

Legal regime governing the conduct of MSR in the Area

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Marine Scientific Research



Responsible management
of the Oceans & their
resources



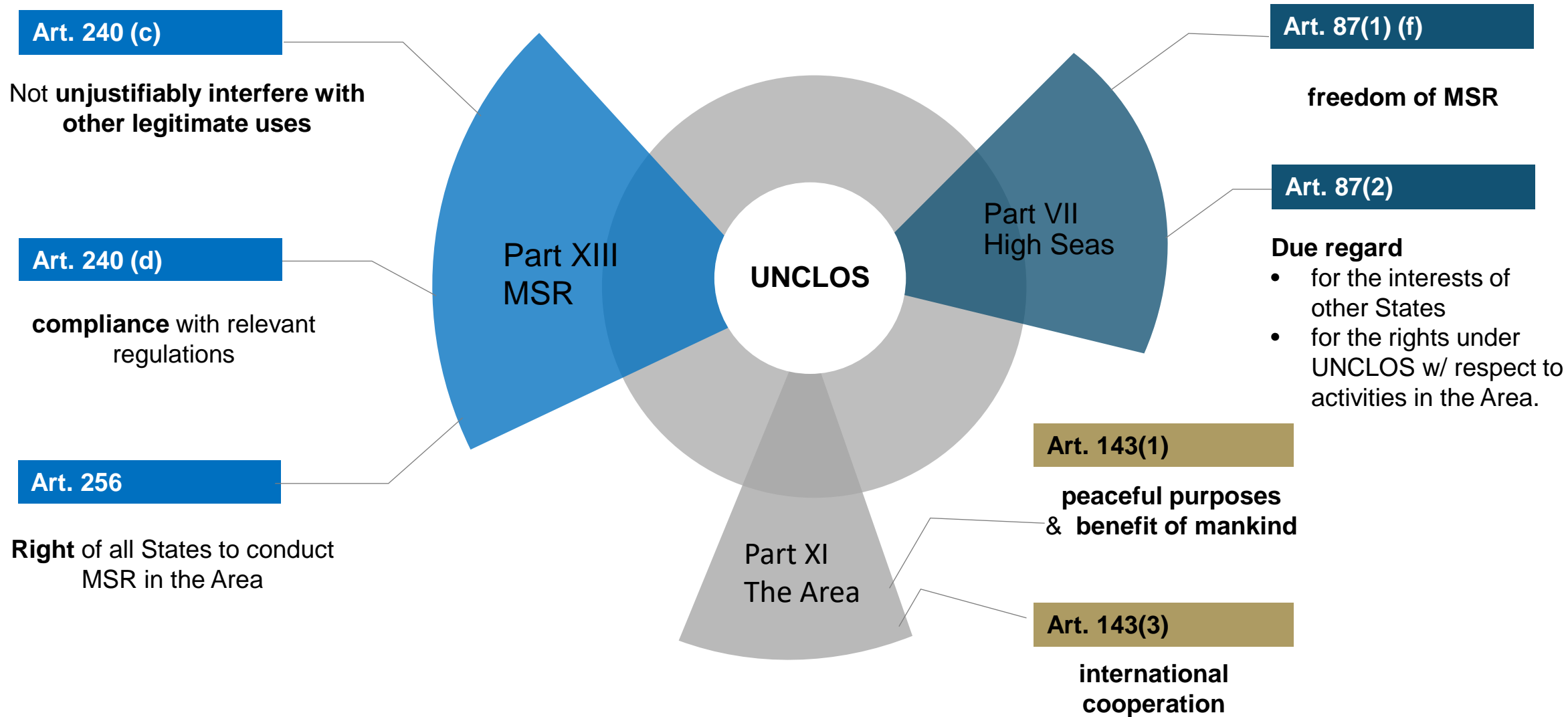
Scientific
advancement



Environmentally
sustainable &
commercially viable
activities in the Area



Legal framework



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UNCLOS, article 143

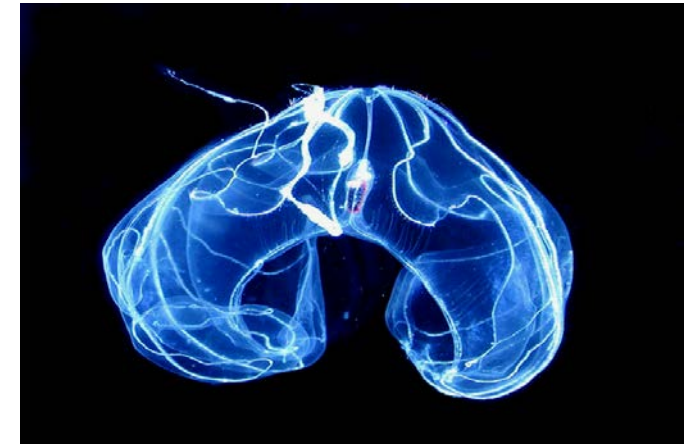
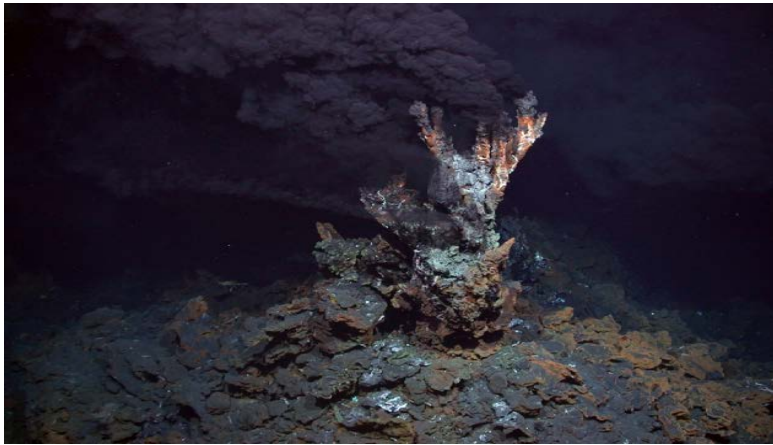


ISA shall **promote and encourage the conduct of marine scientific research** in the Area

ISA shall **coordinate and disseminate the results of such research** and analysis when available

ISA shall **encourage appropriate programmes (...)** for the benefit of developing States & technology less developed States





Accommodation of activities in the Area and in the marine environment

Art.147



“reasonable regard” for other activities in the marine environment



reciprocal provision
 (“reasonable regard” for activities in the Area)



ROLE OF ISA ?

