



NEAMPAN workshop 2024 on
Advancing Marine Protected Areas for Climate Action, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development

Overview of North-East Asia MPA Network (NEAMPAN)

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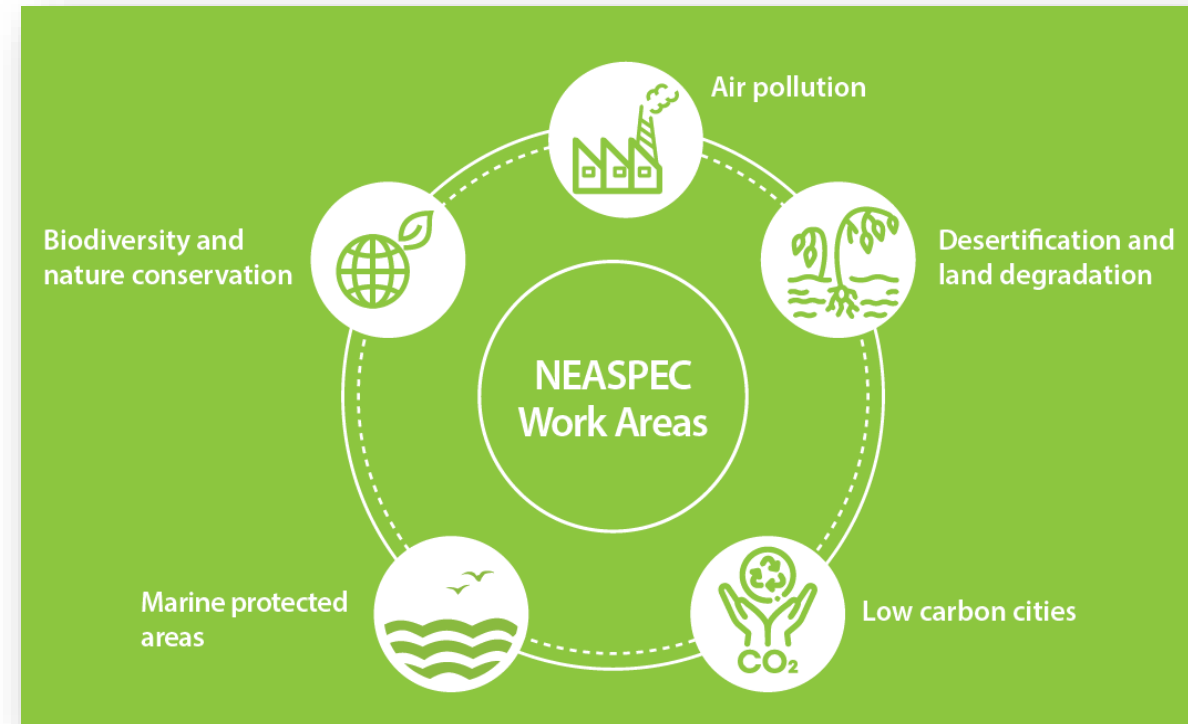


- **Regional development arm** of the United Nations for the Asia-Pacific region: 1 of the 5 UN regional commissions
- Supported by the **5 subregional offices** and the **5 regional institutions**
- Established in 1947 / HQs in Bangkok
- 53 Member States + 9 Associate Members



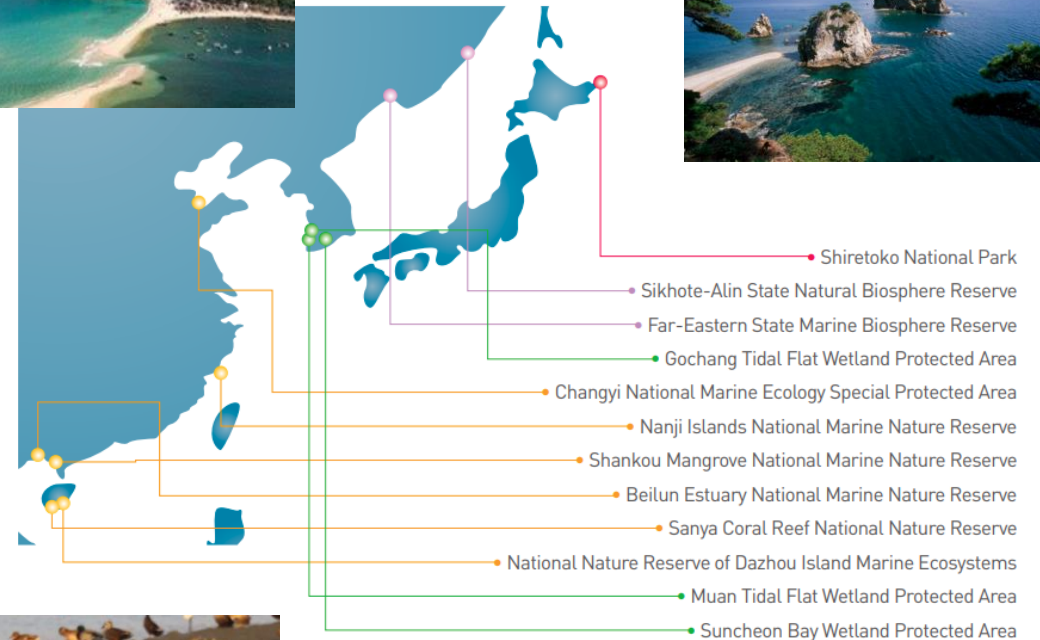
North-East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation (NEASPEC)

