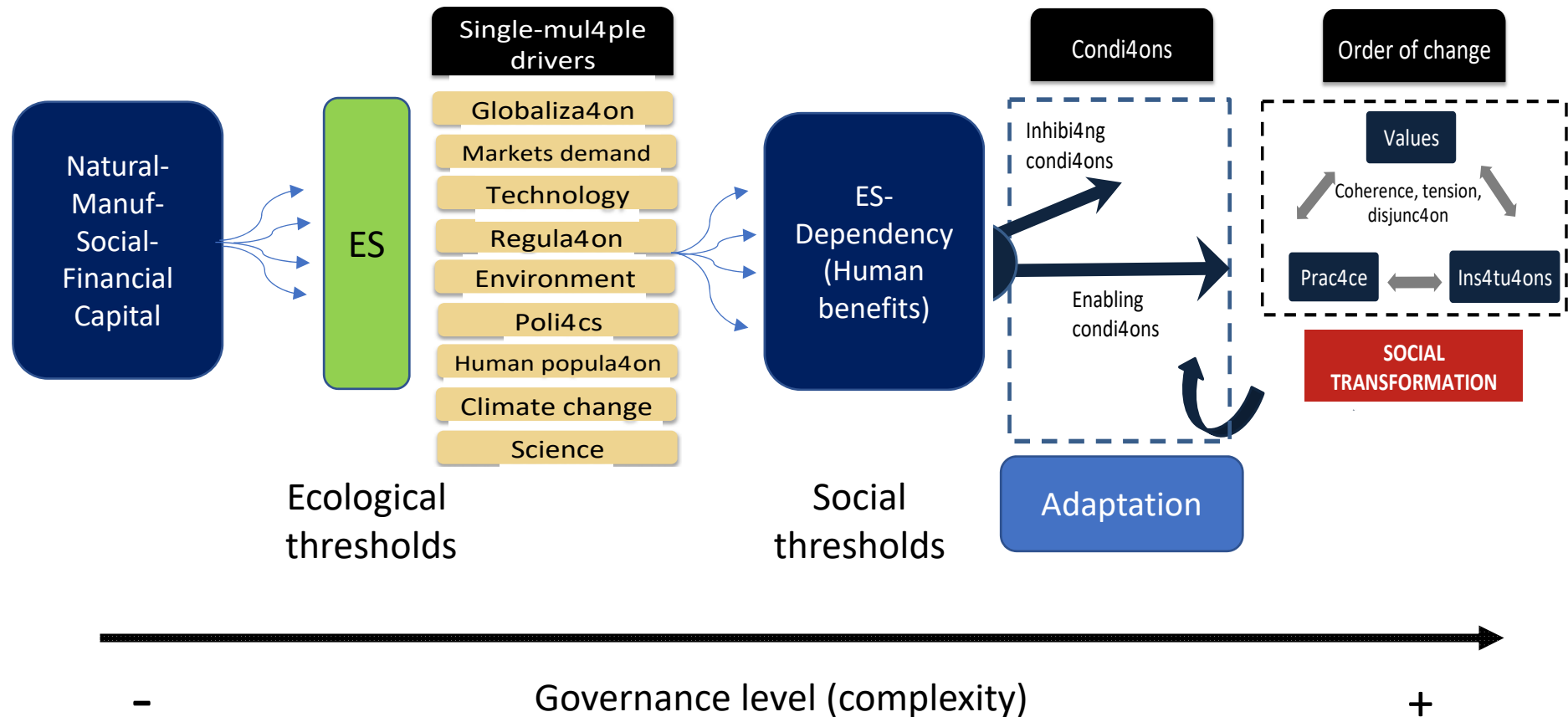
16 PEACE AND JUSTICE STRONG INSTITUTIONS



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



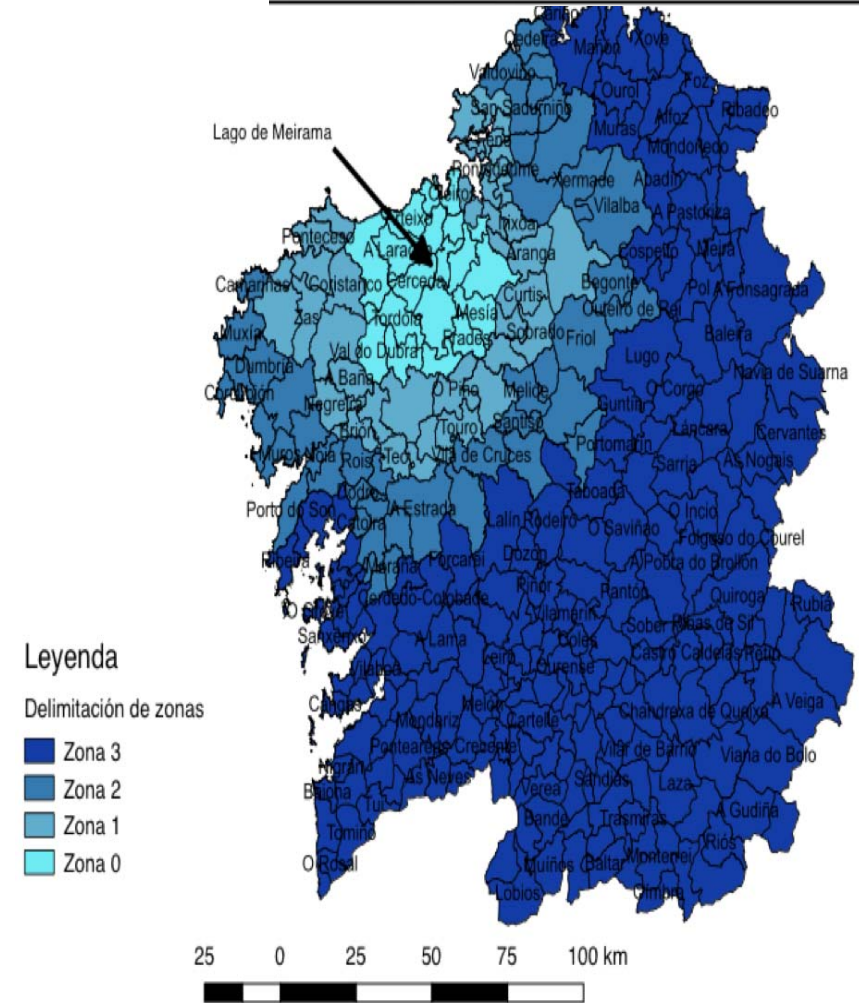
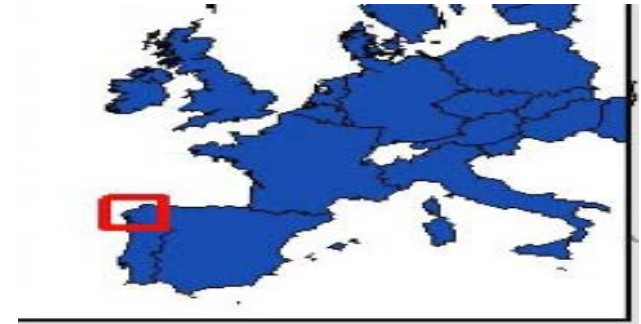
Multidimensional valuation and social transformations of ES



What we mean by a social transformation?

- **Differentiating concepts from social sciences:**
 1. **Adaptation:** reflects the capacity of a system to adjust its responses to change in external drivers and internal processes (change on “*prac2ces*”),
 2. **Transformation:** a fundamental shift in the institutional dimension and patterns of practices through time (change on “*prac2ces*” and “*ins2tu2ons/governance*”),
 3. **Social innovation:** can be transformative or not, but implies a social change.

Case 1) Meirama's Lake - Galicia (NW Spain)



Villasante, S. et al. (2018).