dissemination of research results & analysis

- carry out MSR
- enter into contracts

Knowledge hub

Facilitate Operation

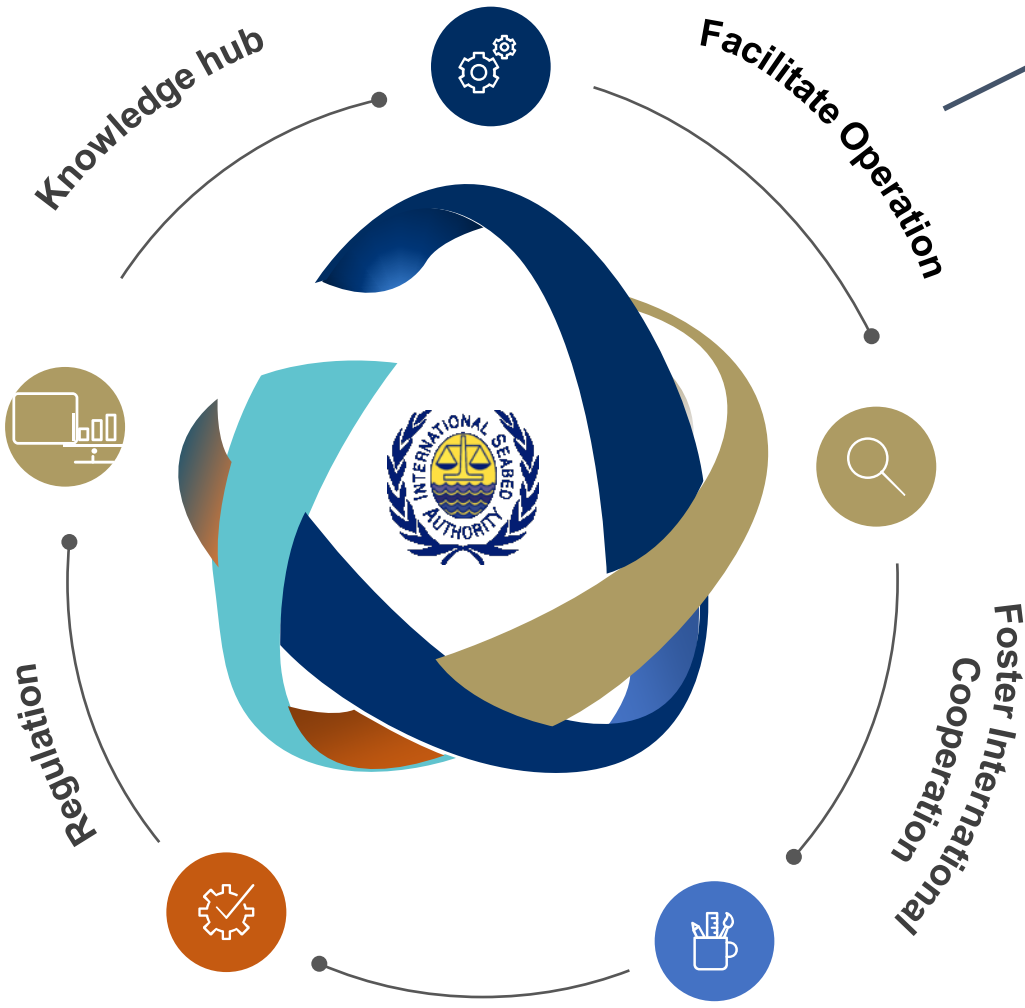
Exclusive right of contractors

- promote & encourage the conduct of MSR
- develop programs for developing States & technologically less developed States



