

THE REGIONAL FISHERY BODY SECRETARIATS' NETWORK (RSN)

The Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA)

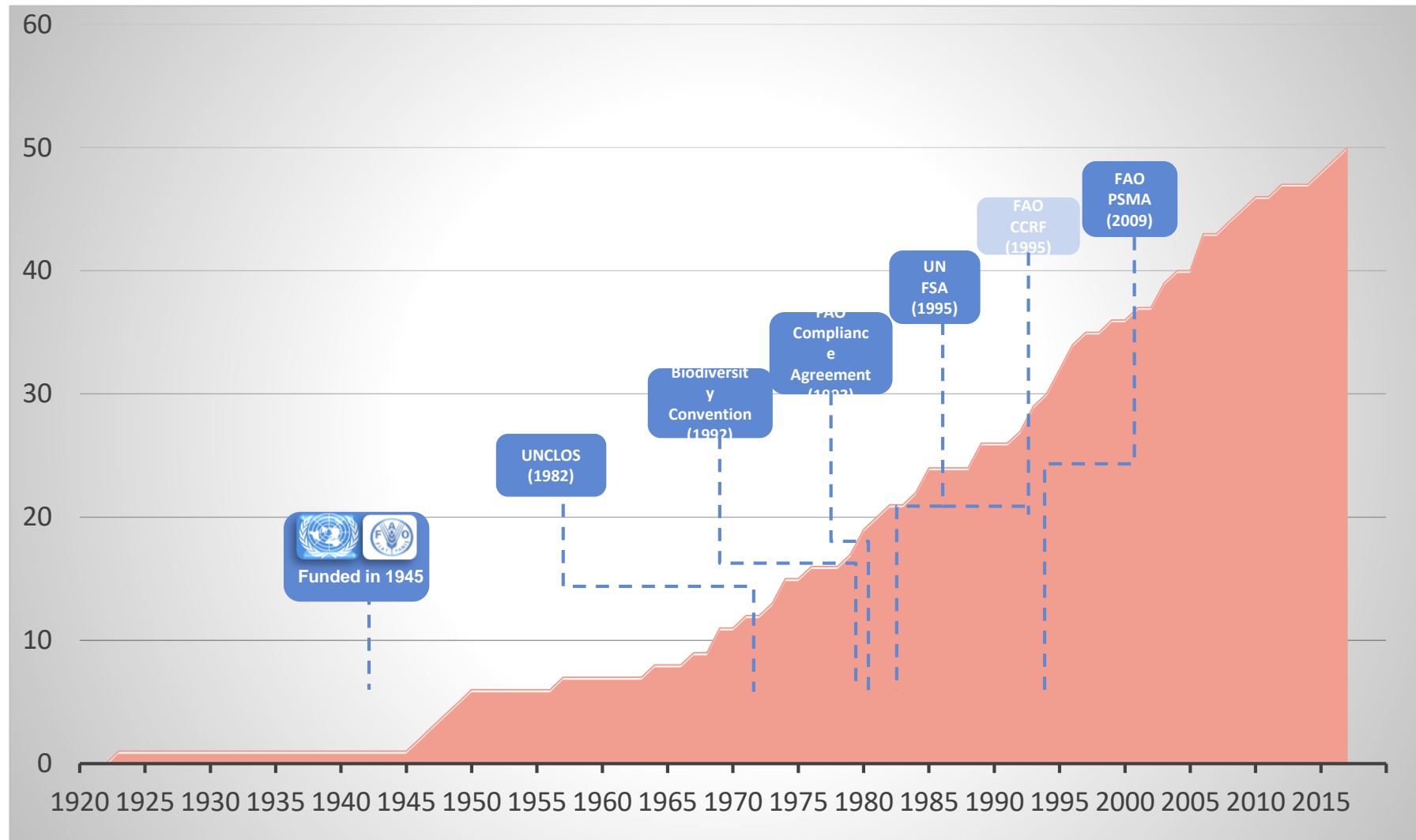
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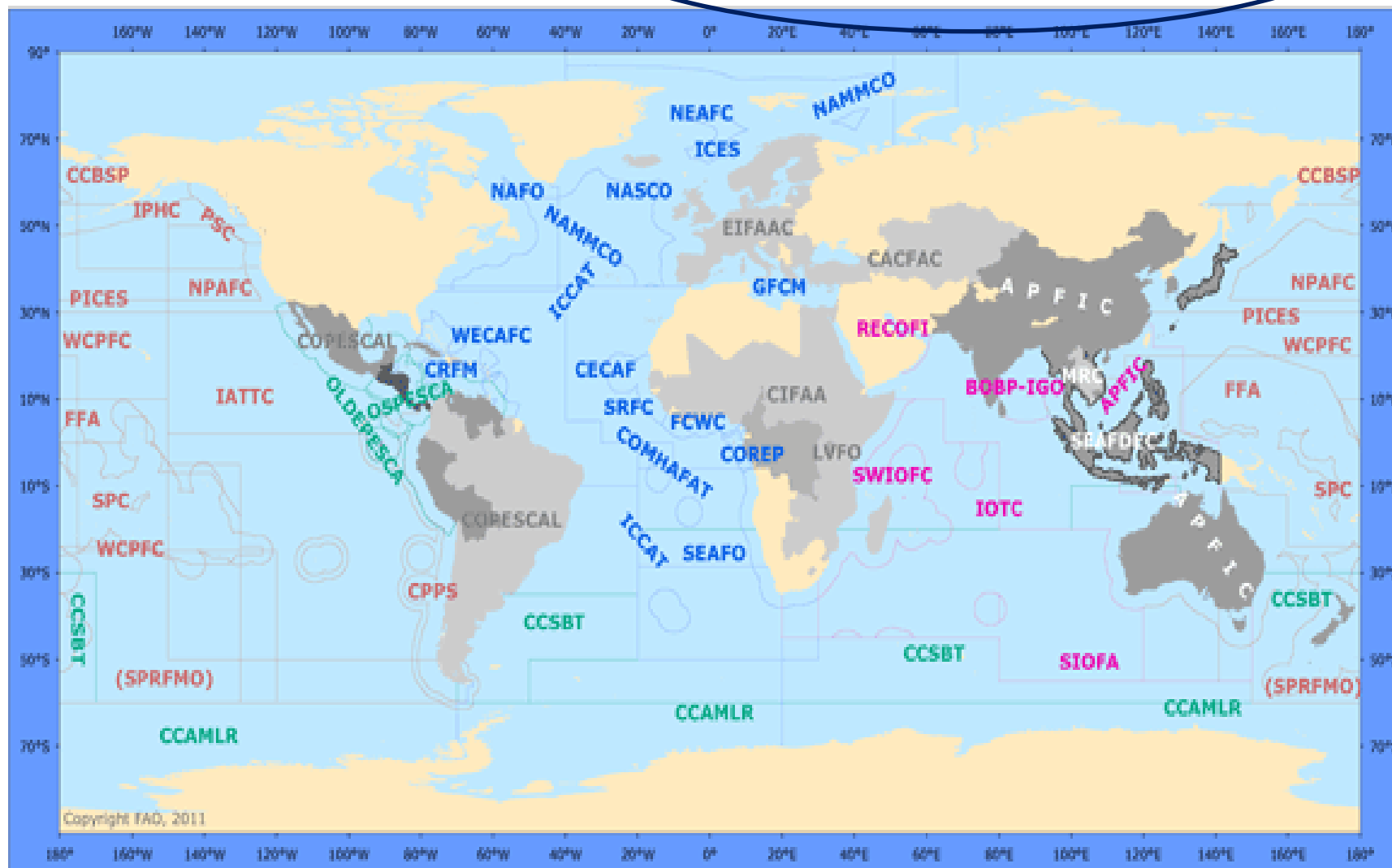