Case 1) Travel cost method willingness to visit Meirama's Lake - Galicia (NW Spain)

Concept	Value (€)
Value of recreational uses of the Meiramas' Lake (Travel Cost Method)	176,827,253
Willingness to pay for preferred activities	59,766,945
Willingness to pay for other ecosystem services (conservation of biodiversity, climate regulation, etc.)	17,828,969
Value of recreational uses	254,423,167
Value of water as stock flow	123.413.707
Scenario 1: 14.5 hm ³ /year	20,950,735
Scenario 2: 24.5 hm ³ /year	29,407,119
Total value of recreational - water uses and ecosystem services	
Scenario 1: 14.5 hm ³ /year	398,787,611
Scenario 2: 24.5 hm ³ /year	407,243,996

Villasante, S. et al. (2018)

Case 2) Cíes Natural Park – Natura 2000 Network - MAES in Galicia (NW Spain)

- Integrated assessment of marine SE
 - Target: double natural capital 2050
 - Cartography of habitats 92/43/CE
 - Identification of marine ES
 - Selection of economic activities
- Repository of available information
- Co-design with stakeholders:
 - 1 Workshop (2 pilot case studies)
 - Presentation of the project
 - Map of pressures
 - Map of synergies and trade-offs
 - Synthesis of current scientific evidence
 - Questionnaires to collect complementary (lacking) information



Literature review and repository of existing evidence

“Global literature review of marine ES in protected areas”

