

Submission of proposals related to the Further revised draft text of an agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

Template

Please fill out one form for each article which your delegation(s) or group(s) wish(es) to propose, amend or delete.

- 1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) and/or Group(s) making the proposal in the order that they should be listed in any conference room papers or other documents:**

International Union for Conservation of Nature

- 2. Please indicate the relevant part of the Further revised draft text (as reflected in A/CONF.232/2022/5¹) that this proposal relates to, using the drop-down menu below.**

PART III MEASURES SUCH AS AREA-BASED MANAGEMENT TOOLS, INCLUDING MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

- 3. Please indicate the relevant article of the Further revised draft text (as reflected in A/CONF.232/2022/5¹) that this proposal relates to (if applicable) or indicate if this is a proposal for an additional article**

Article 20

- 4. Kindly provide the amendments to the article that are being proposed in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the article that are being amended or deleted - examples are attached for reference.**

20.1.bis. Parties shall cooperate to promote, support and enable the effective management and implementation, including the monitoring, control, surveillance and enforcement, of area-based management tools including marine protected areas adopted pursuant to this Part.

¹ Currently available as an advance, unedited, version on the website of the IGC: [Fifth substantive session \(un.org\)](https://www.un.org/development/desa/ia/igc/)

20.1. ter Parties shall ensure that capacity and technology needs that may be required to implement measures adopted under this Part are considered and adequately addressed by the Conference of the Parties or any subsidiary body established to consider such issues.

20.1. quater. The Conference of Parties may establish or designate a management body to manage one or more MPAs. Such body/ies shall report to the Scientific and Technical Body and any other subsidiary bodies established to consider implementation. Each MPA management body shall be responsible for implementing the adopted management plan, facilitating implementation of the research plan, and for promoting cooperation with States, other bodies and stakeholders in pursuit of the objectives for the marine protected area.

5. Rationale for the proposal, if any.

It will be important to include more proactive obligations to support management of MPAs if they are to be effectively implemented, compared to area-based management tools including marine protected areas.

References:

Grorud-Colvert, et al, 2021. The MPA Guide: A framework to achieve global goals for the ocean, <https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.abf0861>

IUCN WCPA, 2019. Guidelines for applying the IUCN protected area management categories to marine protected areas, <https://portals.iucn.org/library/node/48887>