- **A comprehensive intergovernmental cooperation framework** addressing environmental challenges in North-East Asia
- **The first intergovernmental mechanism** created by 
- **Establishment:** 1993
- **Secretariat:** UNESCAP East and North-East Asia Office
✓ Incheon, Republic of Korea
- **Senior officials meeting:** the governing body to provide overall policy guidance and project coordination and management; annual; rotation basis

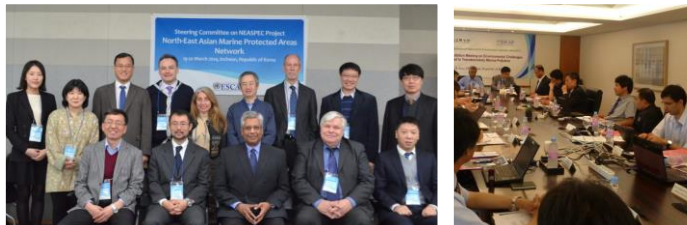


North-East Asian Marine Protected Areas Network (NEAMPAN)

- **Establishment:** 2013
 - ✓ Approved by NEASPEC SOM-17 (2012)
 - ✓ Official launch at NEASPEC SOM-18 (2013)
- **Goal:** Establish an effective, functional representative network of MPAs in NEA for conservation of marine and coastal biodiversity and more efficient MPA management
- A key subregional platform for information sharing, joint assessment, monitoring, and partnership with other regional and global MPA networks
- Steering Committee
- 12 nominated sites



NEAMPAN Activities: Info-sharing and capacity building



ESCAP **North-East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation**

WEBINAR ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

14:00-16:00 (GMT+9), 20 July, Virtual

Marine protected areas (MPAs) are designated with long-term aims to conserve ecosystems and support livelihoods in the coastal areas. As such, MPAs should play critical roles in combating climate change and enhancing resilience in the ocean and coastal areas, and there needs further discussions to understand the impacts of climate change and MPAs' roles to address them in North-East Asia.

Organized by the ESCAP Subregional office for East and North-East Asia, which serves as the NEASPEC Secretariat, the webinar aims to discuss the roles of MPAs and MPA networks to tackle climate change, and learn national and local-level policies and practices in North-East Asia.

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NEAMPAN WEBINAR 2023: ACCELERATING OCEAN-BASED ACTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

09:00 to 11:00 (GMT+9), Wednesday, 13 September 2023

Virtual - MS Teams

Our oceans are facing unprecedented threats. With increasing scientific evidence of adverse impacts of climate change, ocean acidification, marine pollution, habitat destruction and the alarming loss of coastal biodiversity, the world stands at a critical juncture where collective knowledge, efforts and partnerships to restore, protect and manage marine ecosystems are urgently needed.

In response to this pressing need, the North-East Asian Marine Protected Areas Network (NEAMPAN) is well-positioned to present a webinar of "Accelerating Ocean-Based Actions for Sustainable Development" to advance the subregional cooperation for marine resources and coastal biodiversity conservation.

Bringing NEAMPAN member countries and NEAMPAN sites of China, Japan, Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation, experts and stakeholders from NGOs and international organizations, this webinar aims to share the latest knowledge of ocean-based solutions to sustainable development. It will also explore how NEAMPAN would accelerate the ocean-based actions and strengthen partnerships among MPAs and beyond to achieve relevant Sustainable Development Goals.

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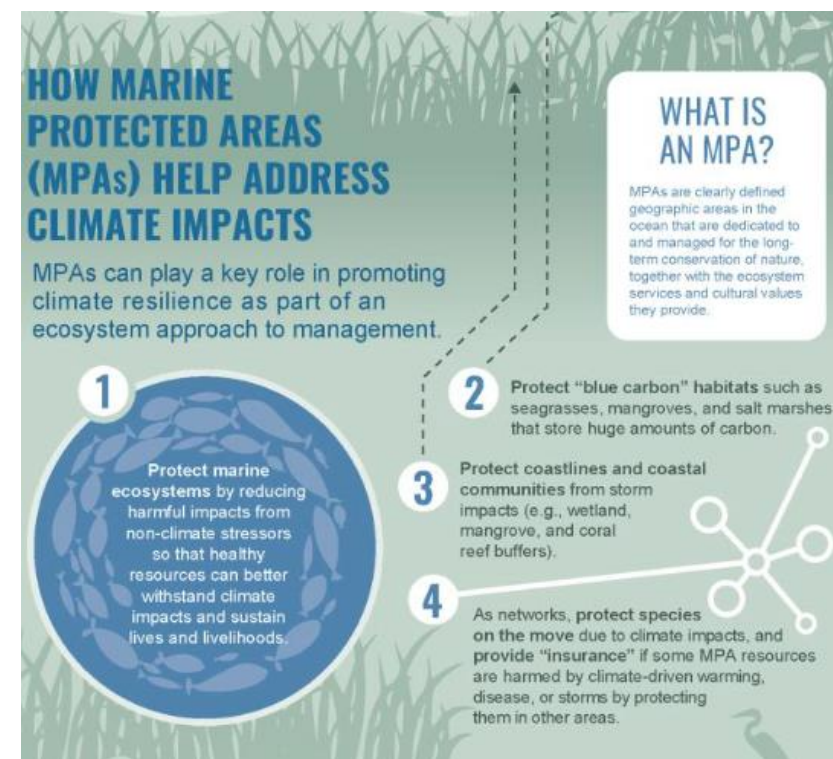
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NEAMPAN Activities: Research

