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# WIO Symphony co-development



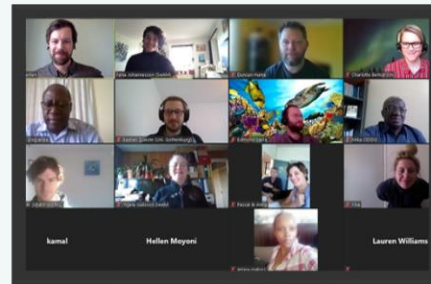
Introduction by Gustav Kågesten et al.



[www.nairobiconvention.org/wio-symphony](http://www.nairobiconvention.org/wio-symphony)

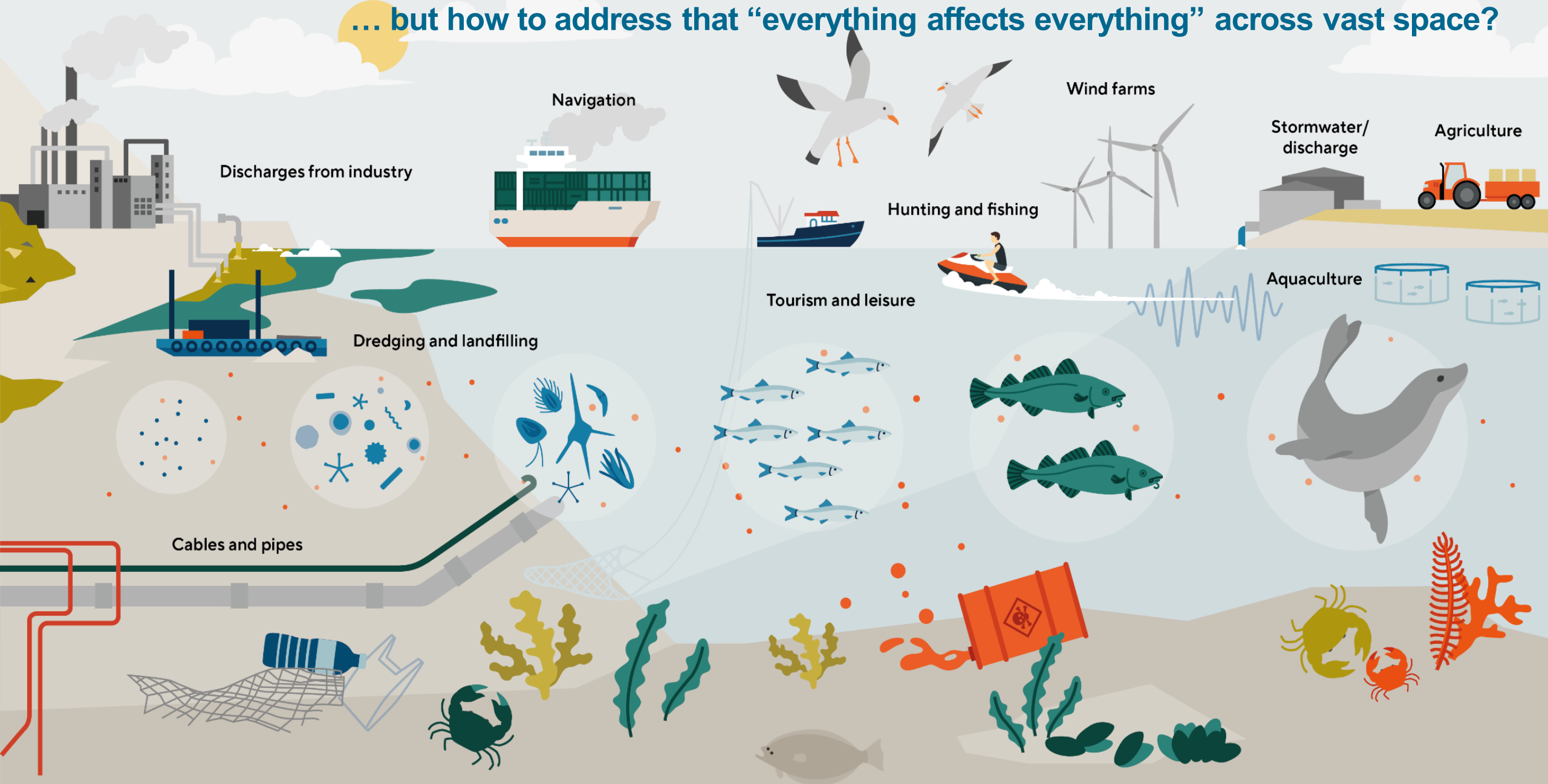
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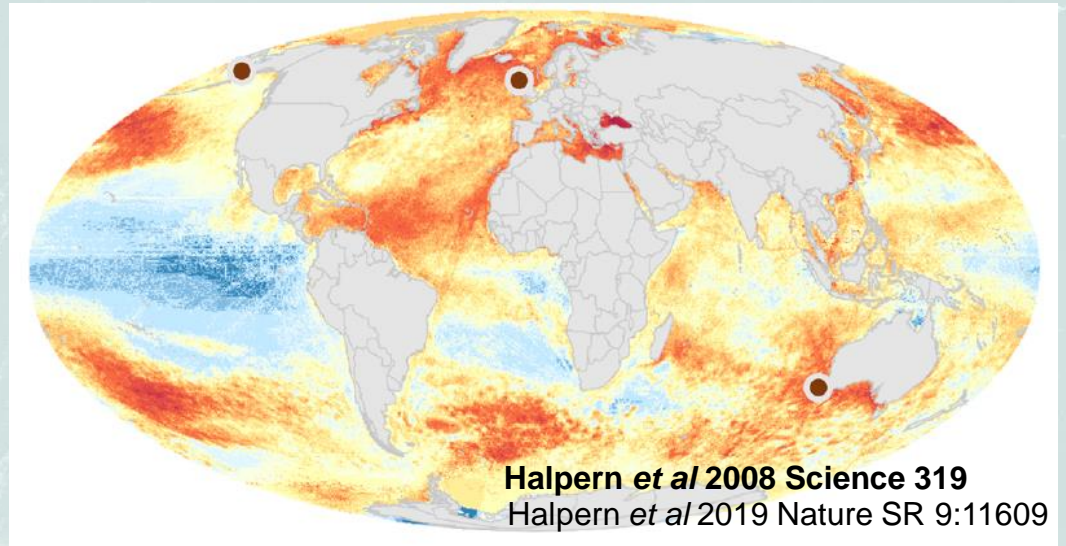
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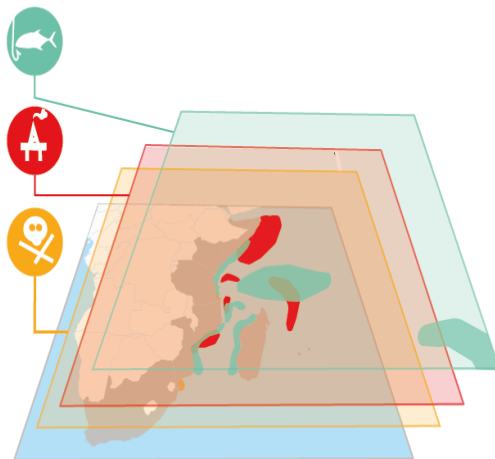
# Cumulative impact assessment

## Models behind the map



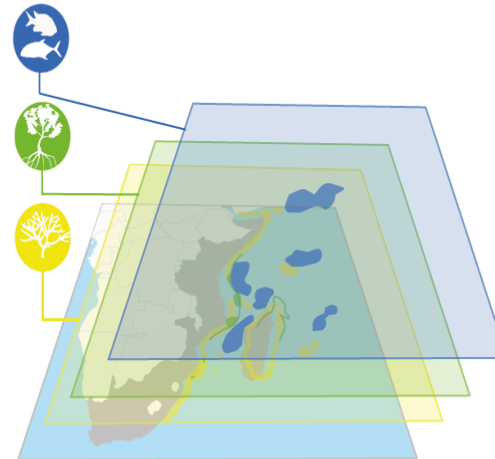
### Environmental pressures

From human activities



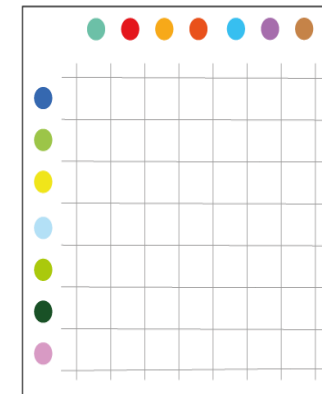
### Ecosystem components

Nature values



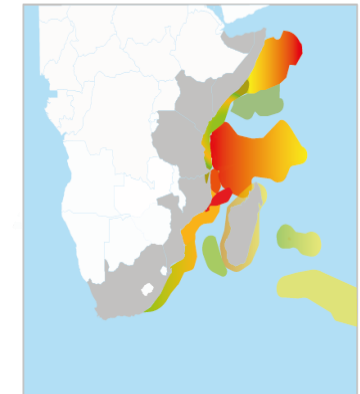
### Sensitivity matrix

The specific effect of each pressure on each eco-component



### Results

Figures and tables

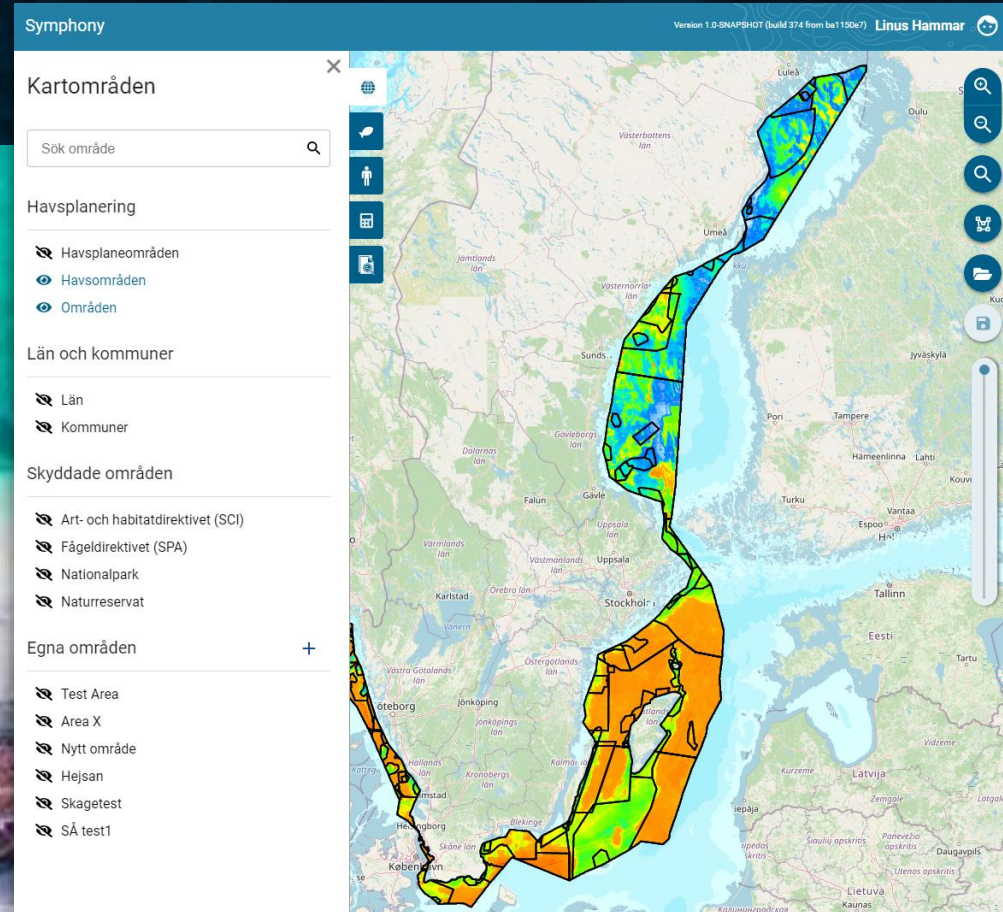
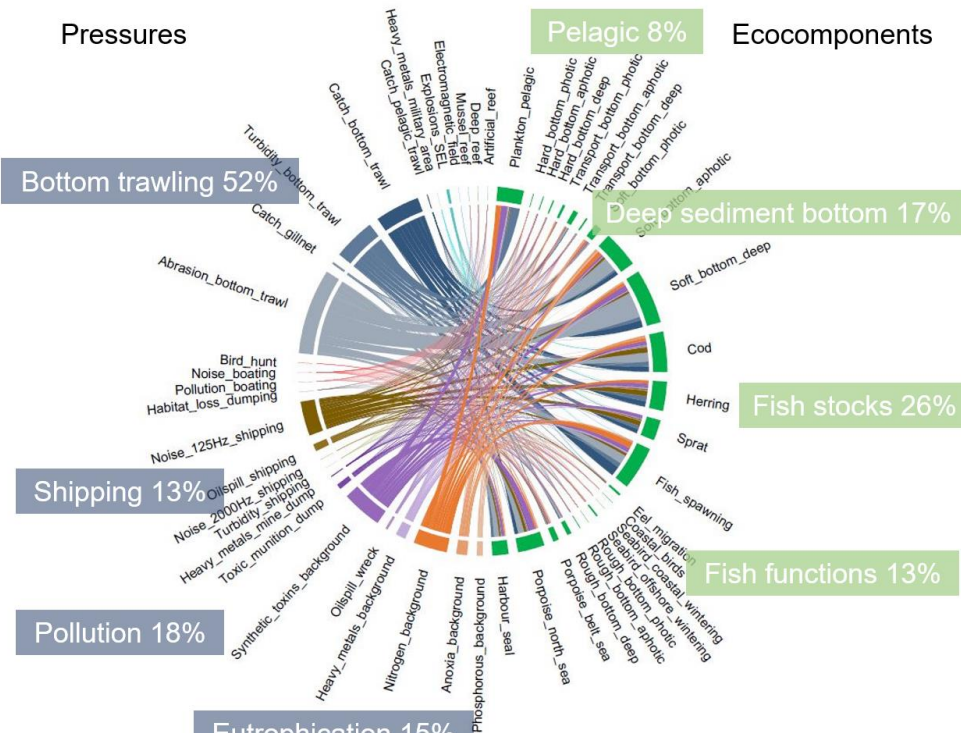