Political efforts have led to

- Increased number of RFMOs/RFABs established
- More international instruments promulgated



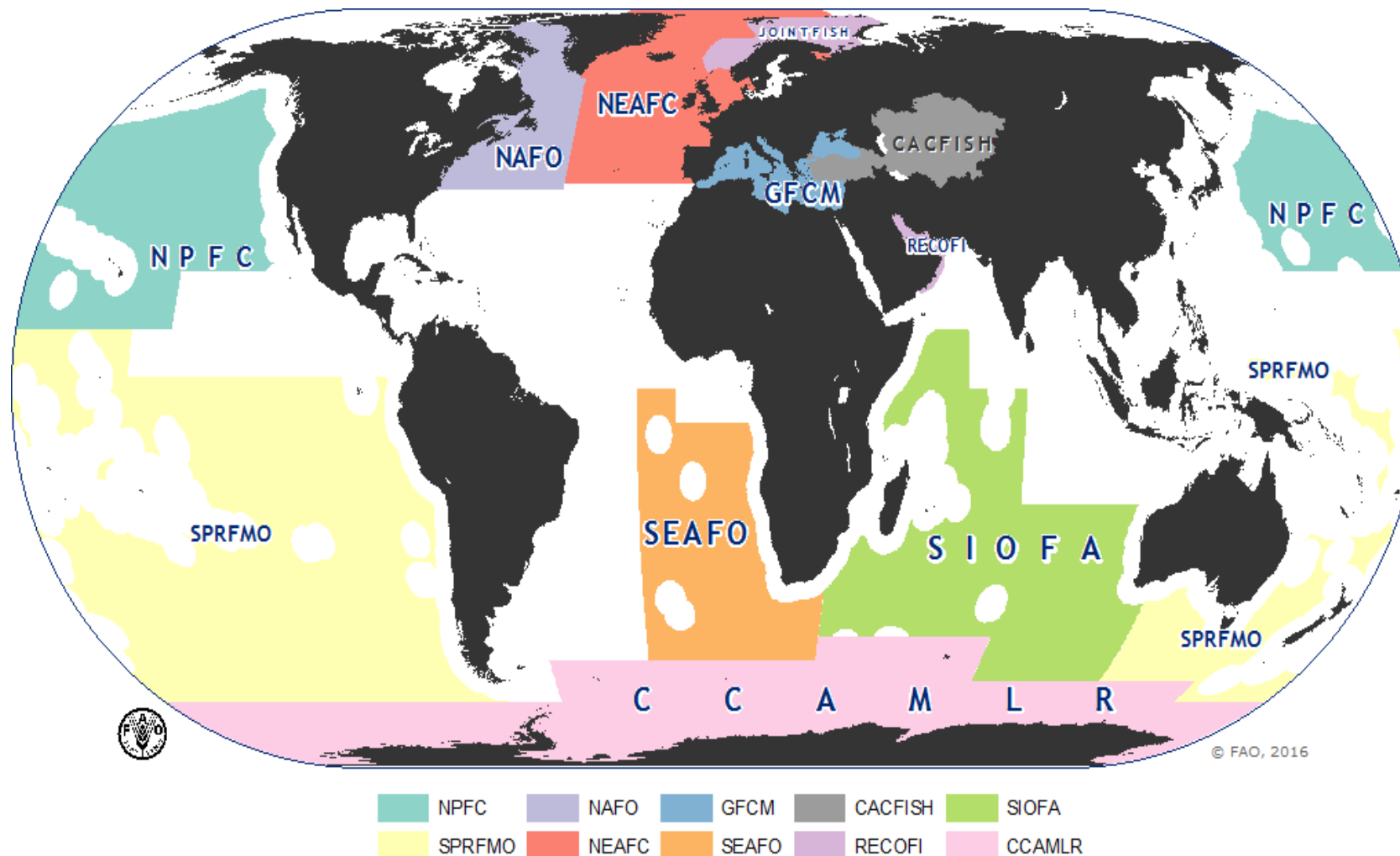
RFABs/RFMOs Net(work?)