Regulation

Foster International Cooperation



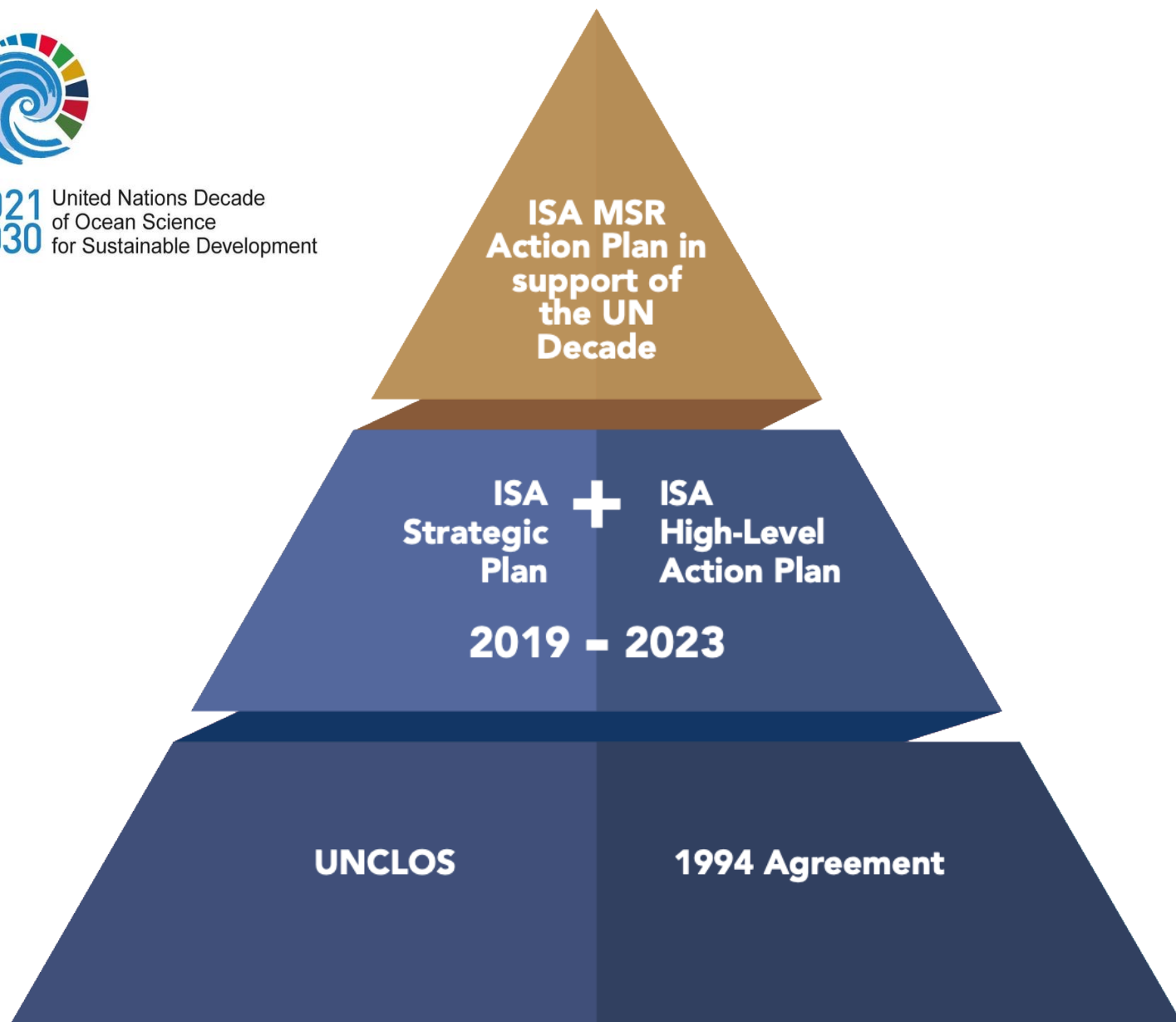


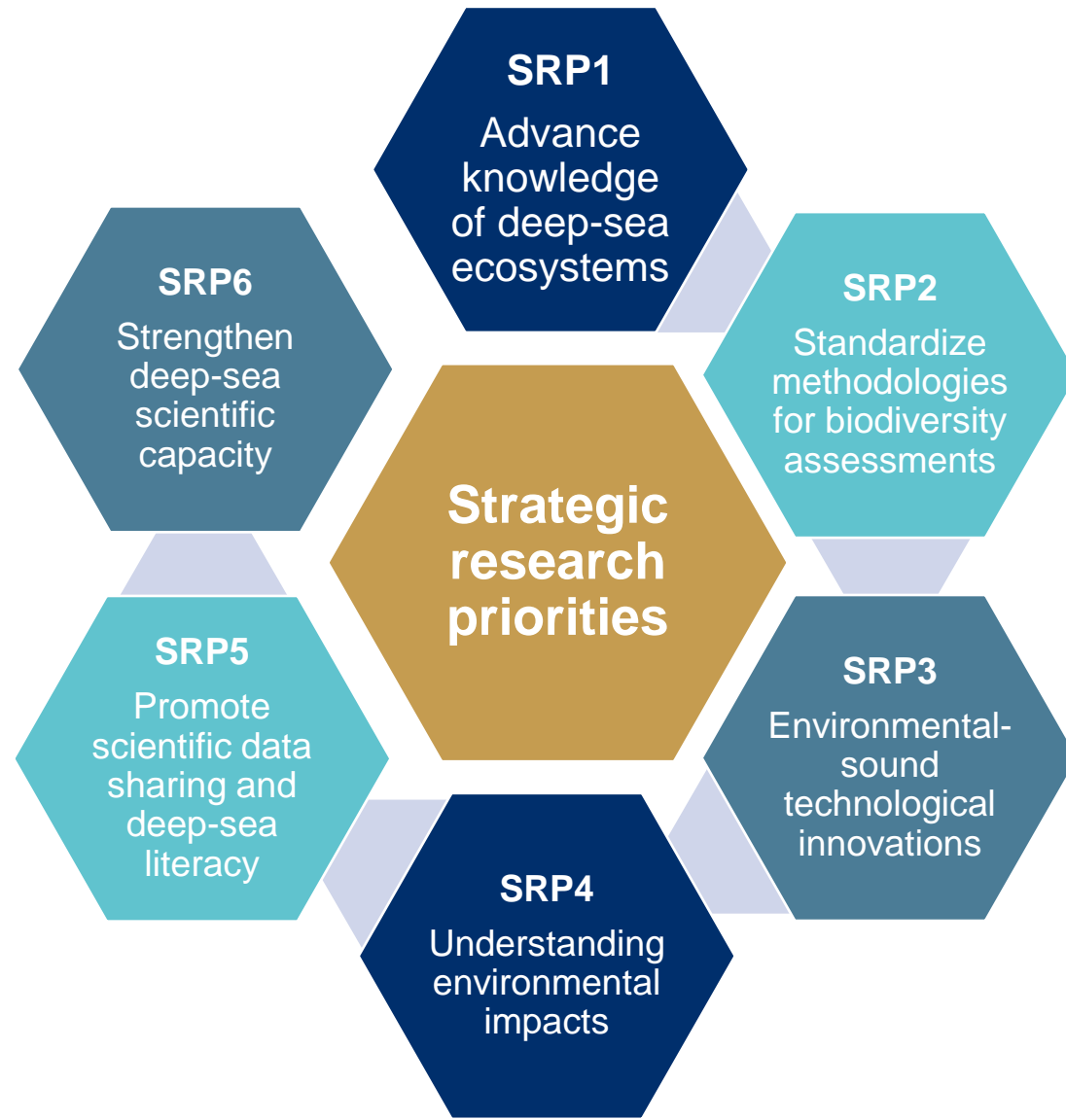
