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Valuing Marine Ecosystems

Taking into account the value of ecosystem benefits in the Blue Economy



Recommendations

1. Include ecosystem valuation in marine management decision models
2. Promote harmonization of ecosystem services frameworks
3. Develop ecosystem services indicators to be included in monitoring programmes
4. Create open databases of marine ecosystem valuation study results
5. Enhance trans-disciplinarity – fundamental, social, economic, public health
6. Develop Natural Capital Accounting approaches
7. Set the right boundaries and scales



Underwater biodiversity (Echinus Esculentus) in Bretagne (France)



A regulating ecosystem service: the formation and melting of vast amounts of ice floating on the Arctic Ocean's sea surface plays a central role in solar climate and the global ocean circulation system.



Fishermen in the Gulf of Gascogne, France (2016)