# Development of Symphony in Sweden

We collected a lot of spatial data, produced maps, and developed an analytic tool (software)

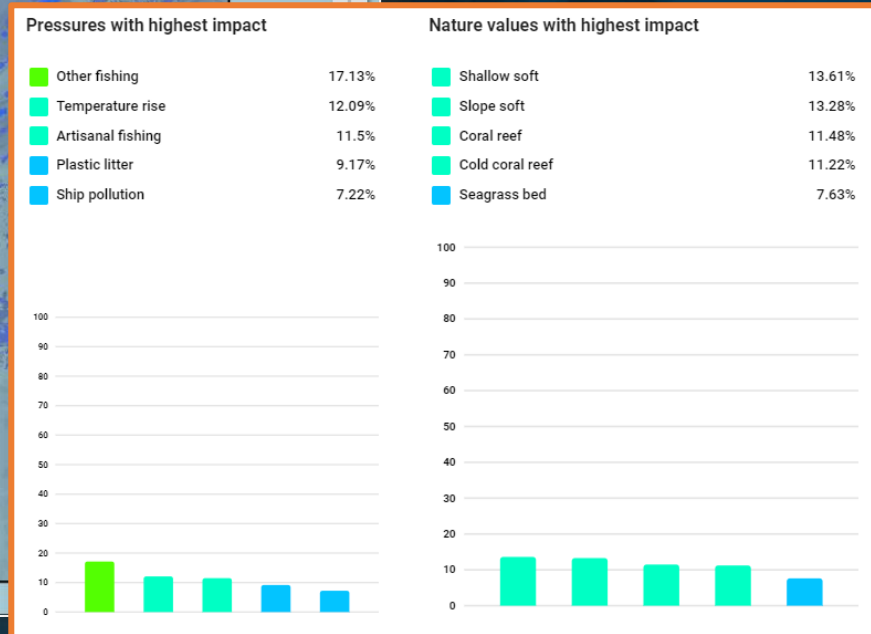
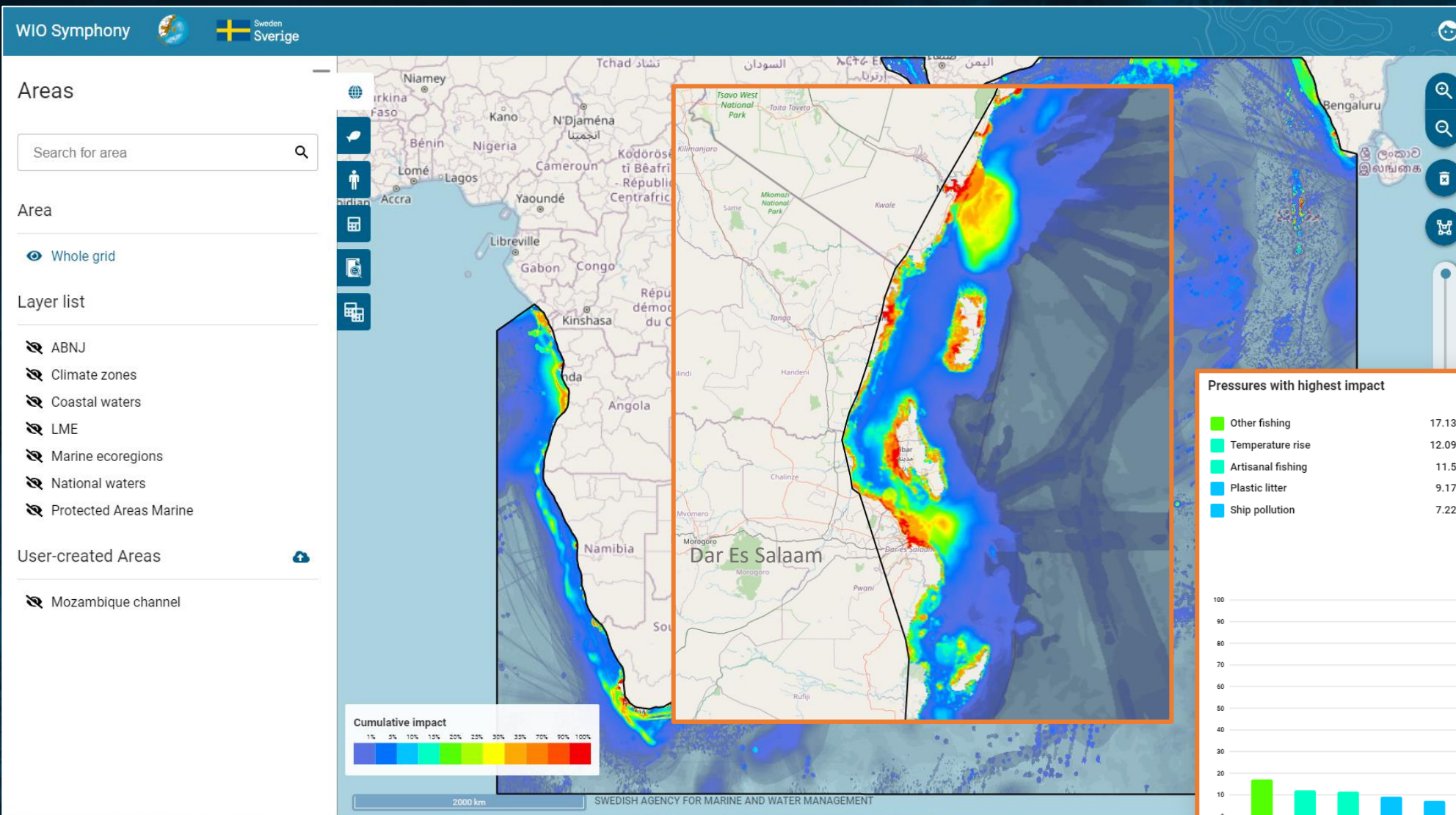




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## Areas

Search for area



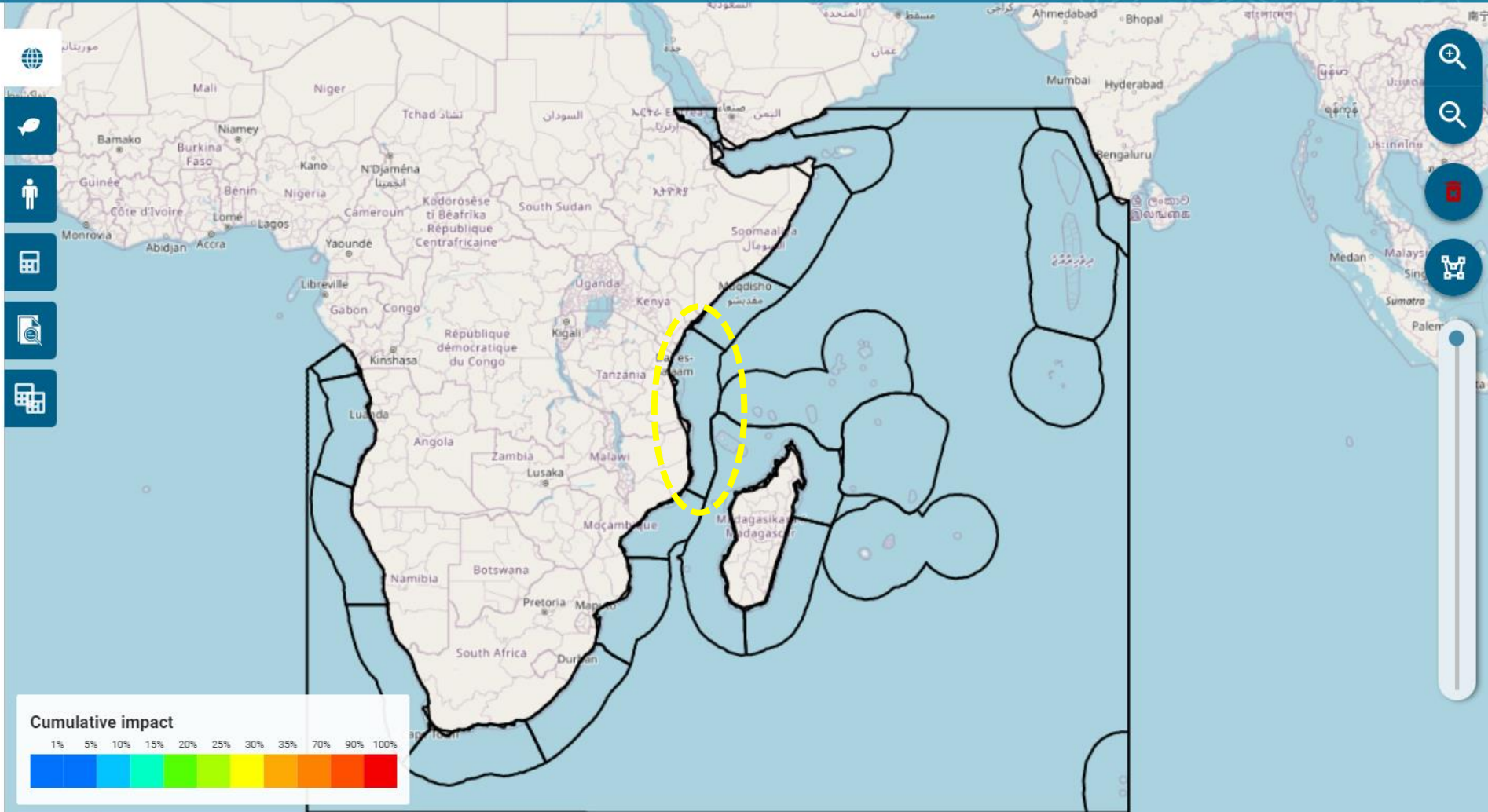
## Area

Whole grid

## Layer list

- ABNJ
- Climate zones
- Coastal waters
- LME
- Marine ecoregions
- National waters
- Protected Areas Marine

## User created areas



2000 km

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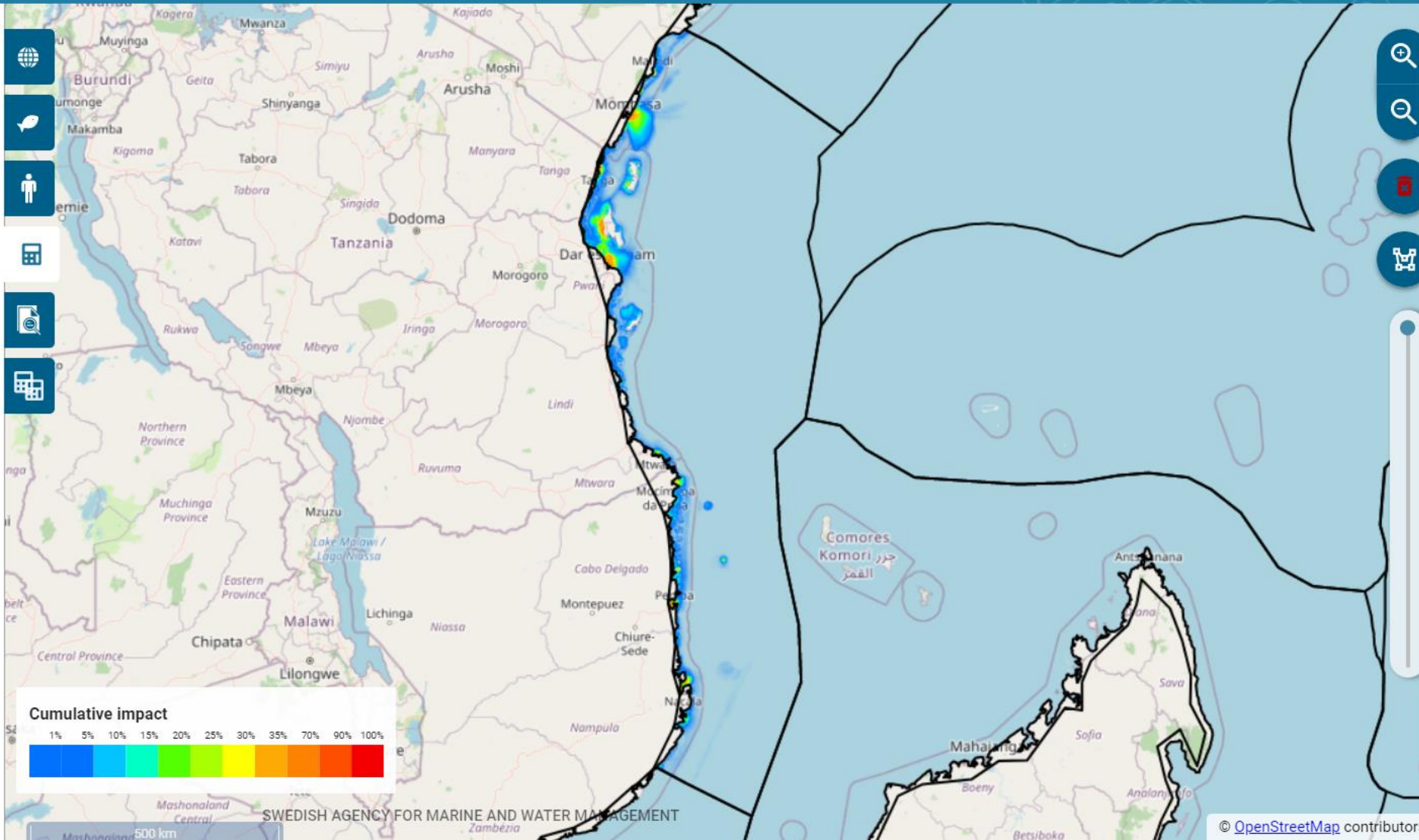
## Scenarios