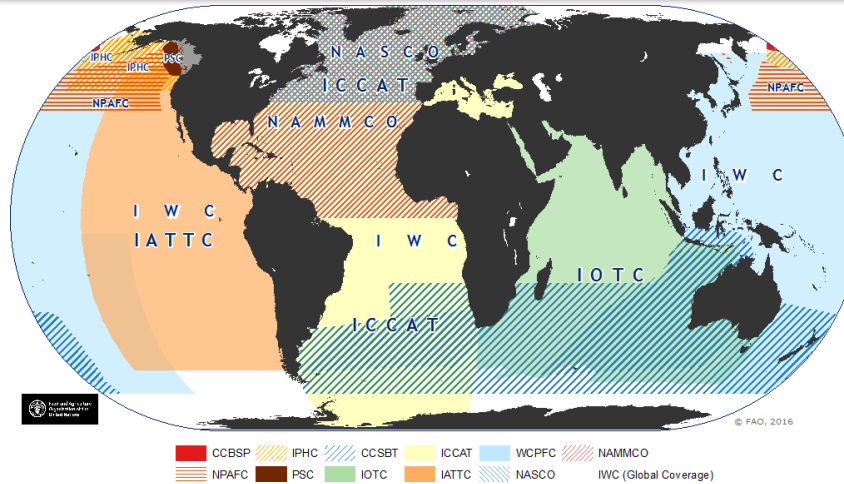
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Regional Fishery Management Organizations (RFMOs – non species-specific)



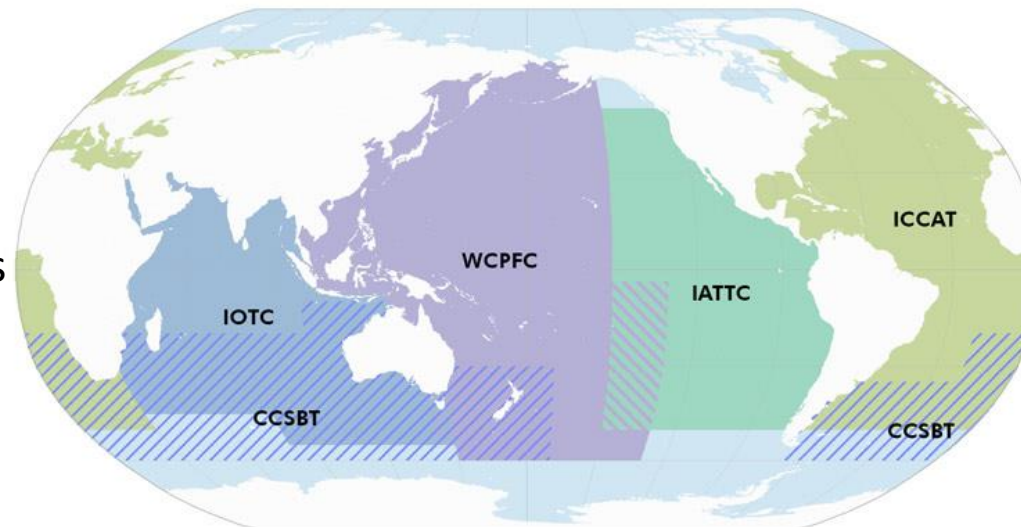


Regional Fishery Management Organizations (RFMOs – species specific)



Species Specific RFMOs (i.e. halibut,
salmon, marine mammals, etc.)