Network Core

Central position

Topics common to a large number of papers

Valuation & society + MPAs & positive effects + services

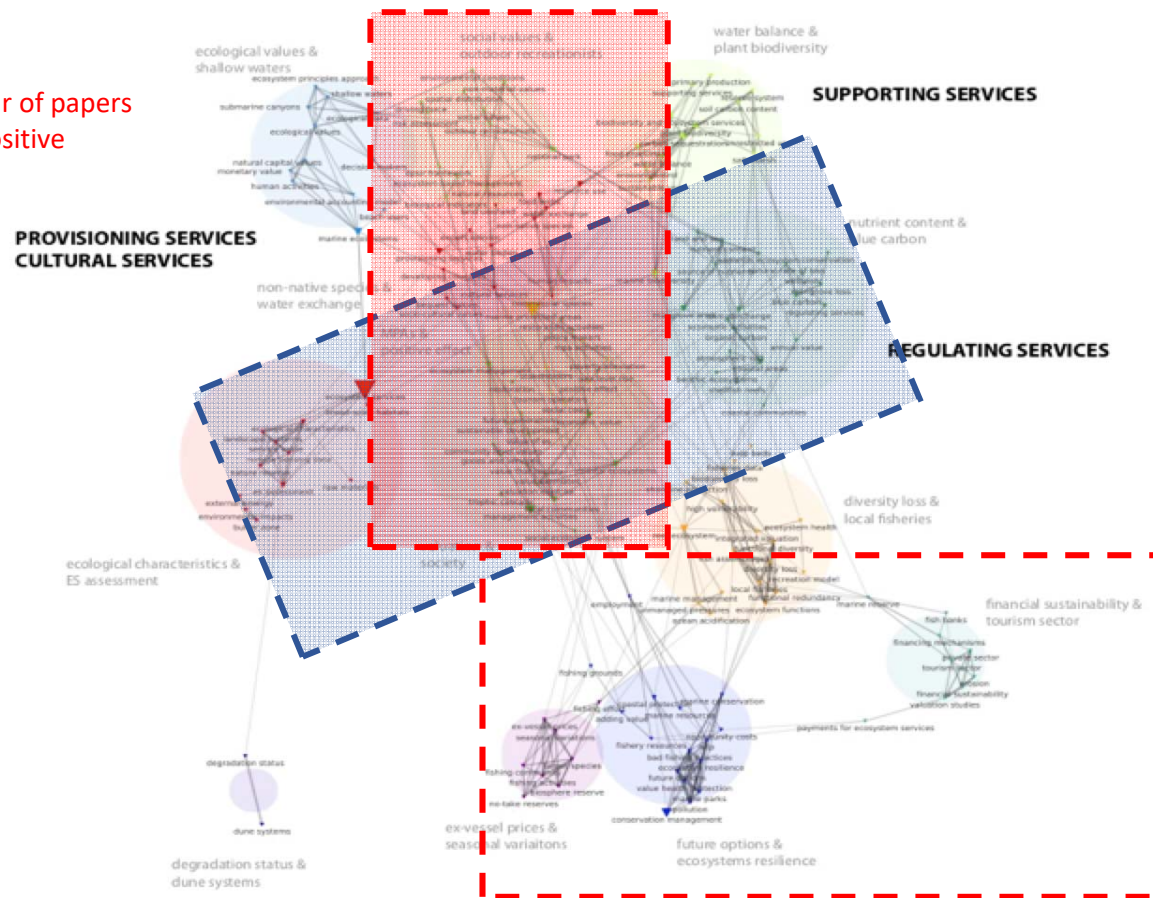
Topics more frequent in the network

Valuation & society + MPAs & positive effects

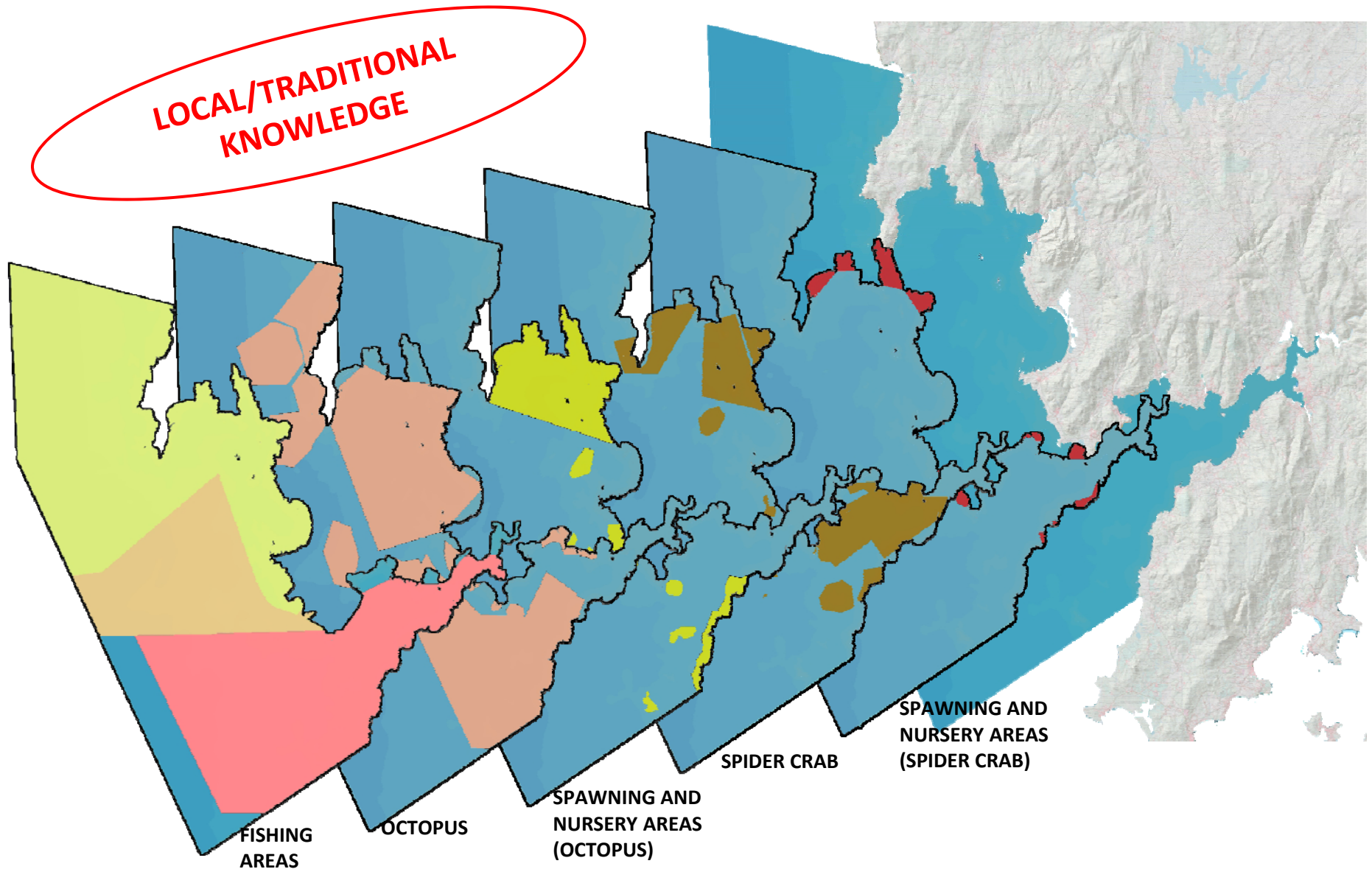
Satellite clusters

Knowledge gaps ?