No area selected

User scenarios



Baseline East African Coral Coast (200...  
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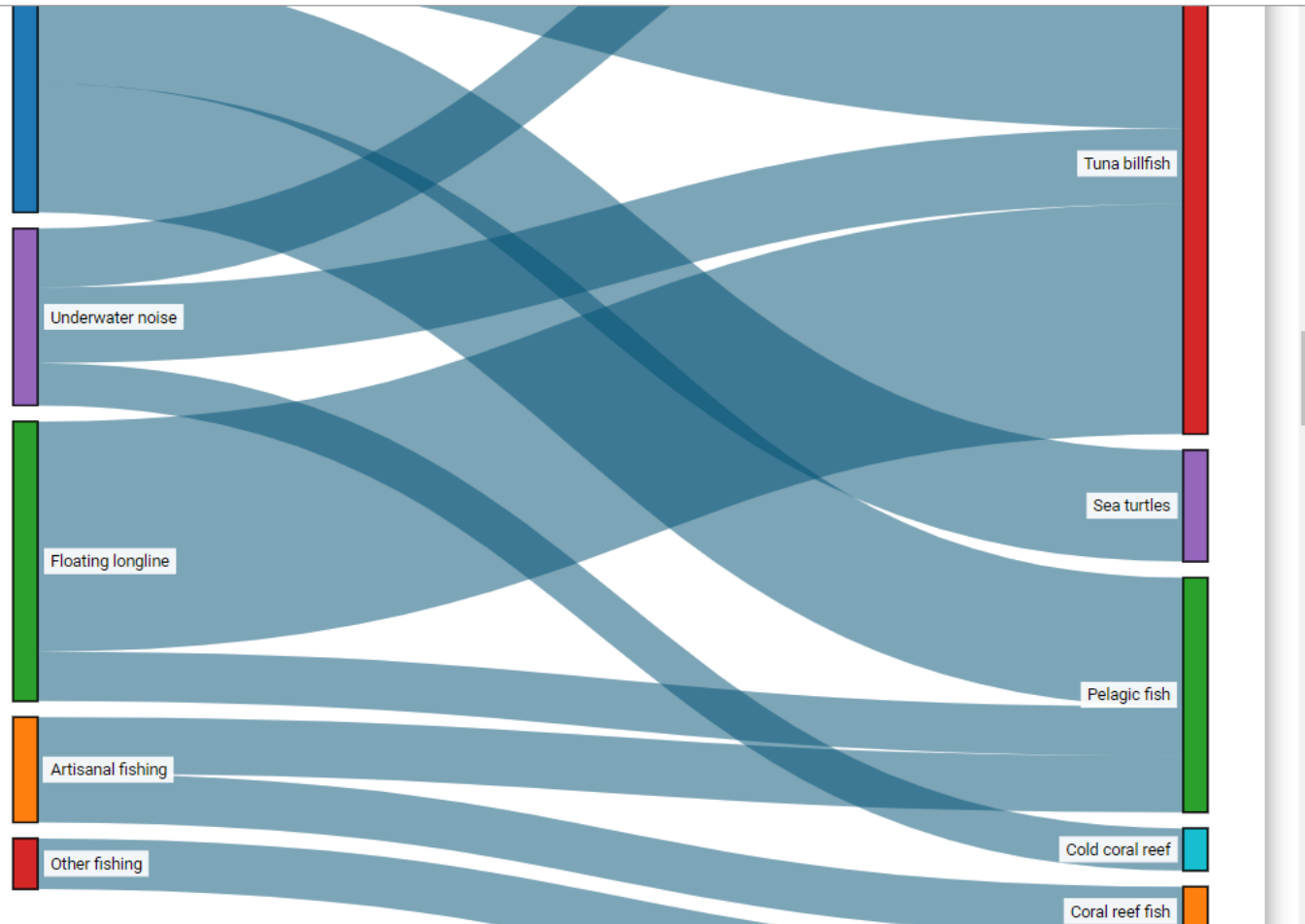


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## Calculation Report



OPEN IN NEW TAB

EXPORT AS CSV

EXPORT AS GEOTIFF

PRINT

DELETE

CALCULATE



# @ the Convention



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What we do

News

Events

Clearinghouse Mechanism



## Western Indian Ocean Symphony

Home / Western Indian Ocean Symphony

– a tool for ecosystem-based marine spatial planning –

[WIO Symphony](#) is a tool based on more than 60 ecology and human activity maps. It supports ecosystem-based Marine Spatial Planning by calculating cumulative impact over large areas and illustrating those that are under specific pressures. The tool also shows how different planning and policy measures can lead to a positive environmental impact in an area.

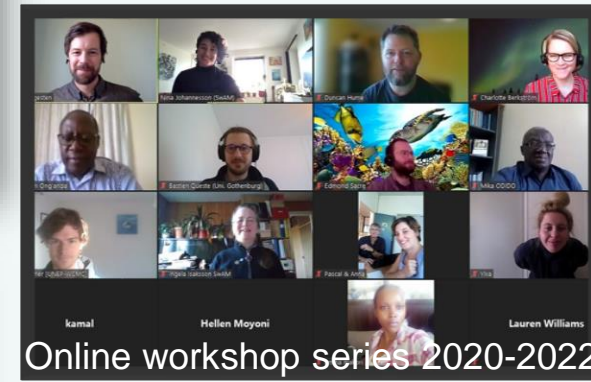


# WIO Symphony co-development



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- » **Technical Working Group (TWG)** through Nairobi Convention provides the core, representing 10 countries in WIO
- » **Swedish team** has experience of developing the Swedish Symphony tool
- » **Regional experts** and **national teams** add scientific information and advice
- » **International marine community** essential for data and collaboration
- » **Activities** include Workshops – Thematic Groups – Trainings – Data collection – Modeling – Review – Implementation



# WIO Symphony process

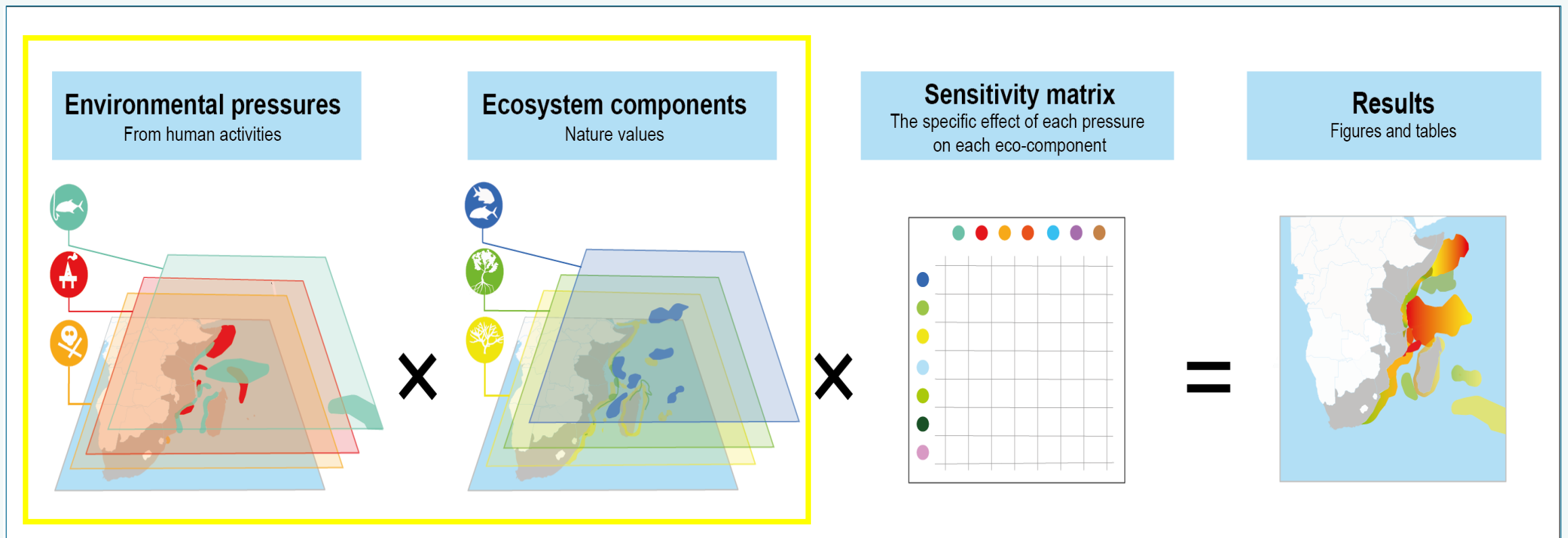
Open & inclusive, tailored for MSP

Transparent and reproducible

[github.com/WIOSymphony](https://github.com/WIOSymphony)



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# Framing the problems and possibilities

## WIO Symphony data workshops



"Areas with **strong commercial interests** might be more **difficult to obtain data** from, for example the oil or mining industries."

"Funding needed to give other data managers **incentives to contribute data**. Gap in human activities at a regional scale - how do we fill that management gap?"

"It is important to **clarify the intention of data usage early** on in order to gain confidence and through that participation from data owners"

"A lot of **trust issues**, people are not used to data sharing. Scientist **concerns about "perfect data"**

"Most of the **data** will have to be **desensitized** to remove commercially sensitive information

"The **main task** would be to have formalize a task team responsible for **collating data** that is collected at a **local level** into a coherent **national dataset** which could then be provided nationally. Data copyrights is not an issue here"

"Mapping of existing data and establishing collaboration and collection of that data is resource demanding, **the more restricted the more resource demanding** the process"

"The **challenge** with regional data sharing platforms is the **difference in data policies for member states** that limit national agencies capacity to share data."

"Some data may be commercially sensitive or government owned. **The lack of central archives can be a challenge.**"

"**The openness of data may depend on who asks for it** and in which format the request is presented. Sometimes a national country level demand has an easier path communicating on government level, sometimes a request from an organization such as the Nairobi convention might be more successful than a request from an internal national government agency"



Coastal  
Development

Shipping

**Thematic workshops**  
> Tailor the tool to WIO MSP

Open ocean habitats



Reptiles

Mammals



Recreation



Offshore



Fish



Temperate habitats



Fishing



Pollution  
& litter



Climate  
change



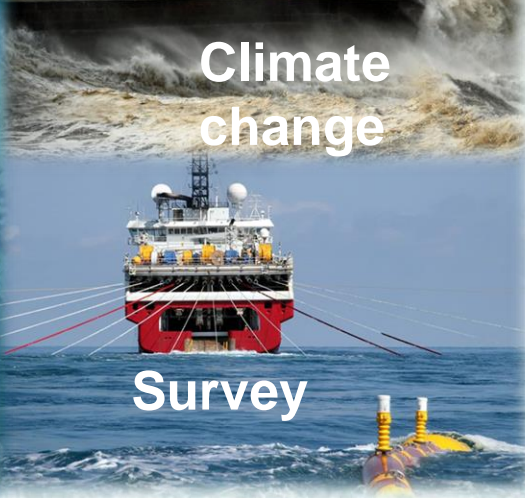
Invertebrates

Tropical habitats



Aquaculture

Seabed  
mining



Survey



Deep sea





2021 United Nations Decade  
2030 of Ocean Science  
for Sustainable Development

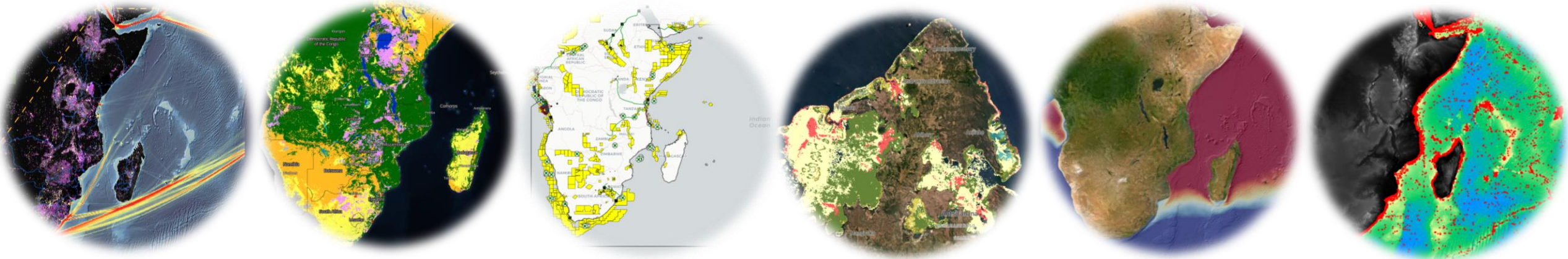
# The decade of Ocean Science..

## The dawn of digitalisation..

### Open data is the fuel!



THE GLOBAL GOALS



WIO Symphony data contributors and counting...



and more...