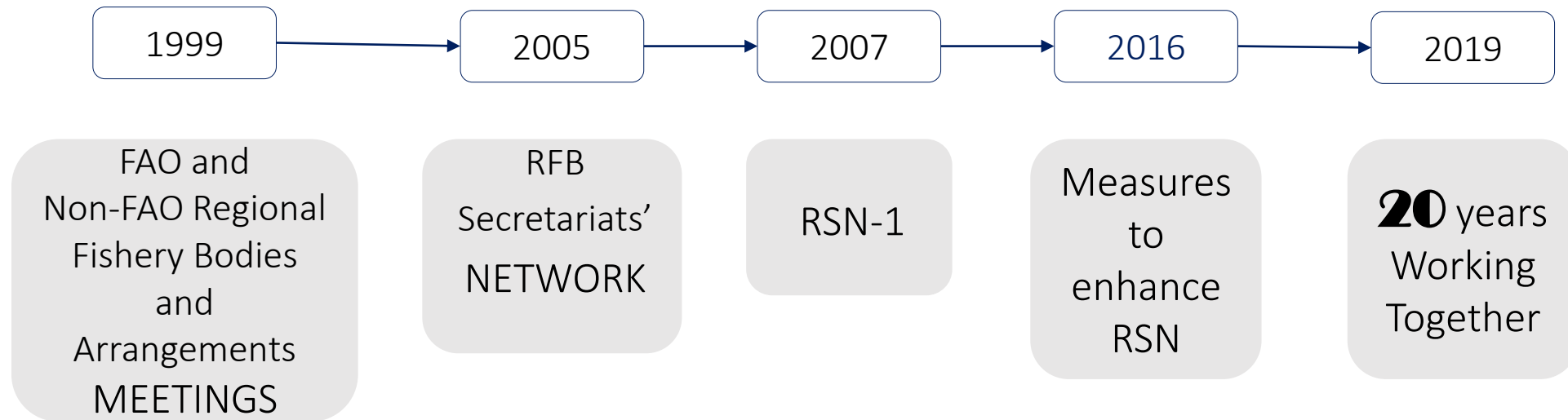
Species Specific RFMOs: tuna RFMOs



FAO and RFBs

- FAO has committed to:
 - **provide** its technical and administrative support to its own RFBs to strengthening their effectiveness
 - **promote** collaboration and consultation among all RFBs or arrangements on matters of common concern
 - **facilitate** meetings of RFB and RFMOs
 - **cooperate** to report on status and trends of fisheries
 - **report** to, and liaise with the United Nations and other international and regional organizations regarding collecting and disseminating information
 - **assist** in the process of establishing new RFBs
- **host and support the Regional Fishery Body Secretariats' Network (RSN)**

I. RSN progress - laying the foundation



RSN Character and objective

Characteristics

- 🐟 Member organizations: secretariats of RFABs and RFMO/As and partners
- 🐟 RSN is not a FAO body but is supported by FAO
- 🐟 Biennial meetings
- 🐟 Decisions by consensus
- 🐟 Non-binding decisions
- 🐟 RSN and FAO collaborative background



Main objective

Enhance cooperation and coordination among RFABs/RFMOs to achieve fisheries and aquaculture sustainable development through effective regional mechanisms (SDG 14 and 2030 Agenda)



RFB Secretariats' Network (RSN)

A unique FAO tool for regional and global cooperation

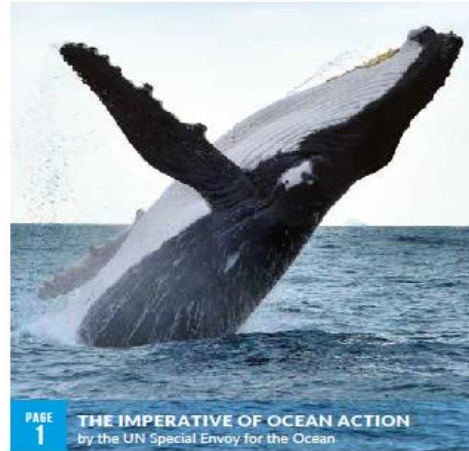
A mechanism to ensure RFBs technical coordination