Recent topics?

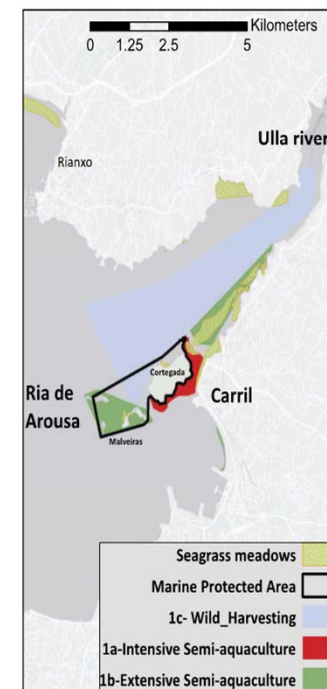
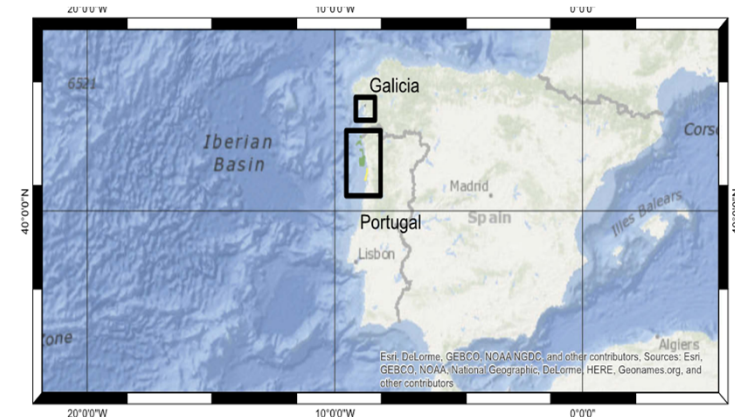


Local traditional knowledge



Co-production of marine ecosystem services matrix

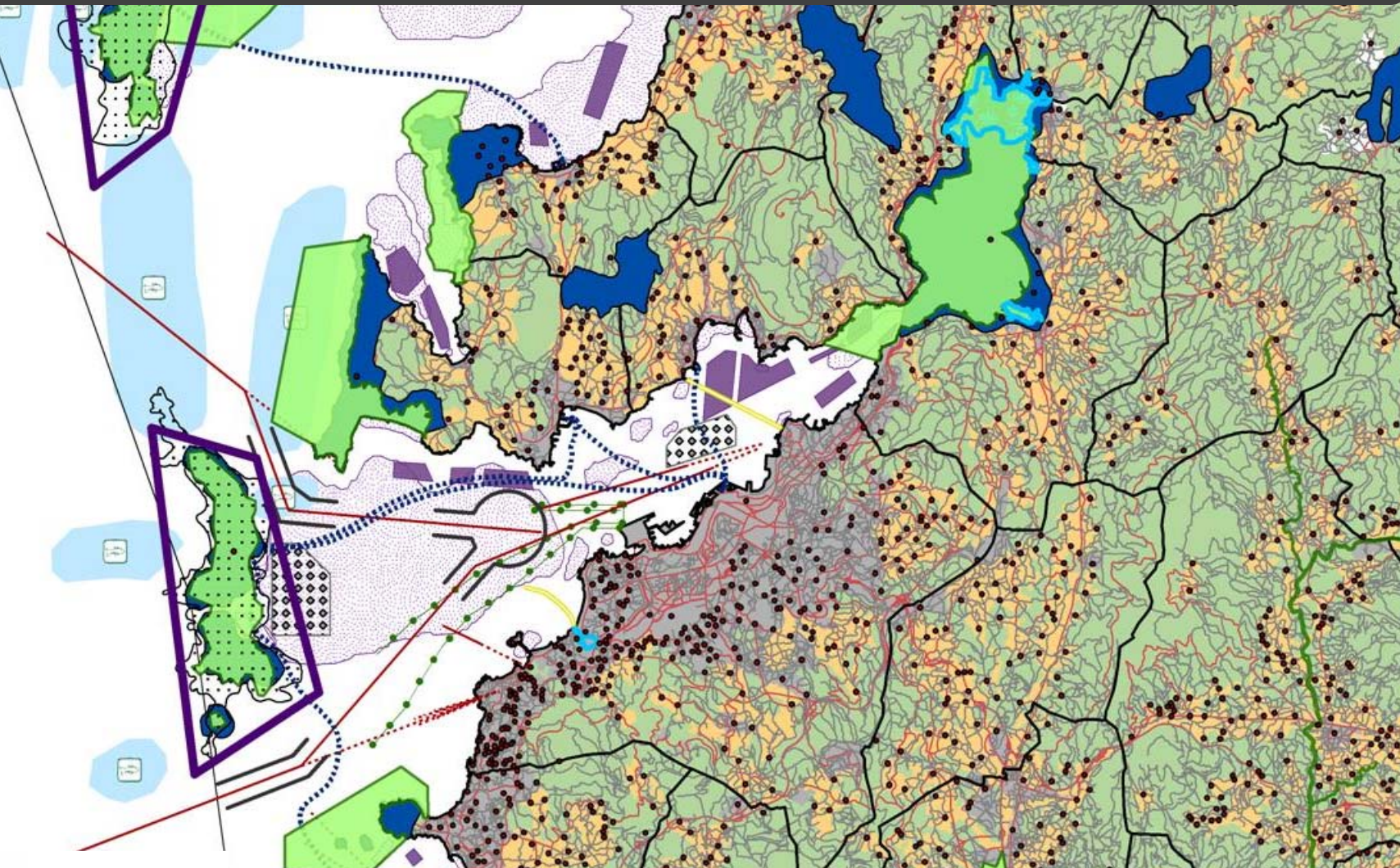
- Study area (Ría de Arousa)
- Sequential step-wise analysis including three steps:
 - 1) Inventory: case studies in Europe for studying co-production in small-scale fisheries based on discussions during the ICES WG meeting RMES
 - 2) Matrix: collect information on co-production and ES delivery from regional databases, published papers and long-term research experience
 - 3) Comparative analysis: scale of co-production, and co-production level and ES trade-offs with special attention to the property regime