# WIO Symphony grid

Habitat to management scale – local to regional

*Data collection* ~2 deg > Analysis area

Lat 42 S, 18 N

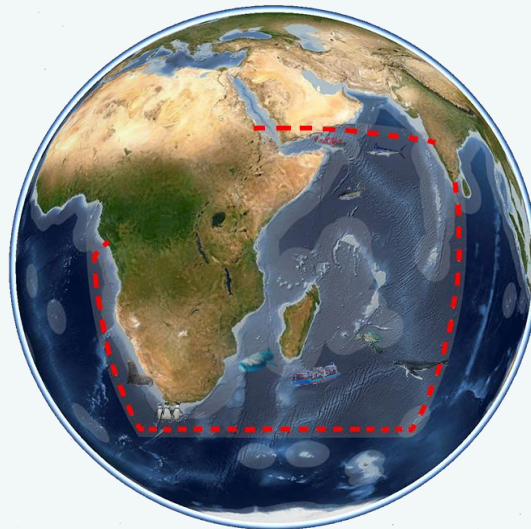
Long 6 E, 80 E

Projection: Lambert Cylindrical Equal Area

Resolution: ~1km, 250m, 50m

Limited by data, not grid resolution

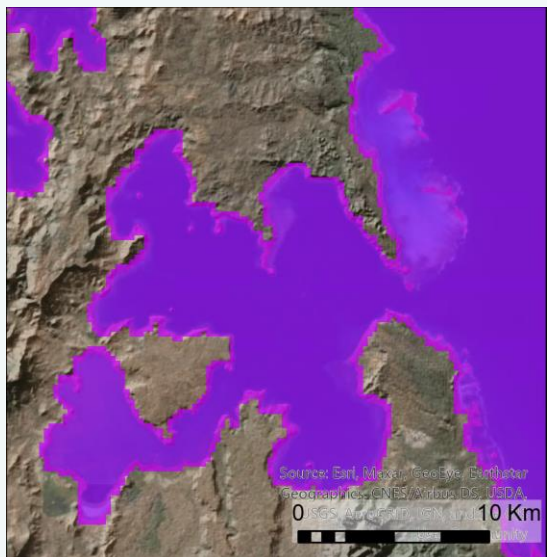
Shoreline: SRTM Water Body (~30m)



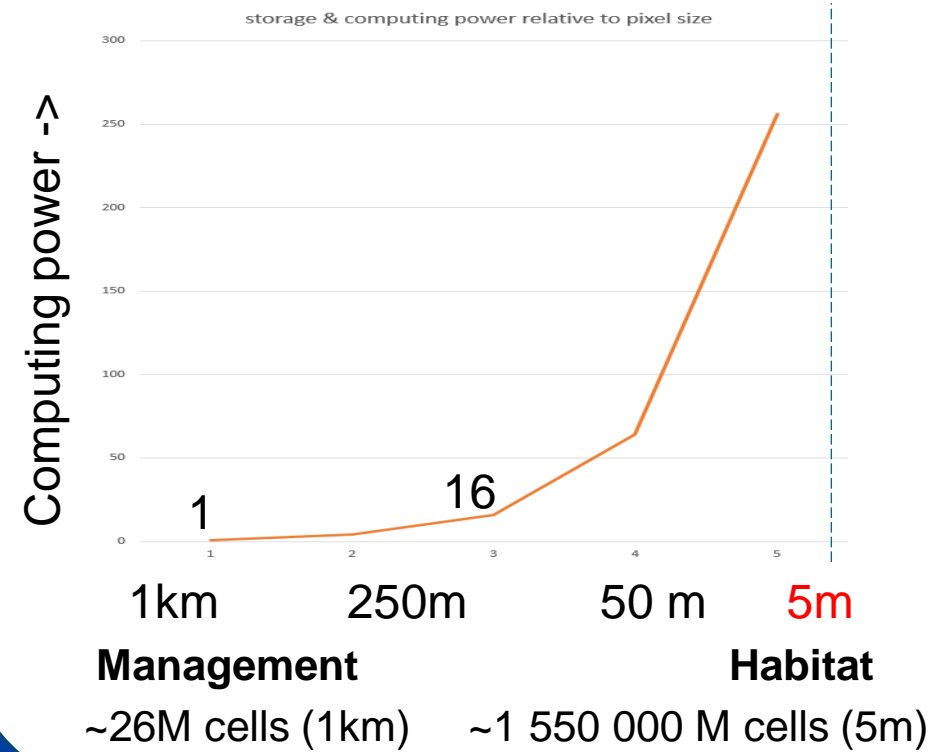
SRTM water mask (~30m res)

250m grid & water mask

1km grid & water mask



The data resolution challenge 60 000



Future update could improve delineation of the estuarine environments



# WIO Symphony Data Process

from habitat scale to management scale

Fresh ingredients and a well organised kitchen

The image shows two parts: on the left, a screenshot of the 'ALLEN CORAL ATLAS' web interface with a legend for 'Benthic Map' including Coral/Algae, Microalgal Mats, Rock, Rubble, Sand, Seagrass, and Unknown. On the right, a file explorer view of the 'wiosym' directory, showing subfolders like '.git', '.Rproj.user', 'arcgis', 'data', 'data\_raw', 'activity', 'adm', 'eco', 'coral', 'nat', 'reg', 'allen', '20200824', 'benthic', 'boundary', 'geomorphic', 'license and documentation', 'Satellite Reef Imagery', 'stats', 'download\_info.txt', 'wcmc', 'fish', 'mangrove', and 'marine\_mammals'. The 'benthic' folder contains 'benthic.kml' and 'benthic.shp' files.