RSN contributes by:

- **Providing a forum for discussion on critical issues and needed strategies;**
- **Harmonizing technical approaches and procedures; and**
- **Sharing knowledge and good practices**



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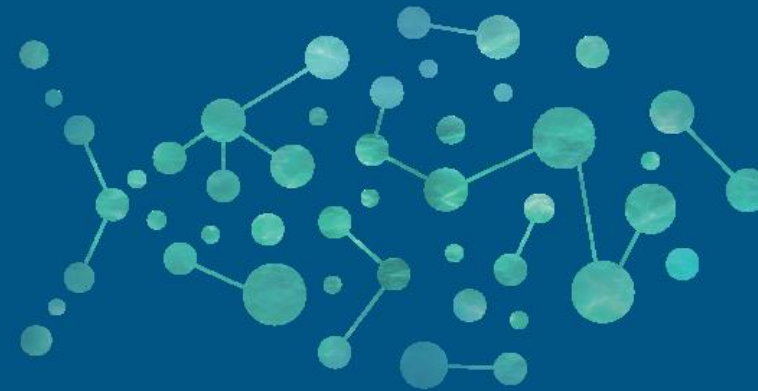
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the UN Agenda 2030

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 **Membership**

FAO and RFBs



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THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PERFORMANCE REVIEW REPORTS BY
REGIONAL FISHERY BODIES, 2004–2014



PERCENTAGE OF RFBs WITH REGULATORY OR ADVISORY MANDATE



49%

Advisory mandate

51%

Regulatory mandate

SPECIES IN THEIR AREA OF COVERAGE



31%

Species specific

69%

Non-species specific

AQUACULTURE IN MANDATE



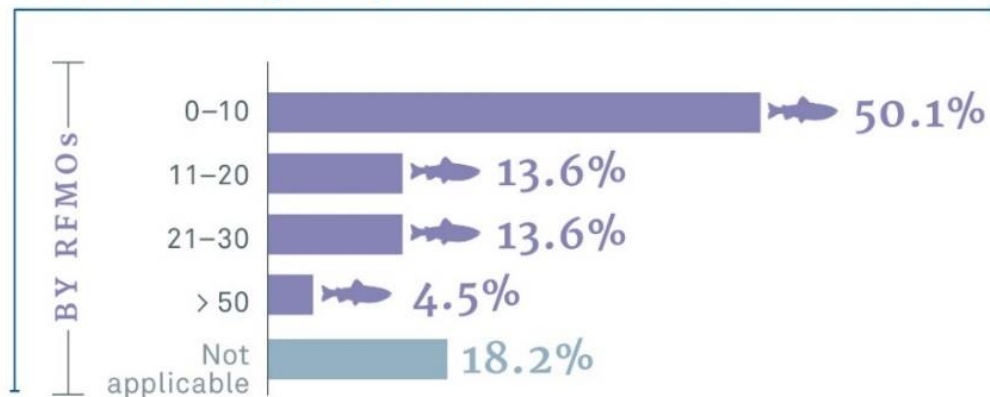
31%

Acronym	Area of competence
CACFish	Inland waters
CCAMLR	Areas beyond national jurisdiction (ABNJs), Exclusive economic zones (EEZs) ^b
CCSBT	ABNJs, EEZs
CTMFM	EEZ
GFCM	ABNJs, EEZs, territorial waters
IATTC	ABNJs, EEZs, territorial waters
ICCAT	ABNJs, EEZs
IOTC	ABNJs, EEZs, territorial waters
IPHC	EEZs, coastal waters
IWC	ABNJs, EEZs, territorial waters
LVFO	Inland waters