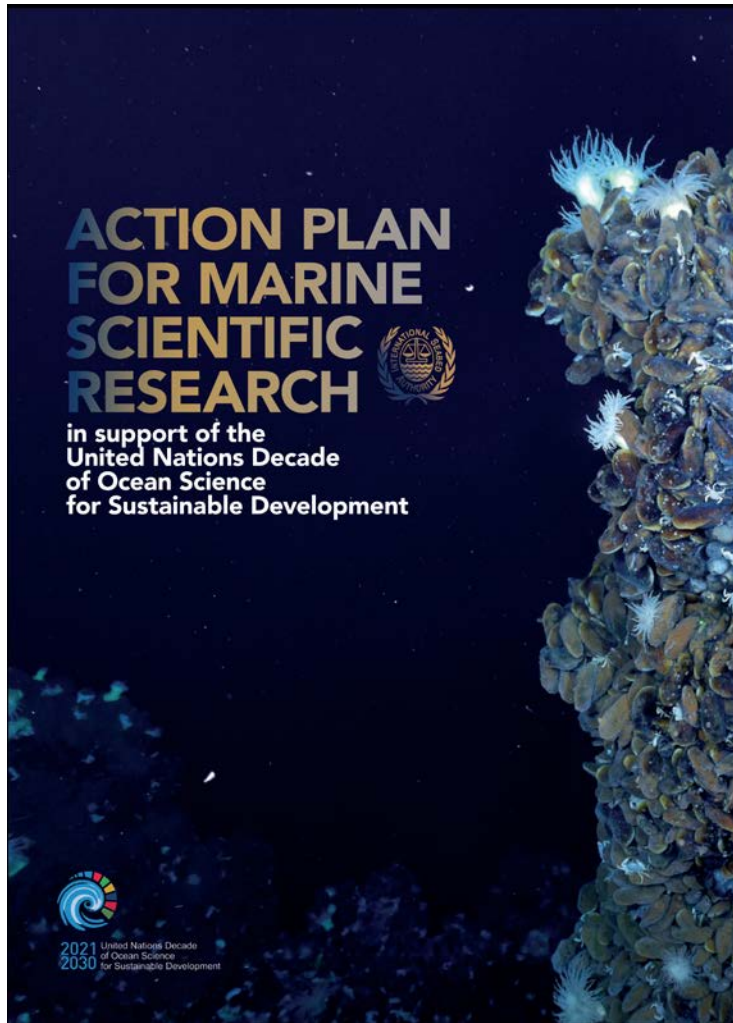
ISA MSR Action Plan in support of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development