Cookbook & oven

Data processing  
- open source  
- reproducible

```
# coral indata full
dir(path_raw, recursive=T, pattern=".shp")
coral_sf_full <- st_read(paste(path_raw, "reg/allen/20200824/benthic/bent",
coral_sf_wcmc_full <- st_read(paste(path_raw, "reg/wcmc/20200317/14_001_w",

# wiosym grid
dir("data/grid/reg/v00/") #optional inputs: recursive = T, pattern = ""
grid_1km <- raster("data/grid/reg/v00/grid_1km_v00.tif")
grid_250m <- raster("data/grid/reg/v00/grid_250m_v00.tif")
outfile <- paste(path_data, "grid_1km_na_", version, ".tif", sep="")
grid_1km_na <- raster("data/grid/reg/v00/grid_1km_na_v00.tif")
grid_250m_na <- raster("data/grid/reg/v00/grid_250m_na_v00.tif")
grid_poly <- st_read("data/grid/reg/v00/bounding_box/wto_bounding_box_v0",

# map Allen coral area (Allen coral atlas) from shape to raster grid ----
coral_sf <- coral_sf_full
glimpse(coral_sf)
unique(coral_sf$class)
class(coral_sf)

#select coral polygons
coral_sf_sel1 <- coral_sf %>%
  filter(class=="Coral/Algae") %>%
  mutate(class_code=class) %>%
  mutate(class_code = recode(class, "Coral/Algae" = "1")) %>%
  mutate(class_code = as.numeric(class_code))
# recode(class_code, "Coral/Algae" = 1)
glimpse(coral_sf_sel1)

# conversion from coral shape to raster
write_coral_files_to_work_directory_for_gdalutil
st_write(coral_sf_sel1, paste(path_work, "coral_r_sel1_full.shp", sep=""))

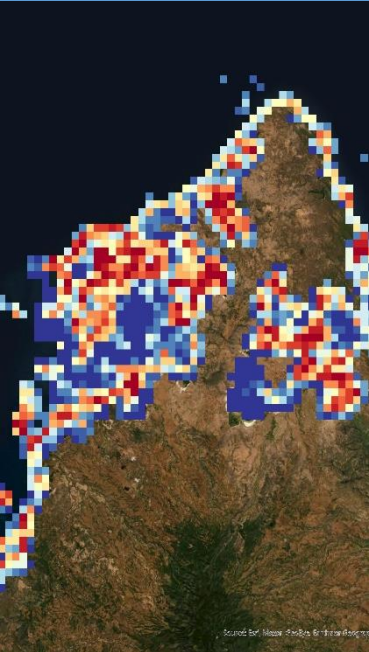
# write empty grid for gdalutil work
write_raster(grid_1km_na, paste(path_work, "grid_1km_na_coral_allen_full.tif", sep=""))
write_raster(grid_250m_na, paste(path_work, "grid_250m_na_coral_allen_full.tif", sep=""))

# 1km grid mapping
coral_warped <- gdal_rasterize(src_datasource = paste(path_work, "coral_r_sel1_full.shp", sep=""),
  dst_filename = paste(path_work, "coral_warped_1km.tif", sep=""),
  a = "class_code",
  output_Raster = TRUE,
)

# 250m grid mapping
coral_warped <- gdal_rasterize(src_datasource = paste(path_work, "coral_r_sel1_full.shp", sep=""),
  dst_filename = paste(path_work, "coral_warped_250m.tif", sep=""),
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Main course

Maps of corals  
- combined sources  
- standardised



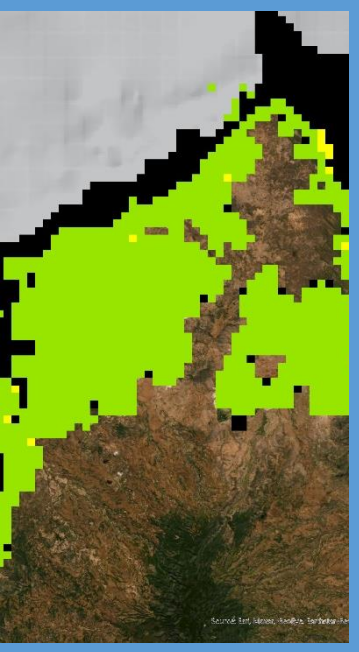
Side dish

Maps of potential corals  
- env. proxy  
- caution areas



Precautions