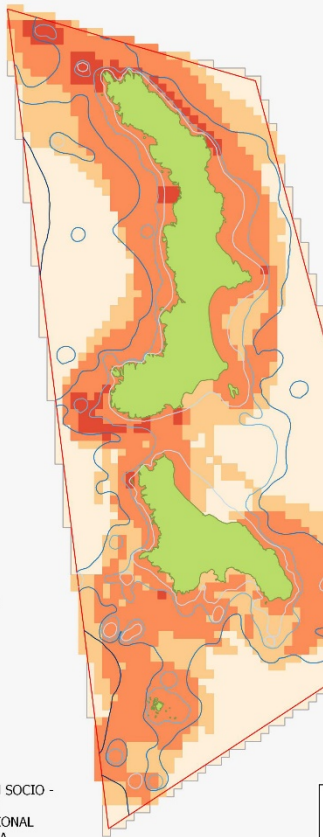
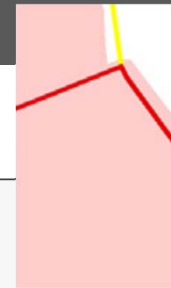
Aggregated non-natural capital use and co-production of marine ecosystem (dis)services in Galicia (NW Spain)

	Galicia	Galicia
Case studies	Intensive semi-aquaculture ("Parque cultivado")	Wild harvesting ("Libre marisqueo")
Property regime	Concession individuals	Common pool resource
Target species	Bivalves (clams, cockles)	Bivalves (clams, cockles)
Benefits	Food, employment, tourism, identity	Food, employment, tourism, identity
Human capital	LEK and skills, high intensity rearing, plowing, predators and algae removal, manual and mechanical harvest	LEK and skills
Management capital	Collective surveillance	Gear restriction, quota based, collective surveillance
Manufactured capital	Boats and rakes	Boats and rakes
Social capital	Lease of plots, seed hatcheries	May apply buy boats
Level of co-production	High-intensive	Low
System disservice	Regulating, risk of pests	Unknown