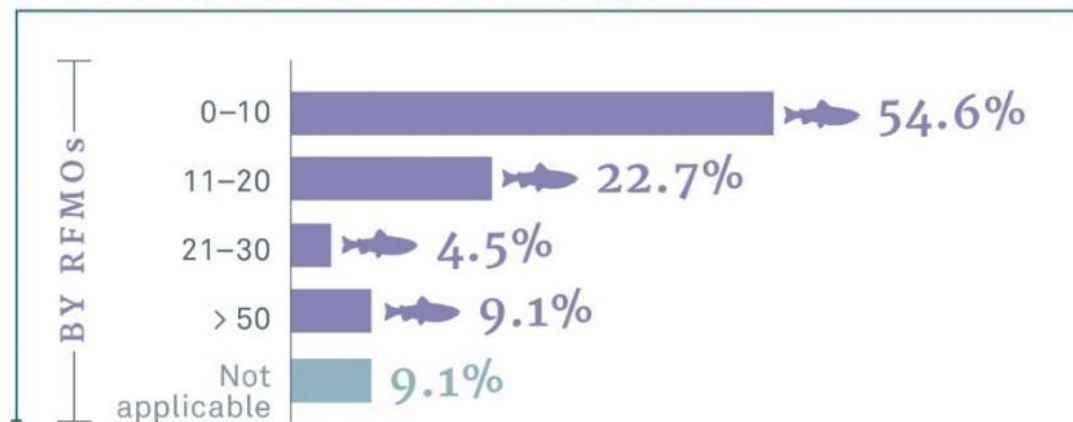
Acronym	Area of competence
NAFO	ABNJs, EEZs ^c
NASCO	ABNJs, EEZs
NEAFC	ABNJs, EEZs ^c
NPAFC	ABNJs
NPFC	ABNJs
PSC	Coastal waters, inland waters
RECOFI	EEZs
SEAFO	ABNJs
SIOFA	ABNJs
SPRFMO	ABNJs
WCPFC	ABNJs, EEZs



Fish stocks regularly assessed



How many fisheries are managed?