Uncertainty  
- maps  
- metadata





# Source data – R shiny app



WIOSym data upload  
Please fill in the details of the dataset below. Once you have done that click "Submit". Then you can add your data to the folder specified below.

**\*required input**

**Import existing metadata**  
Only you can import existing metadata. Input the id, metadata by the associated with the data to load the metadata into the shiny app.

**Uploaded by user \***  
Please provide your initials (e.g. "W1") - do not enter your full name.

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If the data provider is not on the list, you may input the provider name manually. If you use manual input for the provider, please use an abbreviated version of the provider name. For example, if the provider is Global Fishing Watch, you could use "GF" as the provider. You may add further information about the provider in the additional comments section below.

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**Citation**  
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Please choose a source location for the dataset. Choose "Regional" for international/regional datasets in the WIO, country codes for national data and "Global" for datasets with a full global extent.

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App to organise & track data sources

Open code and data github.com/wiosymphony

Products Made to be remade...

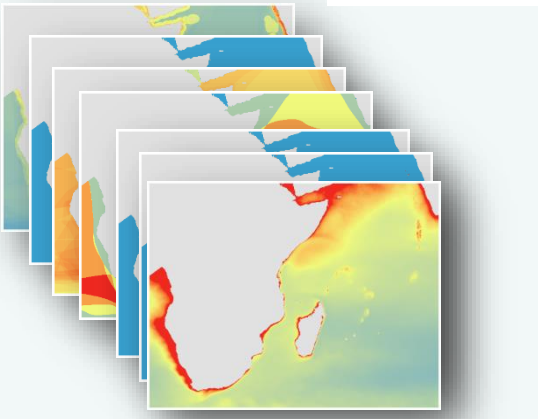
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Find a repository... Type Language Sort New

**WIOSym\_InfoChannel** Public  
UPDATE, PUBLIC INFO UNDER CONSTRUCTION  
1 star 1 fork Updated on 4 Mar

**wiosym** Private  
Main directory for all wiosym files (code, metadata, folders - no data files), kept private for now  
1 star 1 fork Updated on 15 Dec 2021

**SNIC**  
Swedish National Infrastructure for Computing



World Wide Fund for Nature  
World Resources Institute  
UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre  
U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
The Nature Conservancy

Other providers

Ocean Biogeographic Information System

NASA Earth Observations

Literature

International Union for the Conservation of Nature

HUB Ocean

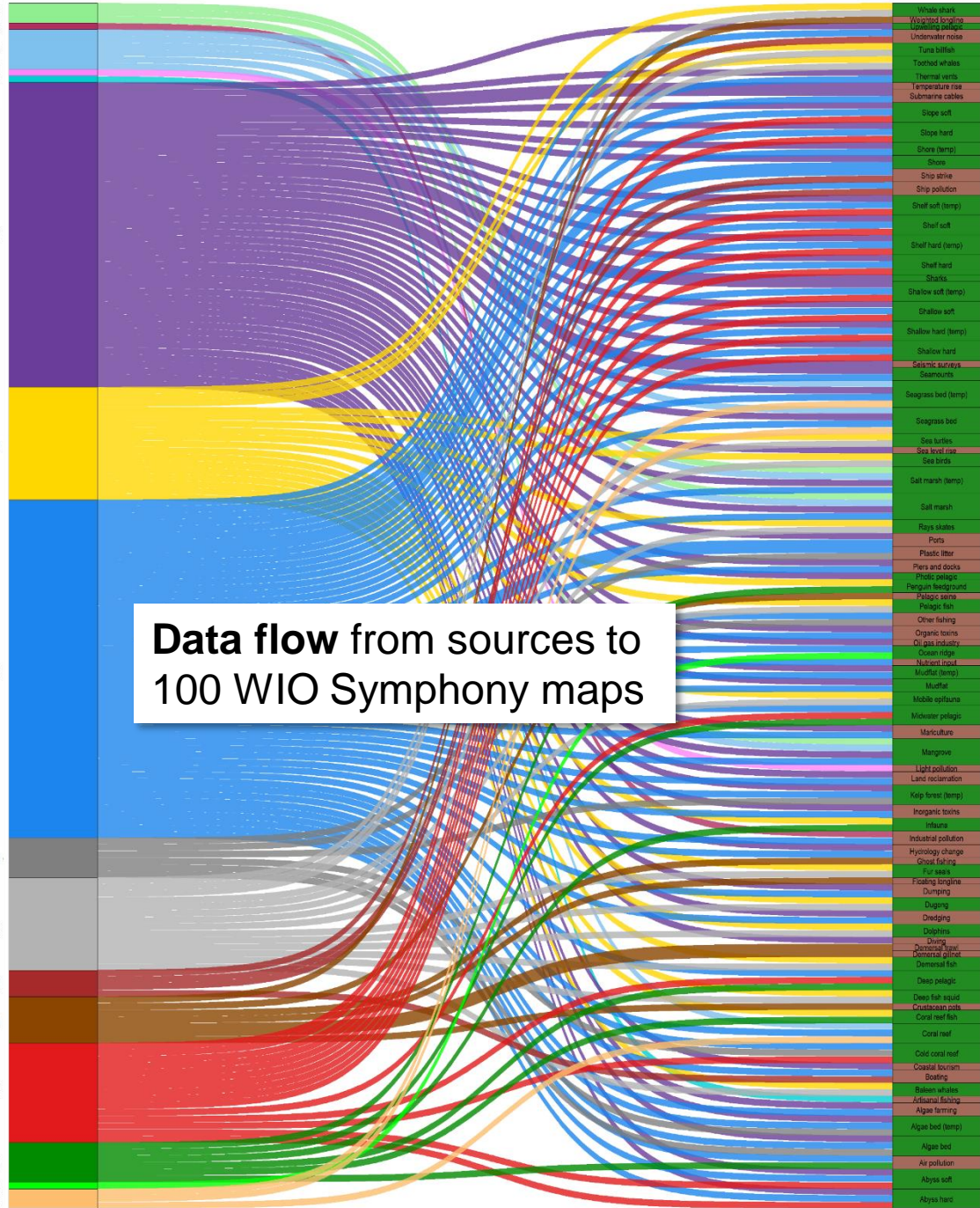
Global Fishing Watch

