

## **DOSI** intervention #7

## DR46 - Environmental Impact Assessment Process - delivered by Patricia Esquete on 27/03/2024

Thank you, Madam facilitator,

We also welcome the progress made in streamlining the EIA process sections of the regulations.

DOSI notes that in para 3(a) of draft regulation 46, our suggestion to include relevant and sufficient environmental baseline data is not reflected in the Consolidated Text. We want to support Germany and Switzerland and reiterate, as we said in the previous session, that the sufficient information requirement in this context is necessary for informed decisions about the respective environment and environmental objectives for a particular site. The ISA manages activities in the Area on behalf of humankind as a whole and should prevent activities when there is not sufficient information to quantify risks and impacts.

Also, as scientists, we would like to support Micronesia in his statement on the incorporation of traditional knowledge.

We will submit further comments in written form.

Thank you