- **Study project:** Management plans, monitoring and assessment of marine protected areas



- **Study project (ongoing):** Challenges and impacts of climate change on MPAs and relevant ocean-based solutions of NEAMPAN sites



SOURCE: IUCN, WCPA and NOAA

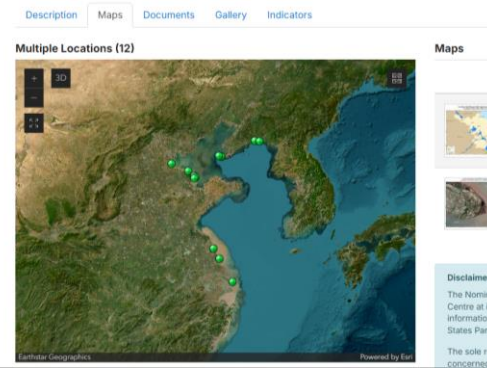
NEAMPAN Activities: Partnership with other MPA networks



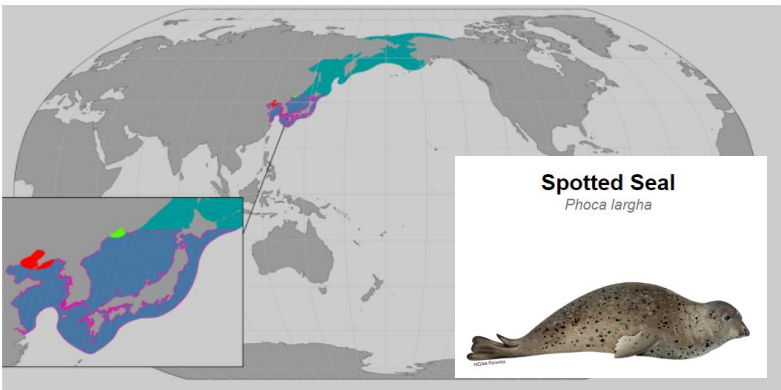
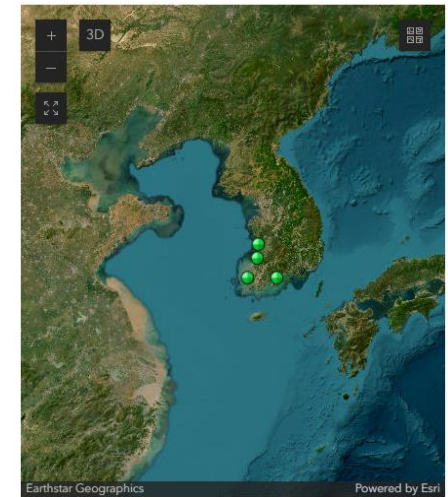
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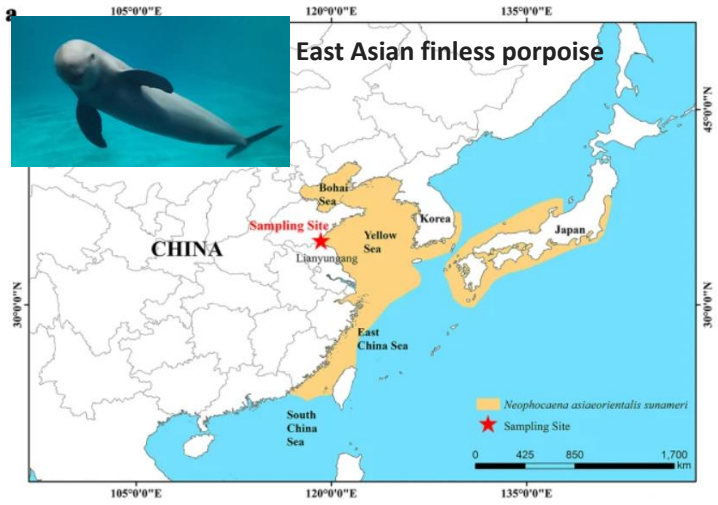
Migratory Bird Sanctuaries along the Coast of Yellow Sea-Bohai Gulf of China



Getbol, Korean Tidal Flats



World map providing approximate representation of the Spotted seal's range



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