General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans

EU Copernicus

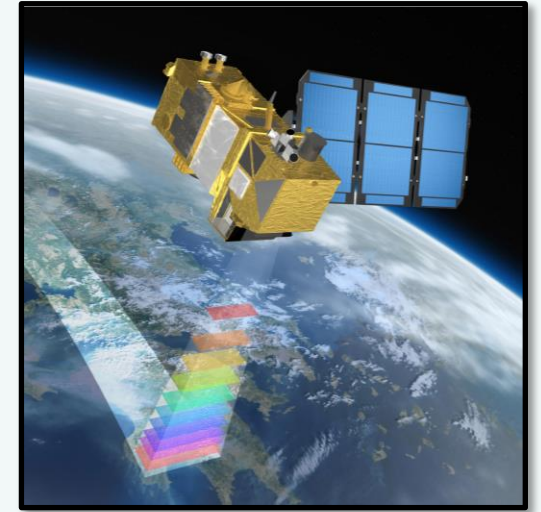
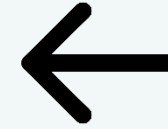
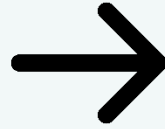
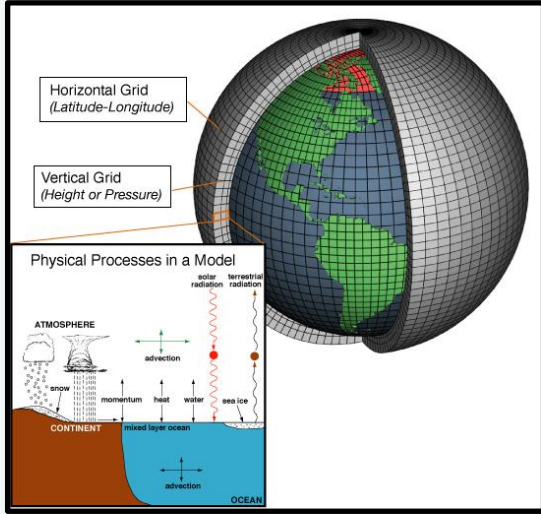
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Allen Coral Atlas

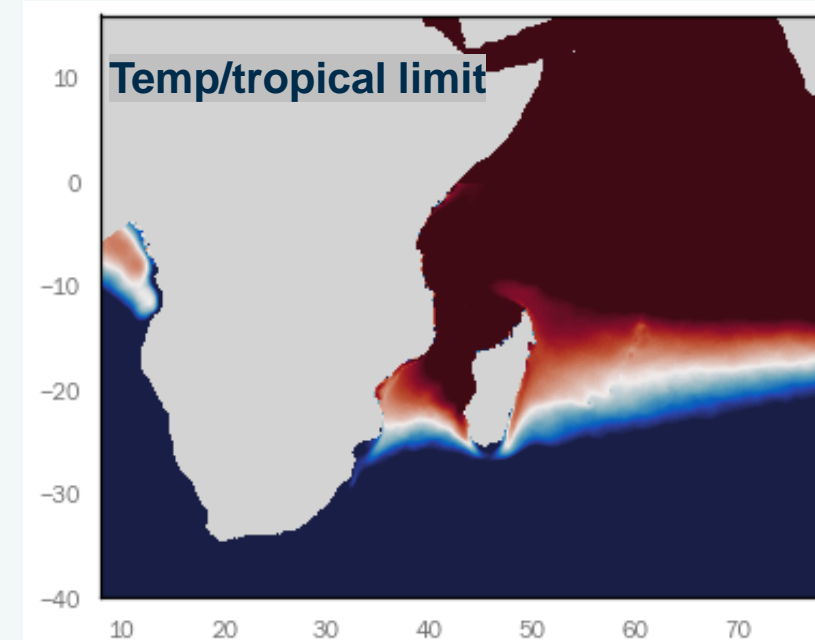
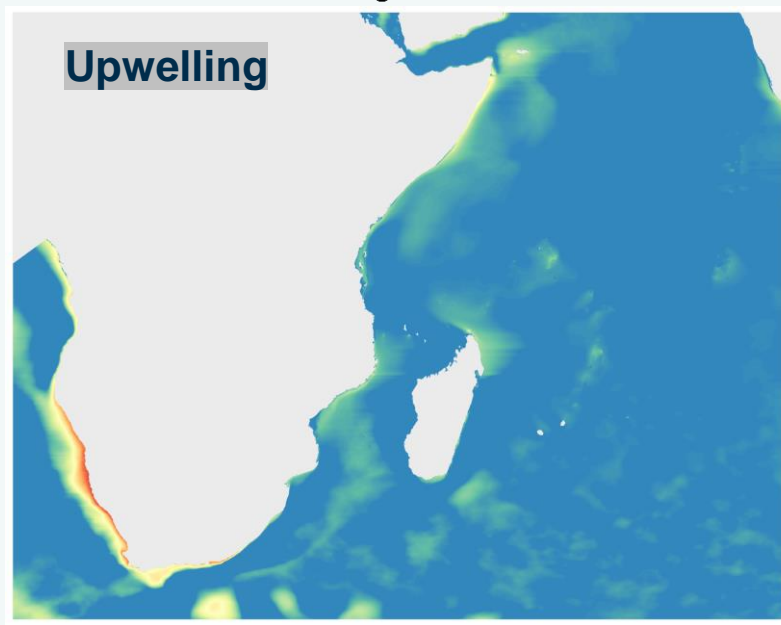


# Pelagic habitats

Sourced & compiled into yearly averages directly from Copernicus Marine Service



Processing by Dr. B. Queste, Gothenburg University



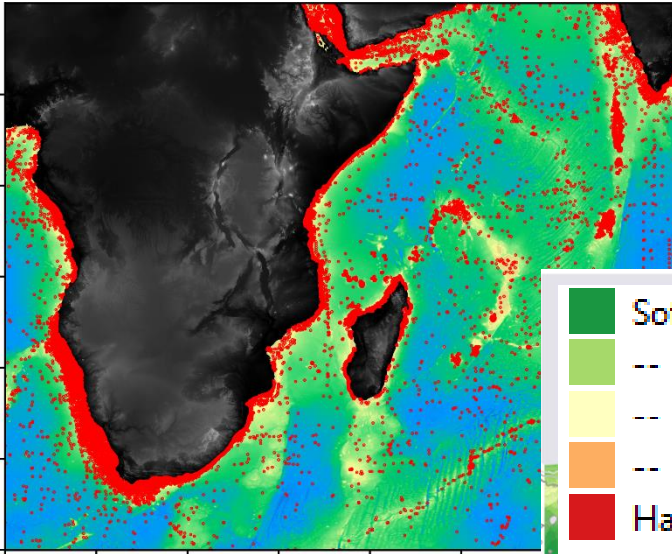


# A new WIO substrate model developed



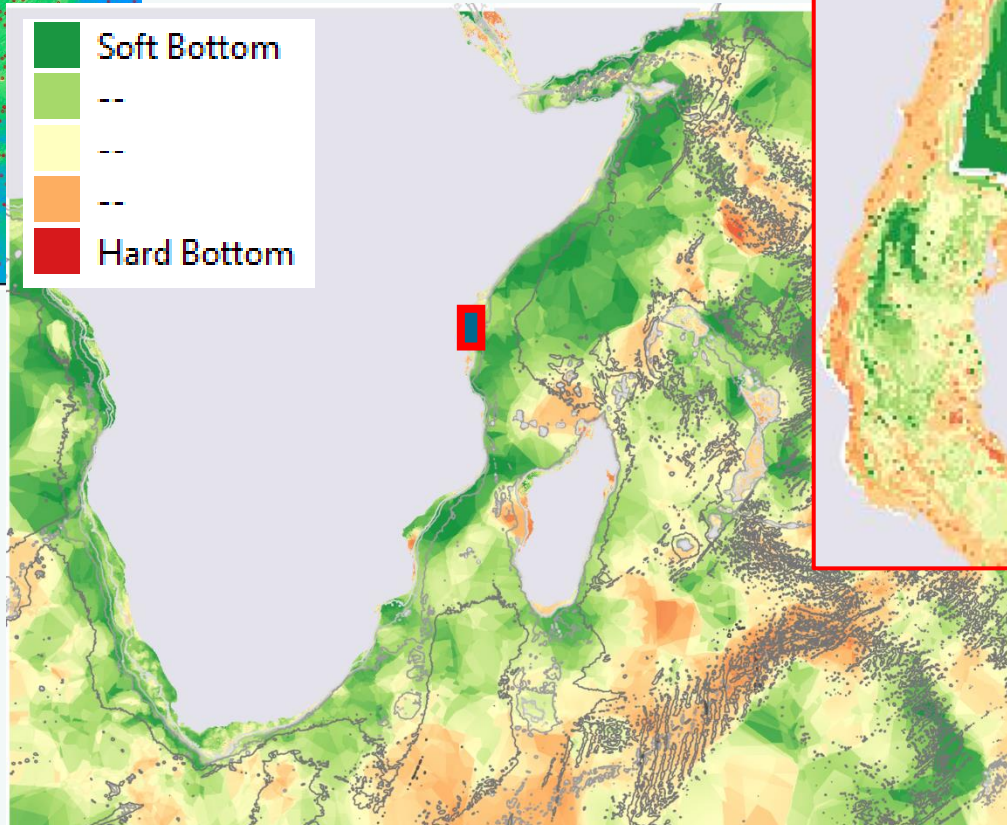
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Proj: Data Distribution



WIO: 498+ datasets,  
167,000+ observations

**dbSEABED** database –  
worldwide coverage  
“[tinyurl.com/dbseabed/](https://tinyurl.com/dbseabed/)”



Example detail



**Seafloor type: hard  
vs soft bottom**

**dbSEABED**

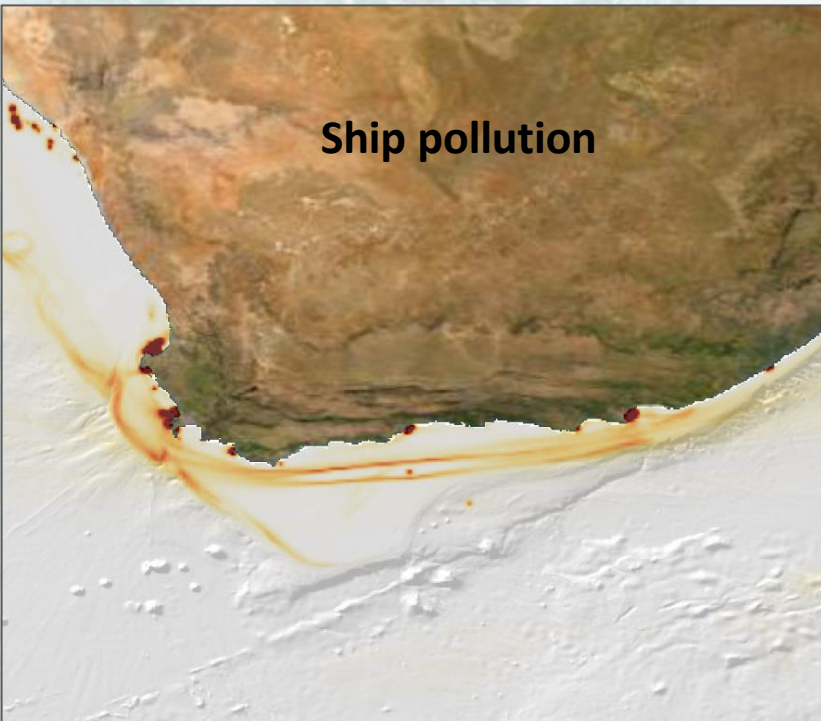
Based in Boulder Colorado,  
but with many international  
partners

Dr. Chris JENKINS, PI

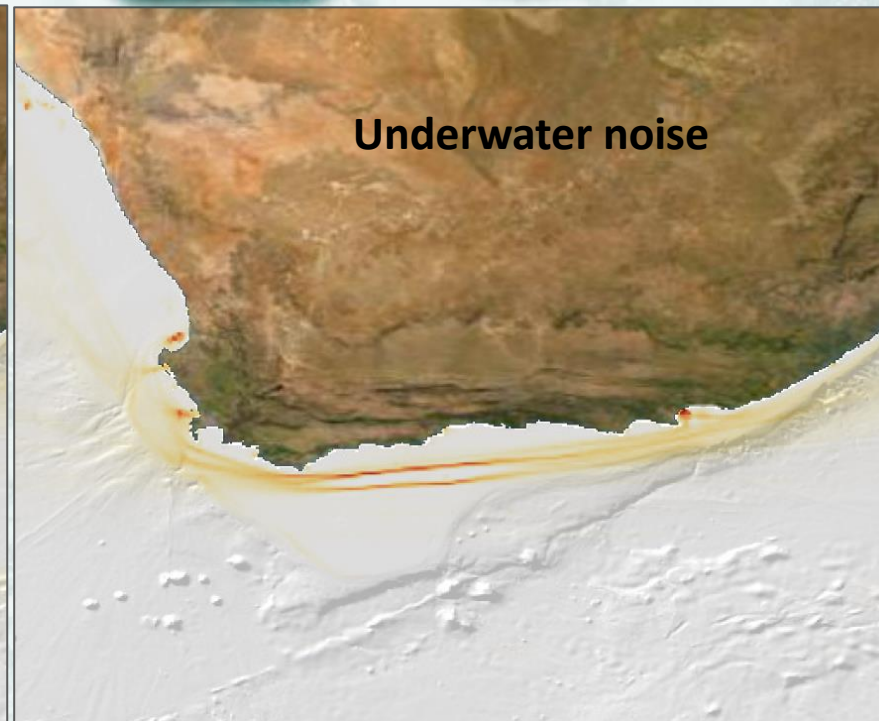


# Shipping - pressures from activities

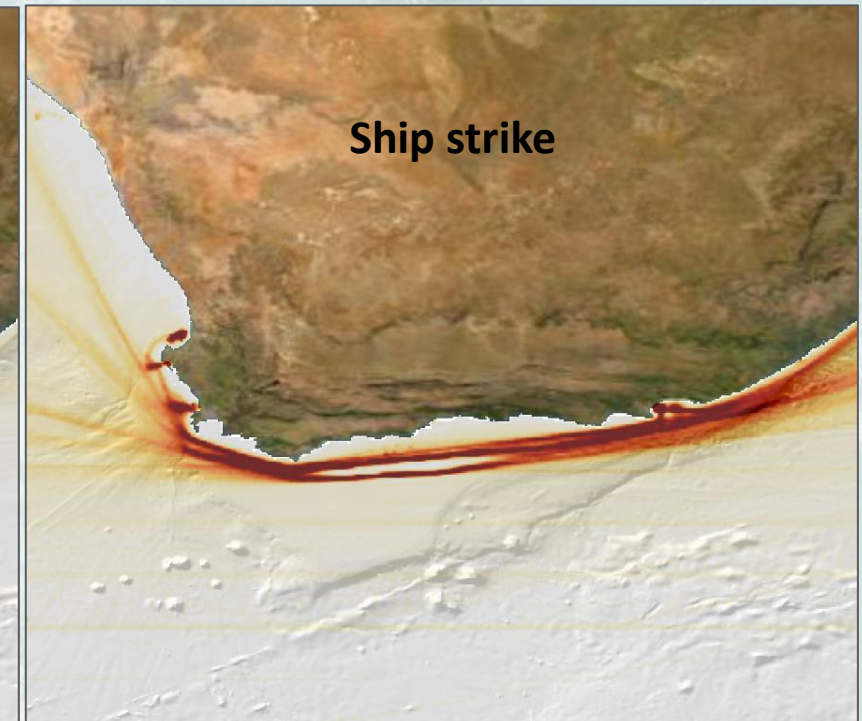
AIS data 2020-2022 provided by hubocean.earth



**Ship pollution**



**Underwater noise**



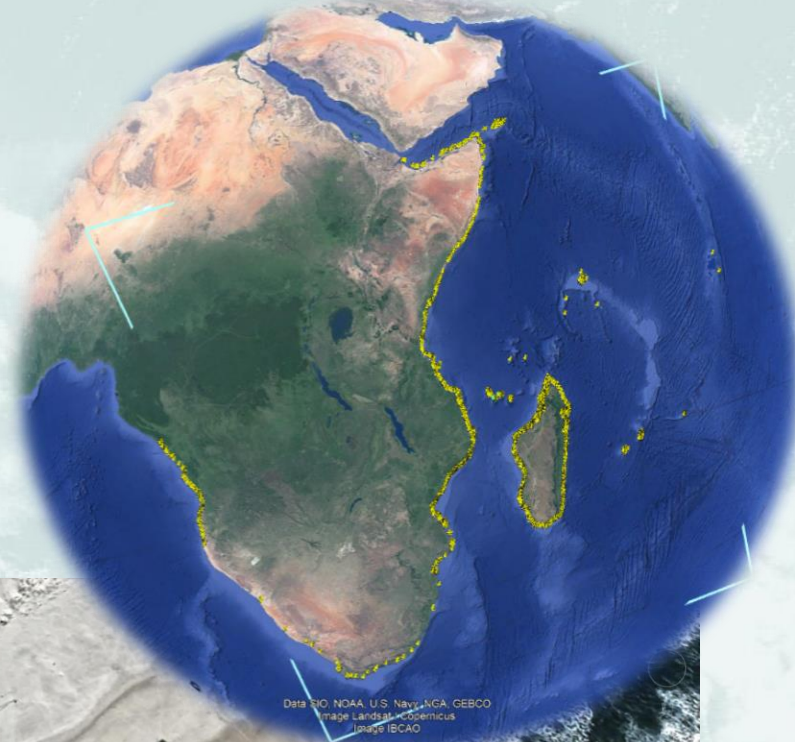
**Ship strike**



# Manual data collection and GIS

Aquaculture  
Artisanal fishing  
Tourism  
Piers and docks

Artisanal fishing

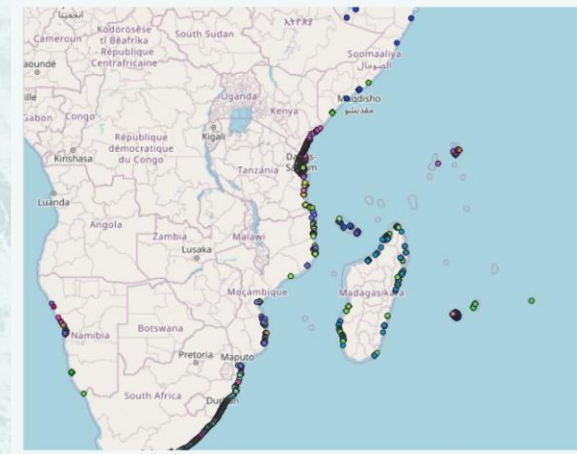
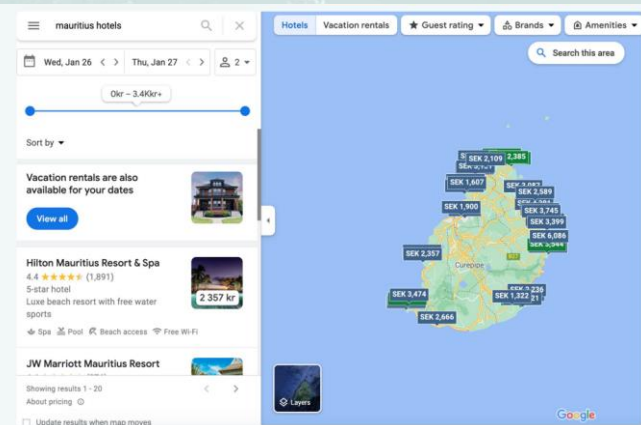


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## Coastal tourism

- » Remote sensing satellite photos
- » Google Maps and Google Earth
- » Searching for hotels within 1 km from the shoreline







Google Earth

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Bilddatum: 15-6-2004 21°50'34.90"S 35°26'58.56"E höjd 0 m visningshöjd 81 m

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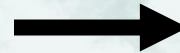
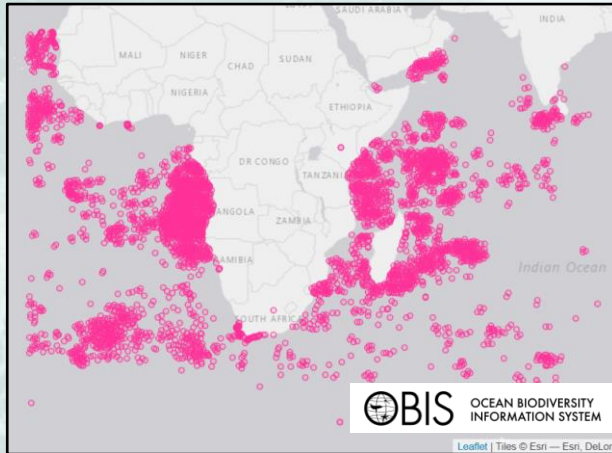
# Machine learning Modelling new maps from observations



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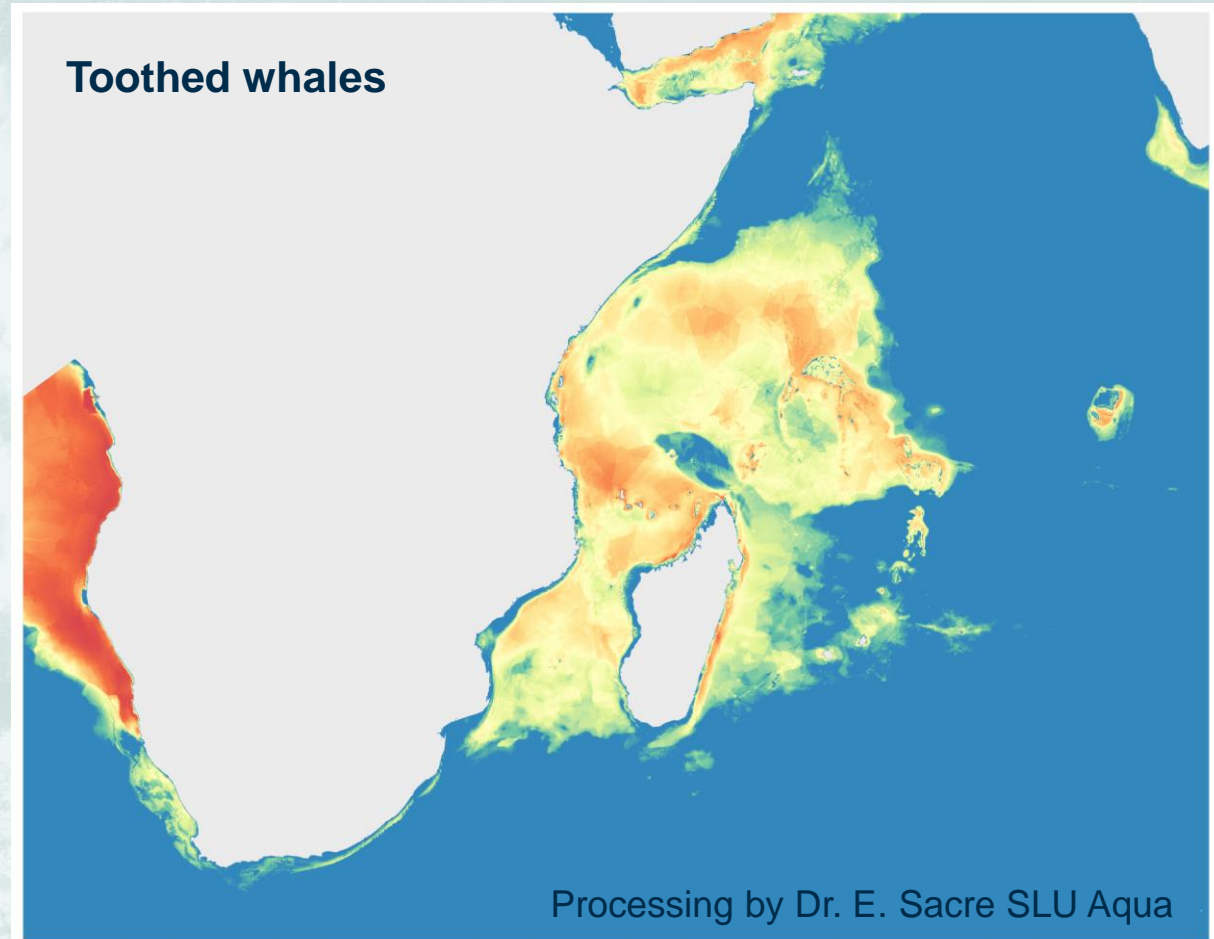
## Sperm whales

### Observations



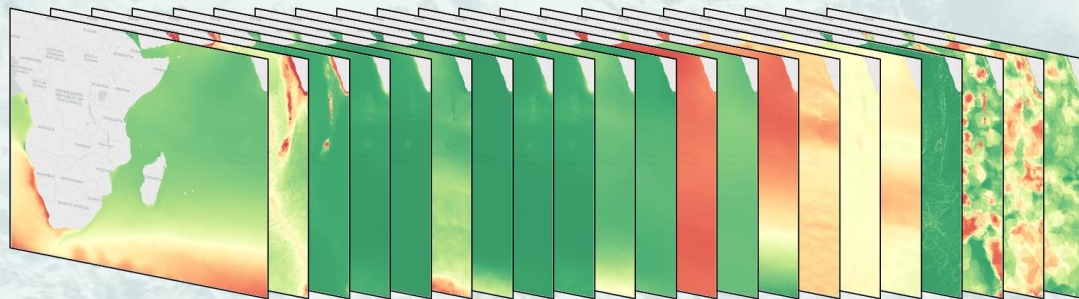