Cíes Islands Natural Park – Natura 2000 Network



ES dependency (*catches*) of small-scale and shellfishing activities



Zonas de captura

Ons

Robaliza

Dicentrarchus labrax

Recurrencia compensada

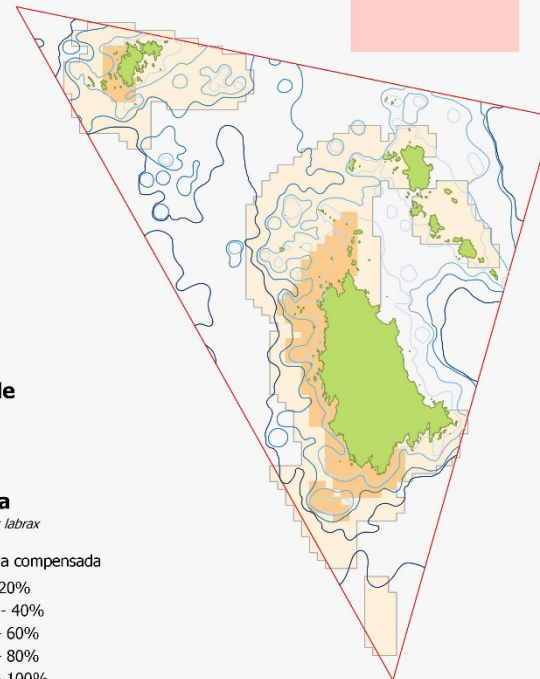
- >0 - 20%
- >20 - 40%
- >40 - 60%
- >60 - 80%
- >80 - 100%

Usos no exterior

DESCRIPCIÓN E VALORACIÓN SOCIO -
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Resultados de entrevistas presenciais. Beti Nieto e José Manuel Parada. 2016



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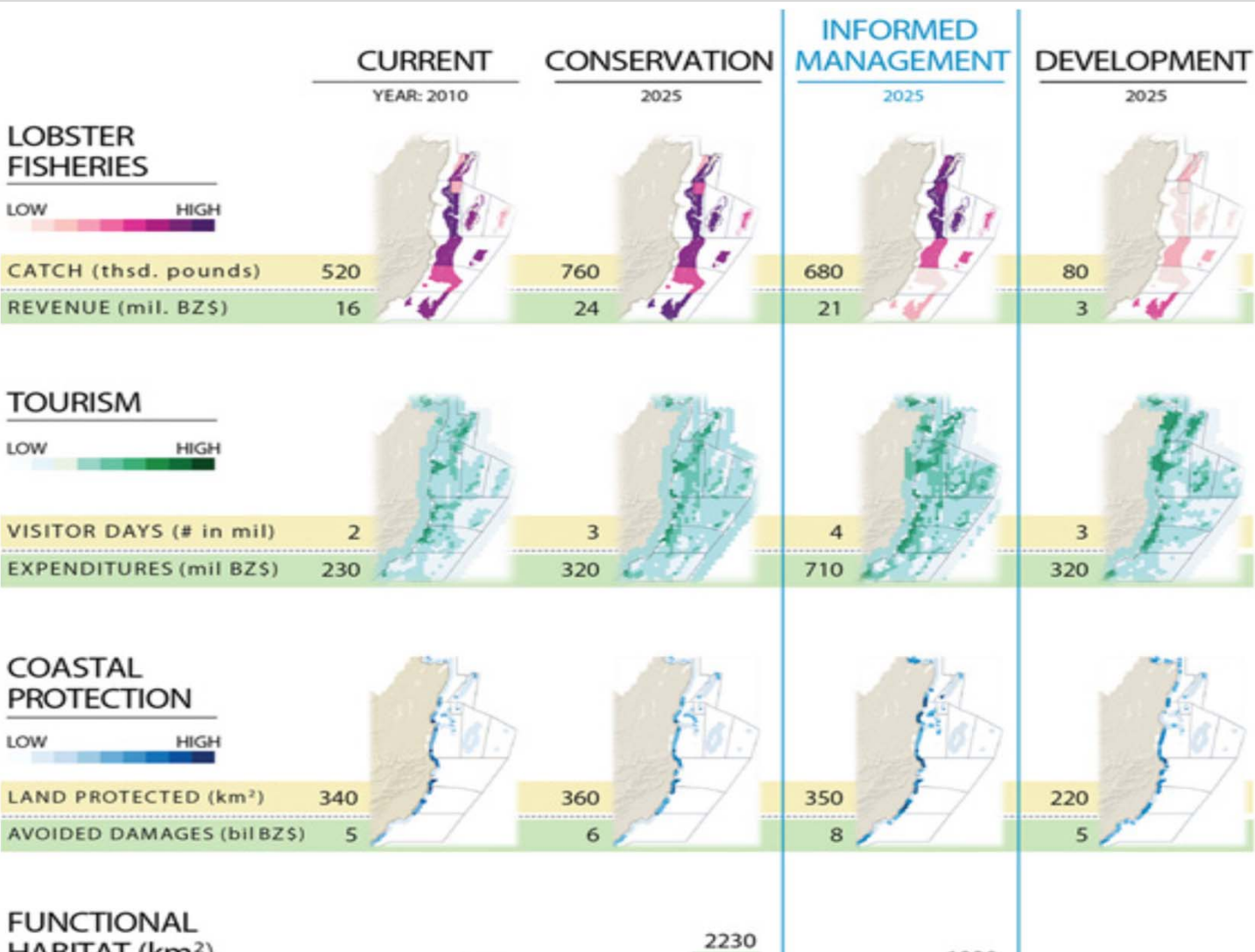