2021 United Nations Decade
2030 of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development





ISA / IOC-UNESCO partnership



- MoU, 2000
- On-going cooperation
- ISA contributed to all stages of planning phase of UN Decade



- IOC-UNESCO consulted
- Inputs reflected in ISA MSR Action Plan



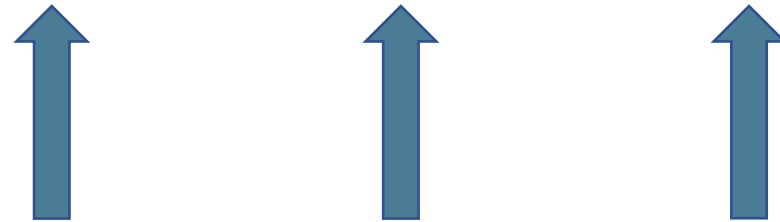
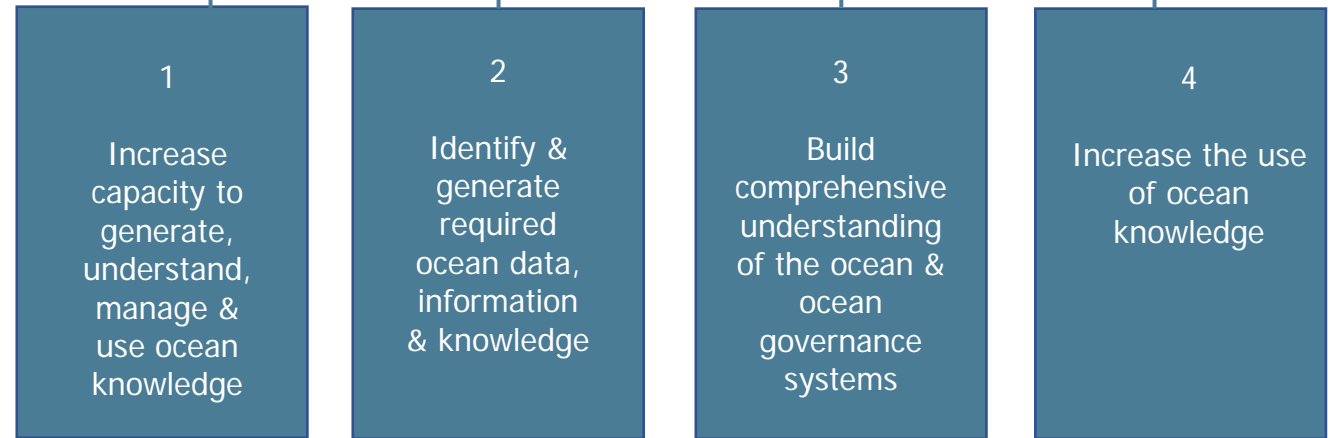
ISA MSR Action Plan



UN DECADE OF OCEAN SCIENCE

SOCIETAL OUTCOMES

SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES



STRATEGIC RESEARCH PRIORITIES





WEBINAR

16 September 2021 | 6am-8am (Jamaica time)

Marine Scientific Research Information Series for Africa

Topic 1 Deep-sea Mineral Resources and Technologies



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Topic 2 DATA MANAGEMENT



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MSR activities in the Area must
not unreasonably interfere with
a contractor's rights and duties
under its contract with ISA





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