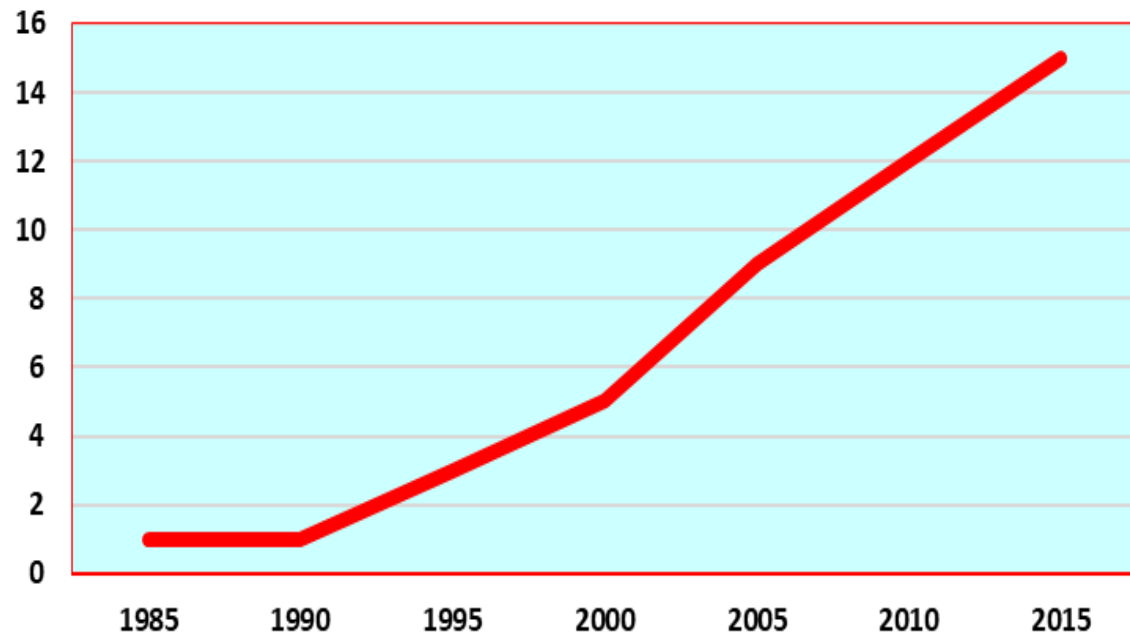
RFMOs

Adoption of conservation
and management measures

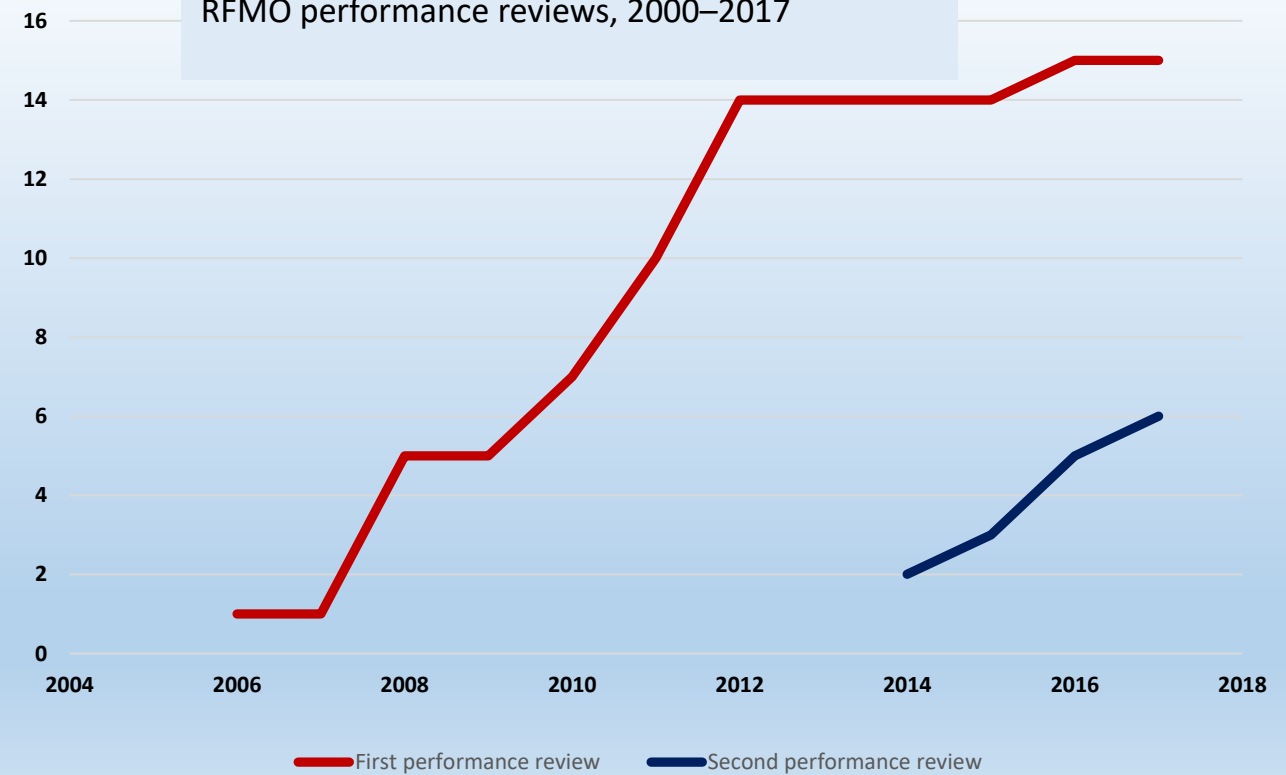
85%



Committees of compliance established over the years



RFMO performance reviews, 2000–2017





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Thanks for your attention

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