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Matrix to integrate and evaluate the importance of marine habitats to specific services

Habitats	Habitat and supporting services				Regulating services					Provisioning services		
	Primary production	Nutrient regeneration	Habitats for species	Sediment formation & composition	Carbon sequestration & storage	Erosion prevention	Local climate and air quality	Waste-water treatment	Moderation of extreme events	Food	Raw materials	Medicinal resources
Black coral garden	2-1	1	3	1	1	1	1	/	1	1	2-1	2-2
Cyanozoan bed	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	/	1	1	1	2-2
Full kelp (<i>Durvillaea</i>) forest	3	1	3	3	1	2-2	1	2-2	1	2-2	3	2-2
Rockle bed	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	2-1	1	2-1	1	/
Deep/cold coral garden	2-2	1	3	3	2-1	1	1	1	1	1	2-1	2-2
<i>Scleractinia</i> forest	2-1	1	2-2	/	2-2	1	2-2	3	1	2-1	1	3
Heart urchin plain	3	3	/	1	2-2	1	3	2-2	1	1	1	1
Large mussel bed	3	3	3	1	1	3	1	/	1	1	/	1
<i>Macrocystis</i> forest	2-2	1	2-2	/	2-2	1	2-2	3	1	3	2-2	3
Mangrove forest	3	2-2	3	3	3	3	3	2-2	2-1	1	1	/
Mud crab bed	1	3	1	/	2-2	3	/	3	1	1	/	/
Mussel bed	1	1	2-1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3
Oyster reef	1	2-2	2-2	3	2-2	2-2	1	2-2	1	2-1	2-2	2-2
Saltmarsh	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	1	1	/
Scallop bed	1	1	1	1	2-2	1	1	/	1	3	1	/
Seagrass meadow	3	2-2	2-2	/	3	2-2	3	1	1	1	/	/
Sponge garden	2-2	3	3	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	3	3
Surf clam bed	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	/	1	2-1	/	/
Tubeworm reef	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2-2
Urchin plain	1	2-2	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	1	1
Wedge shell bed	1	3	/	1	1	1	1	/	1	1	1	1
	Contribution to Ecosystem Services				Confidence in score							
	Significant contribution				3			New Zealand focused, peer-reviewed literature				
	Moderate contribution				2-1			New Zealand focused, gray literature				
	Low contribution				2-2			Overseas literature				
	No or negligible contribution				1			Expert opinion				

3) Co-design plausible future scenarios



Challenges and barriers

Perception of value is a cultural artefact, and if public support is required in making an ecological improvement, this may need investment in education and awareness

Linking natural capital to other public policies (employment, health and wellbeing, income inequality and cultural heritage)

Scale and boundaries matter: mismatch between where ES are supplied and location for demand

Evidence gaps: i) how to define assets and account for their interdependencies; ii) how to track changes in values over time; and iii) how to aggregate cumulative

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