### Predicted map

#### Toothed whales



Processing by Dr. E. Sacre SLU Aqua

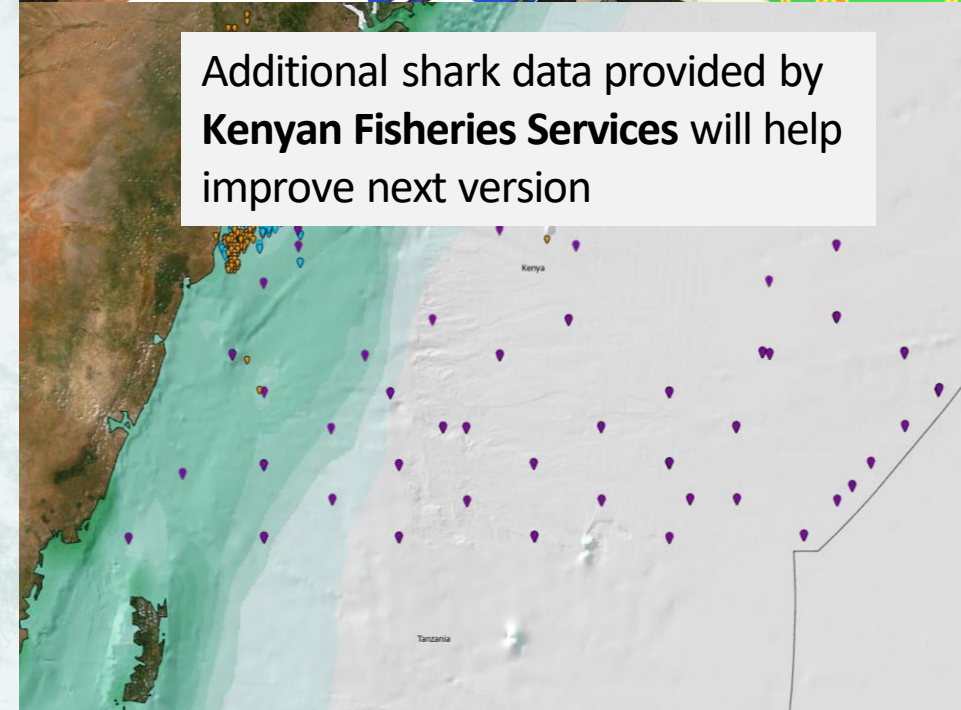
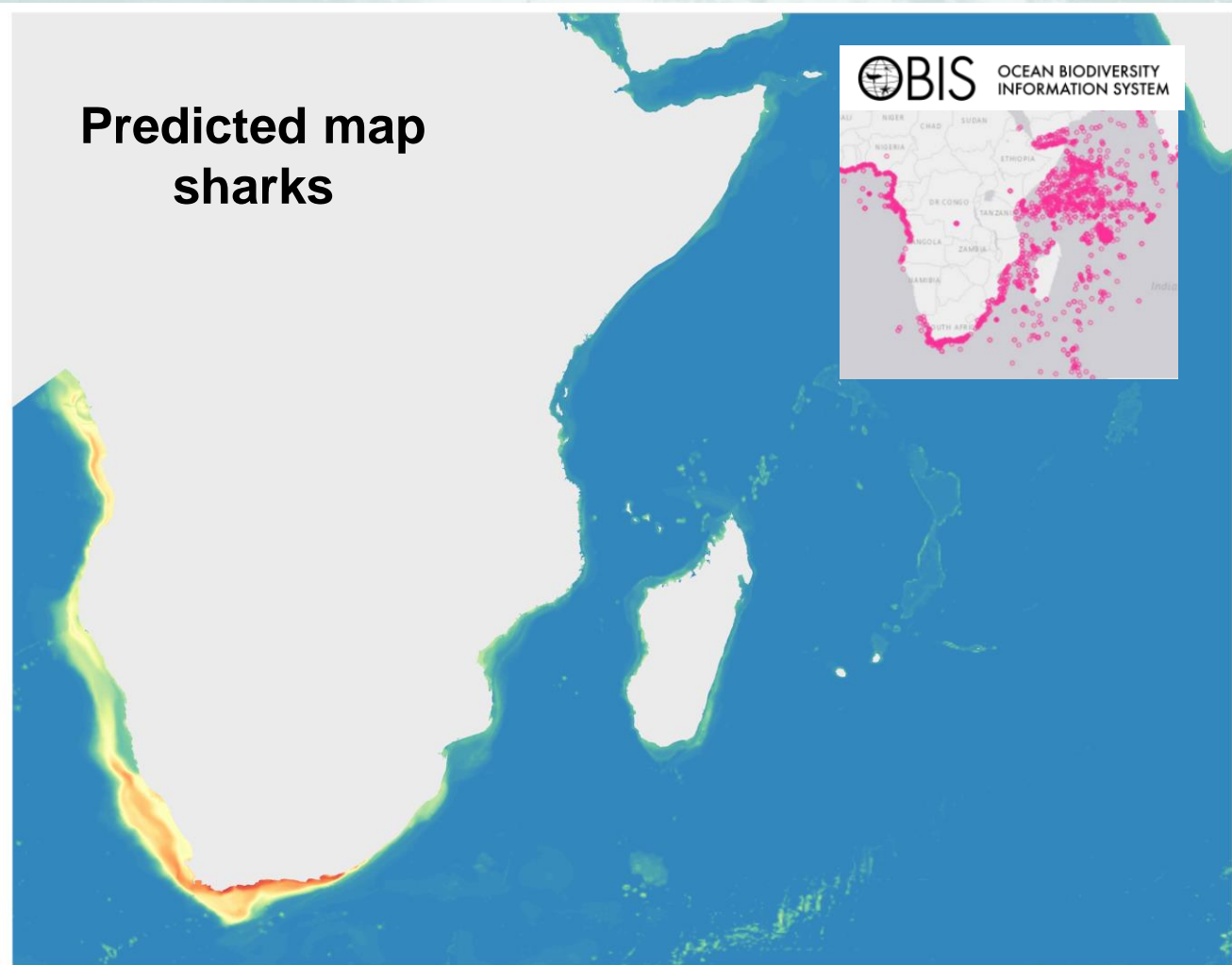
### Predictor layers (temperature, salinity, productivity, etc.)





Predictive modelling help  
unlock data from global to local dataset

Potential future updates  
Reef fish collaboration with CORDIO  
Improved shark model (new data from KeFS)





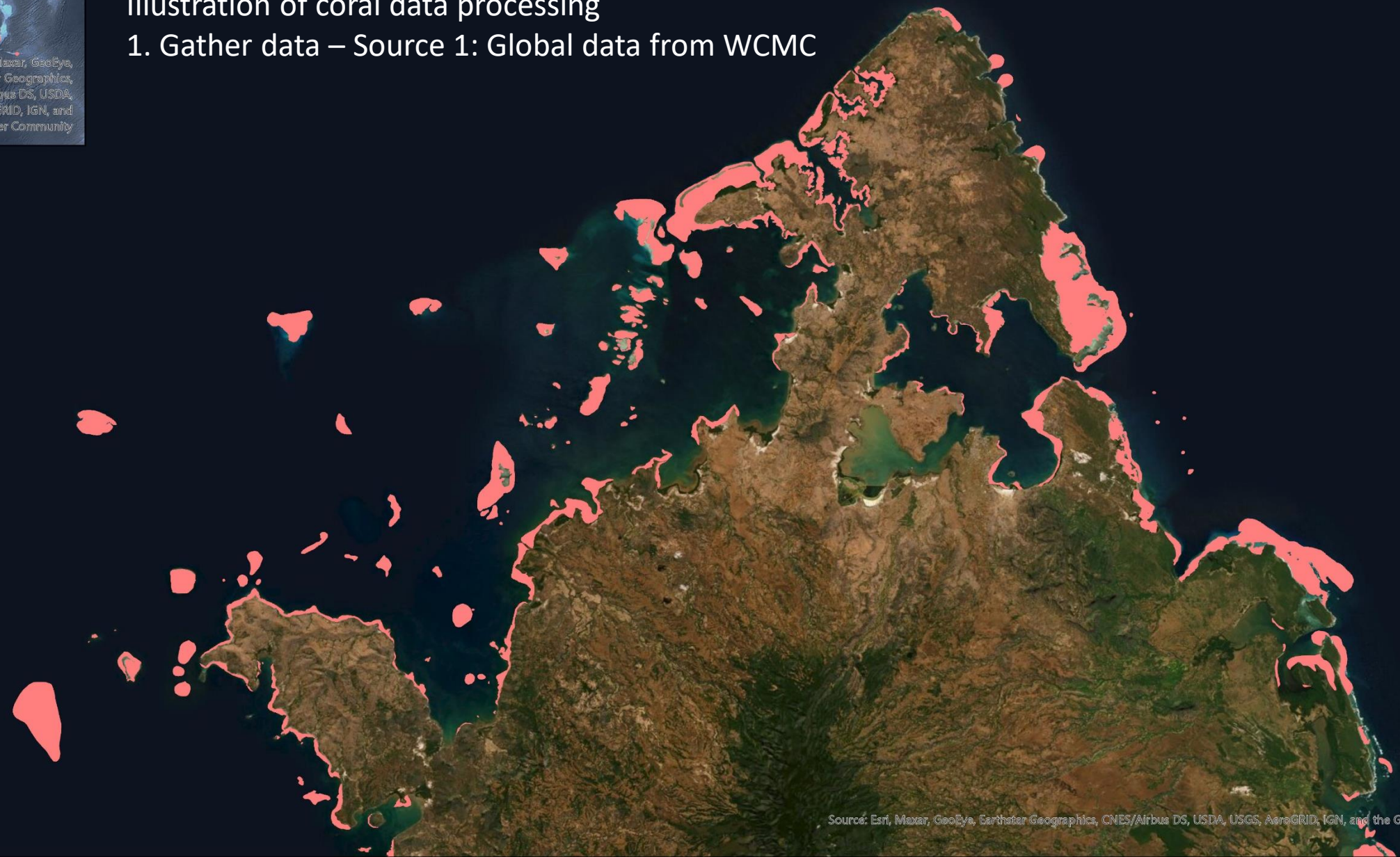
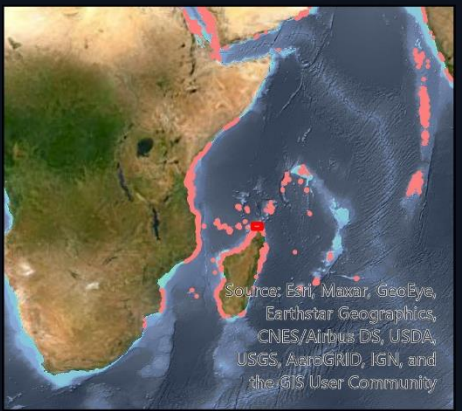
# Data Process – combining sources

0 2,5 5 10 15 20 Kilometers

WCMC CoralReef2018

Illustration of coral data processing

1. Gather data – Source 1: Global data from WCMC



Source: Esri, Maxar, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community



# Illustration of coral data processing

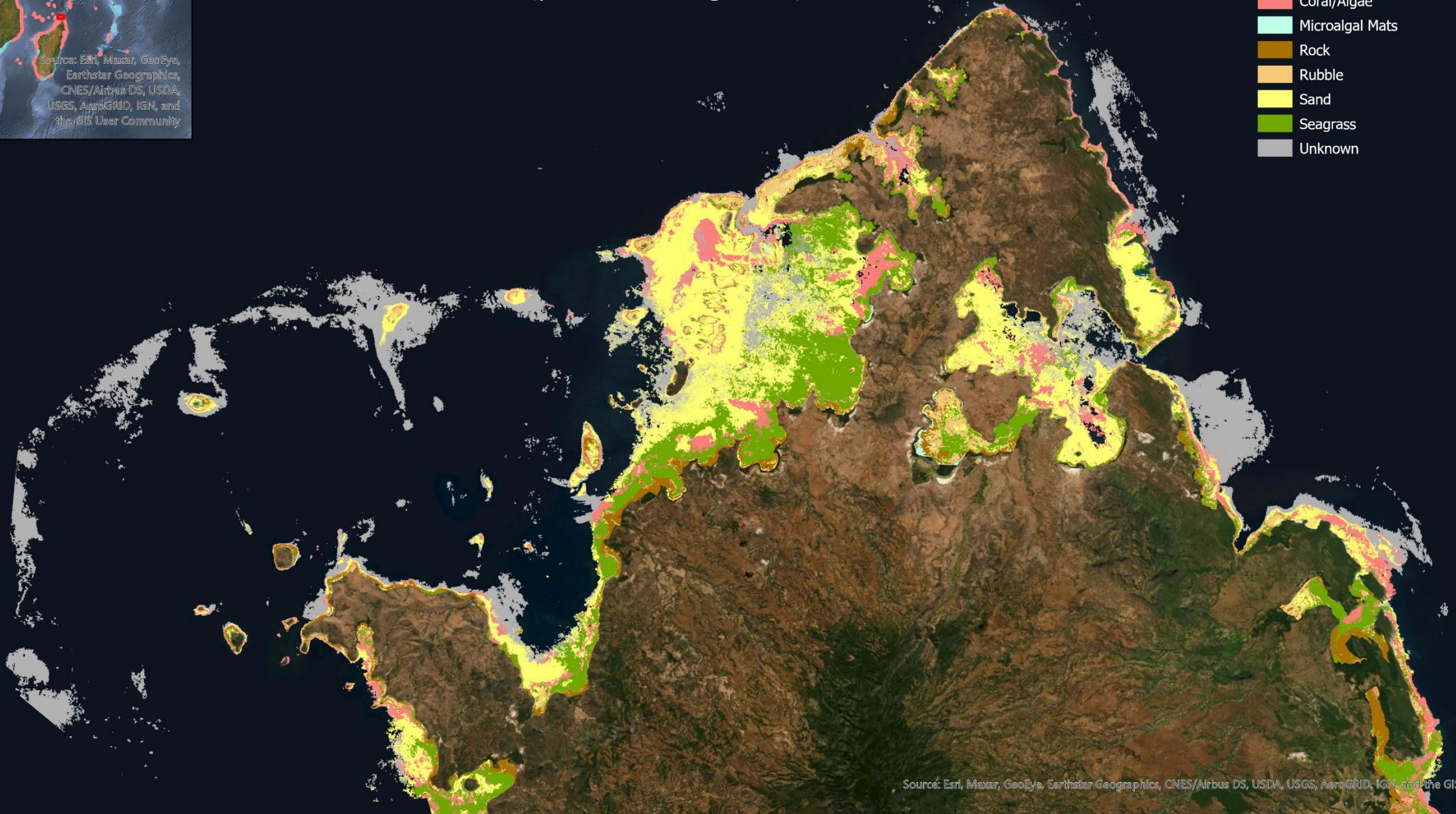
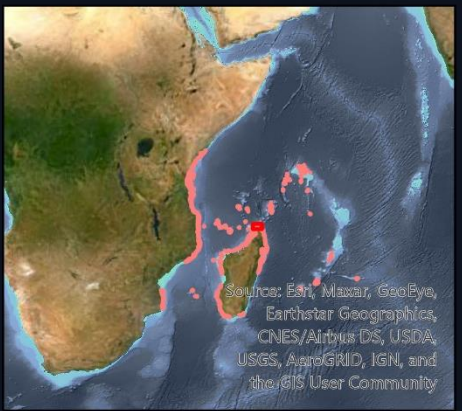
2. Gather data – Source 2 : New high resolution data from Allen Coral Atlas (published Aug 2020)



## Allen coral atlas

class

- Coral/Algae
- Microalgal Mats
- Rock
- Rubble
- Sand
- Seagrass
- Unknown





## Illustration of coral data processing

3. Combine data. Move from high resolution vector data to a management scale raster data

0 2,5 5 10 15 20 Kilometers

coral wcmc grid 250m

1

coral Allen grid 250m

1

coral overlap

1

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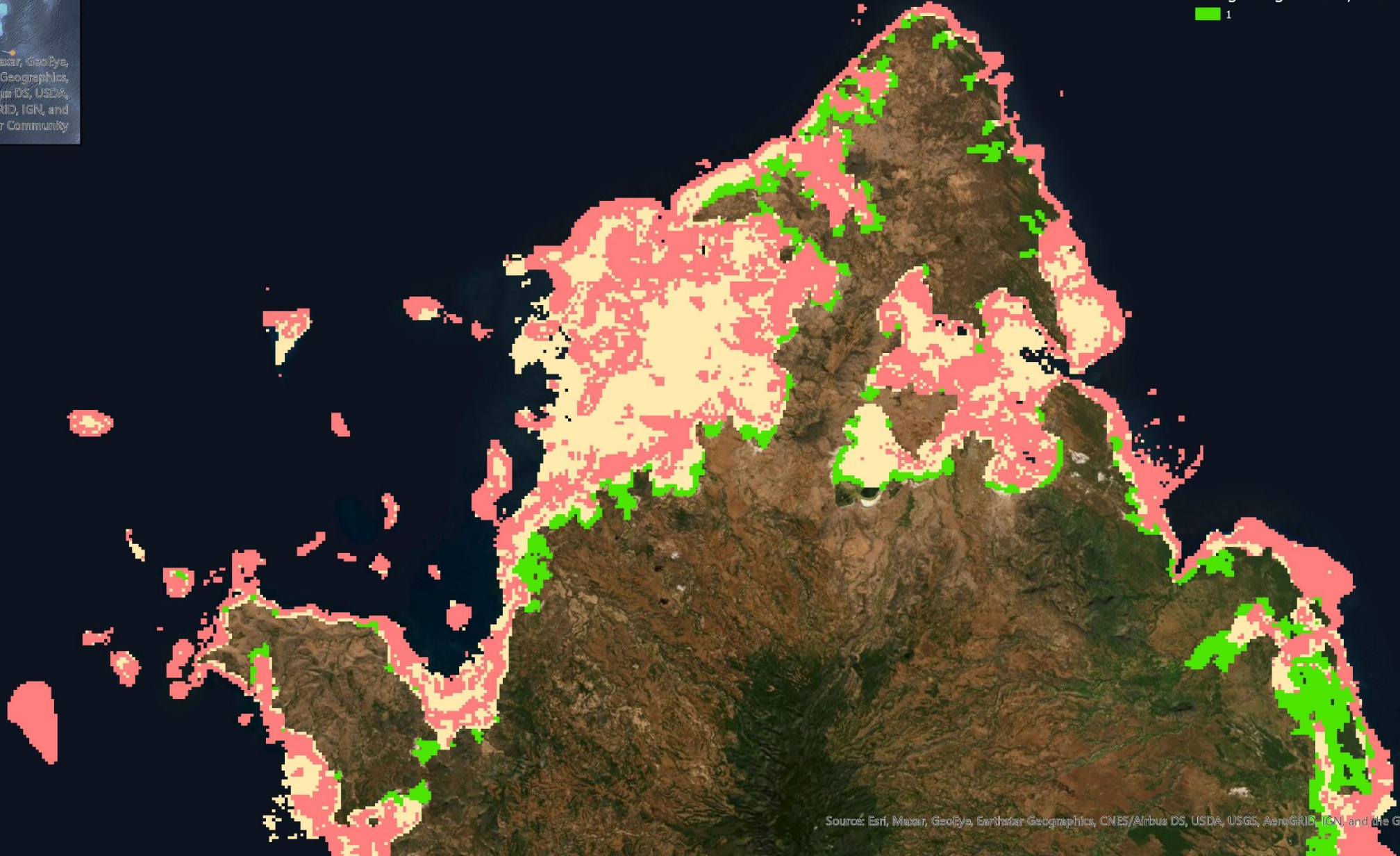


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4. Combine data. Use data quality and expert knowledge to create a final coral layer.



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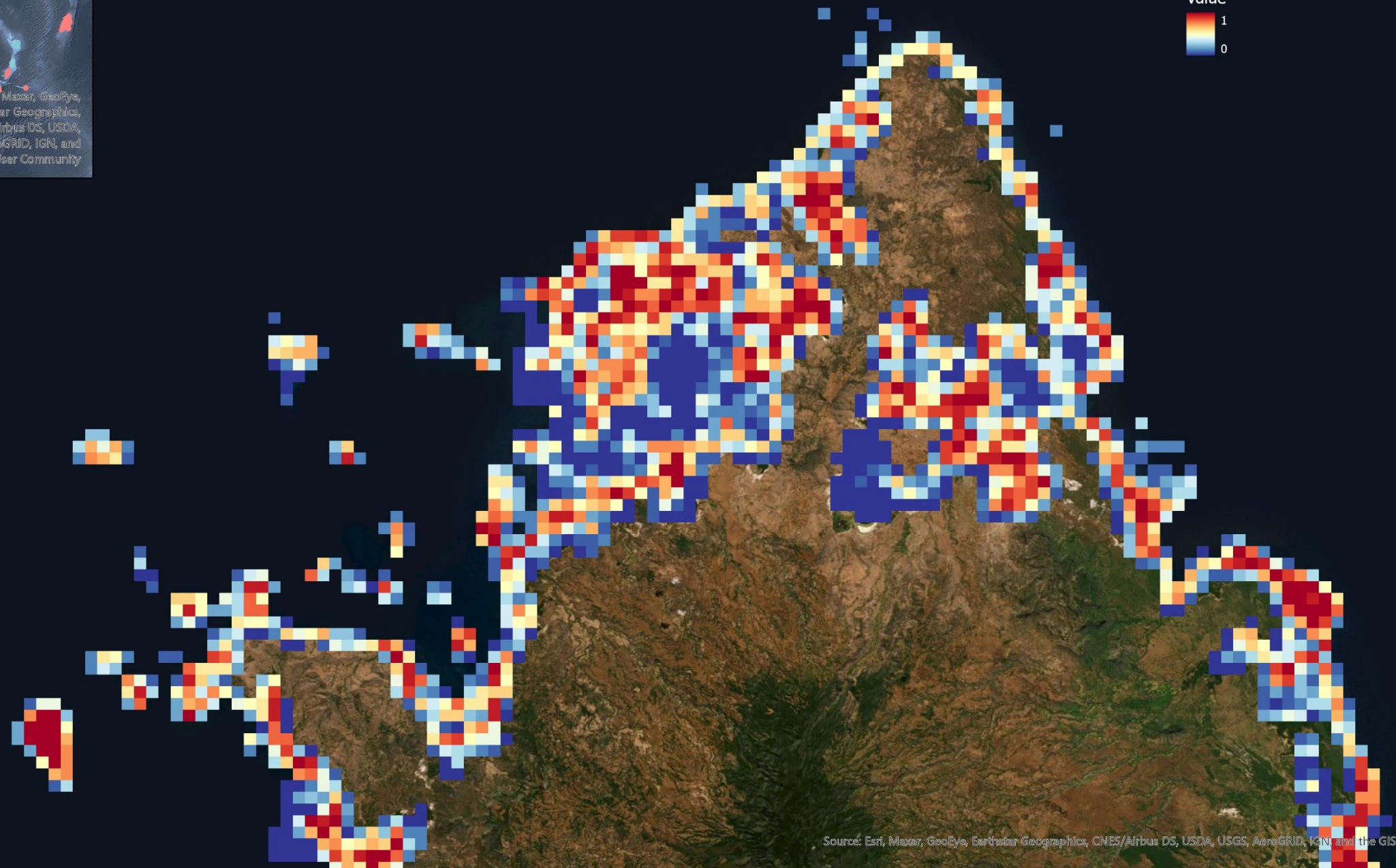
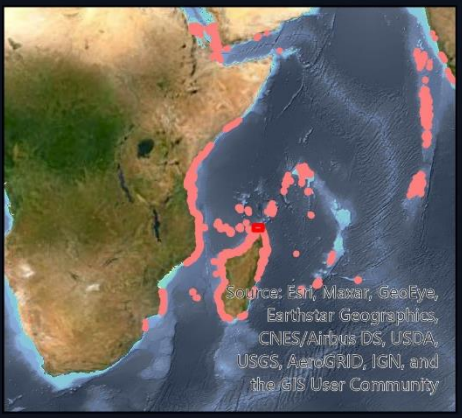
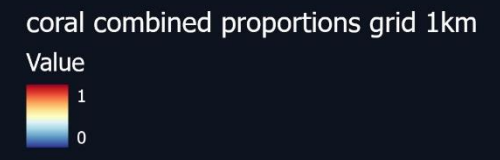


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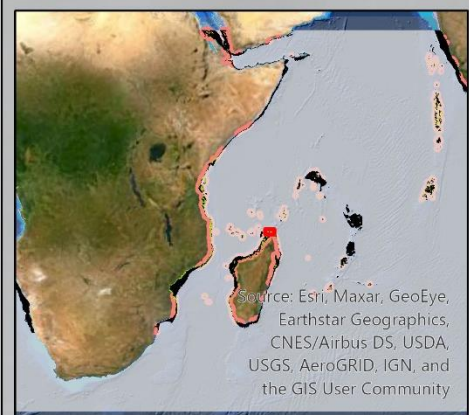


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## 5. Aggregate data to analysis grid







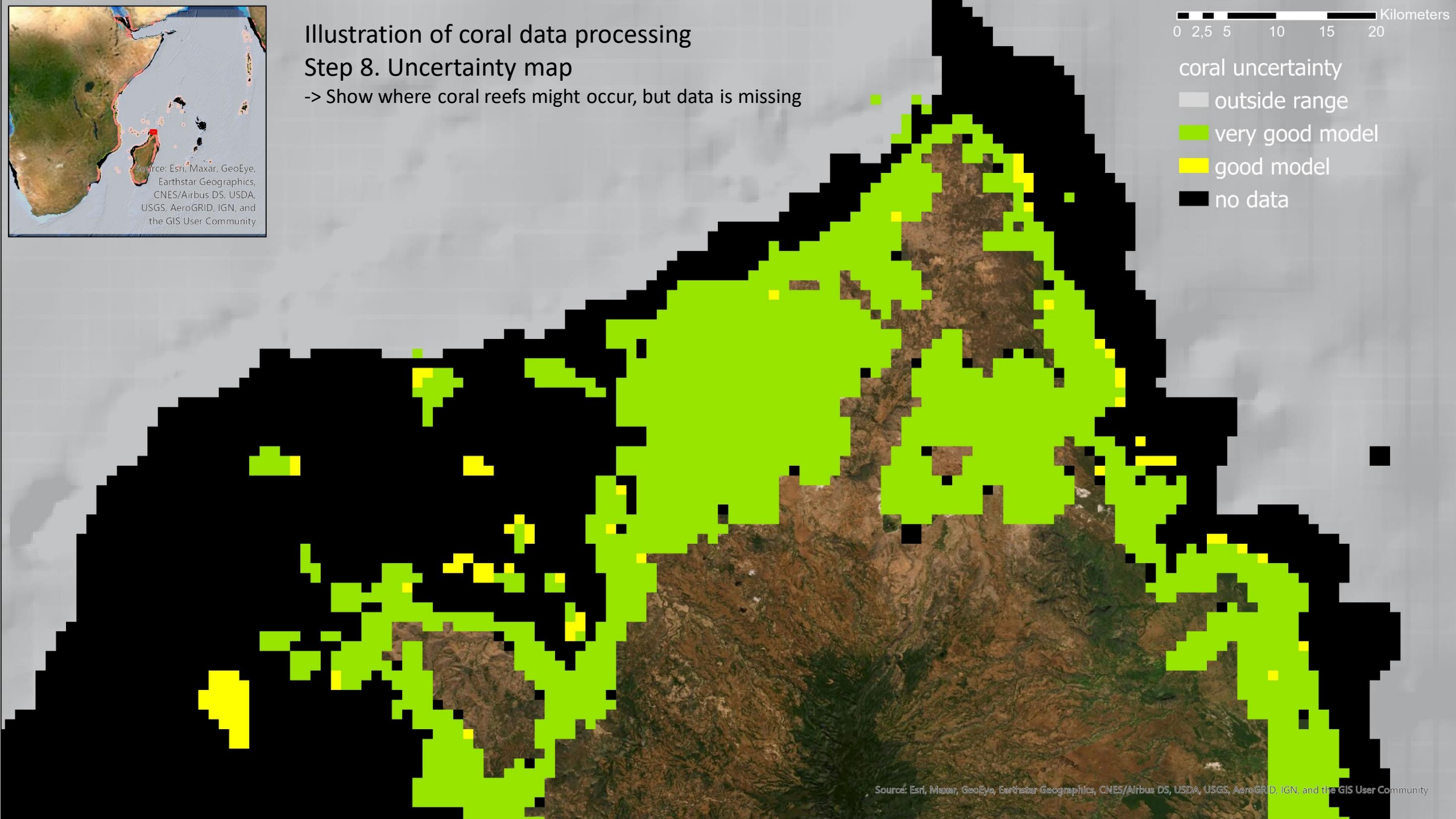
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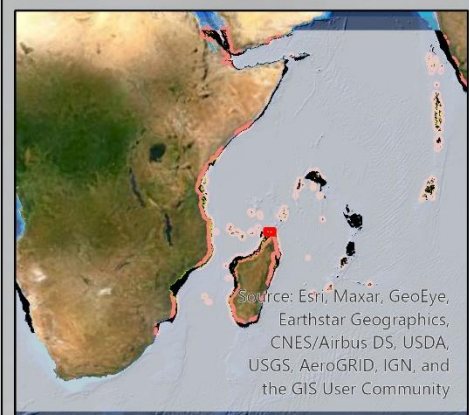
### Step 8. Uncertainty map

-> Show where coral reefs might occur, but data is missing

0 2,5 5 10 15 20 Kilometers

- coral uncertainty
- outside range
- very good model
- good model
- no data

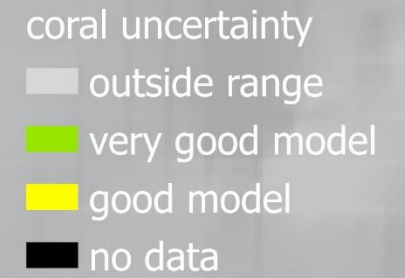
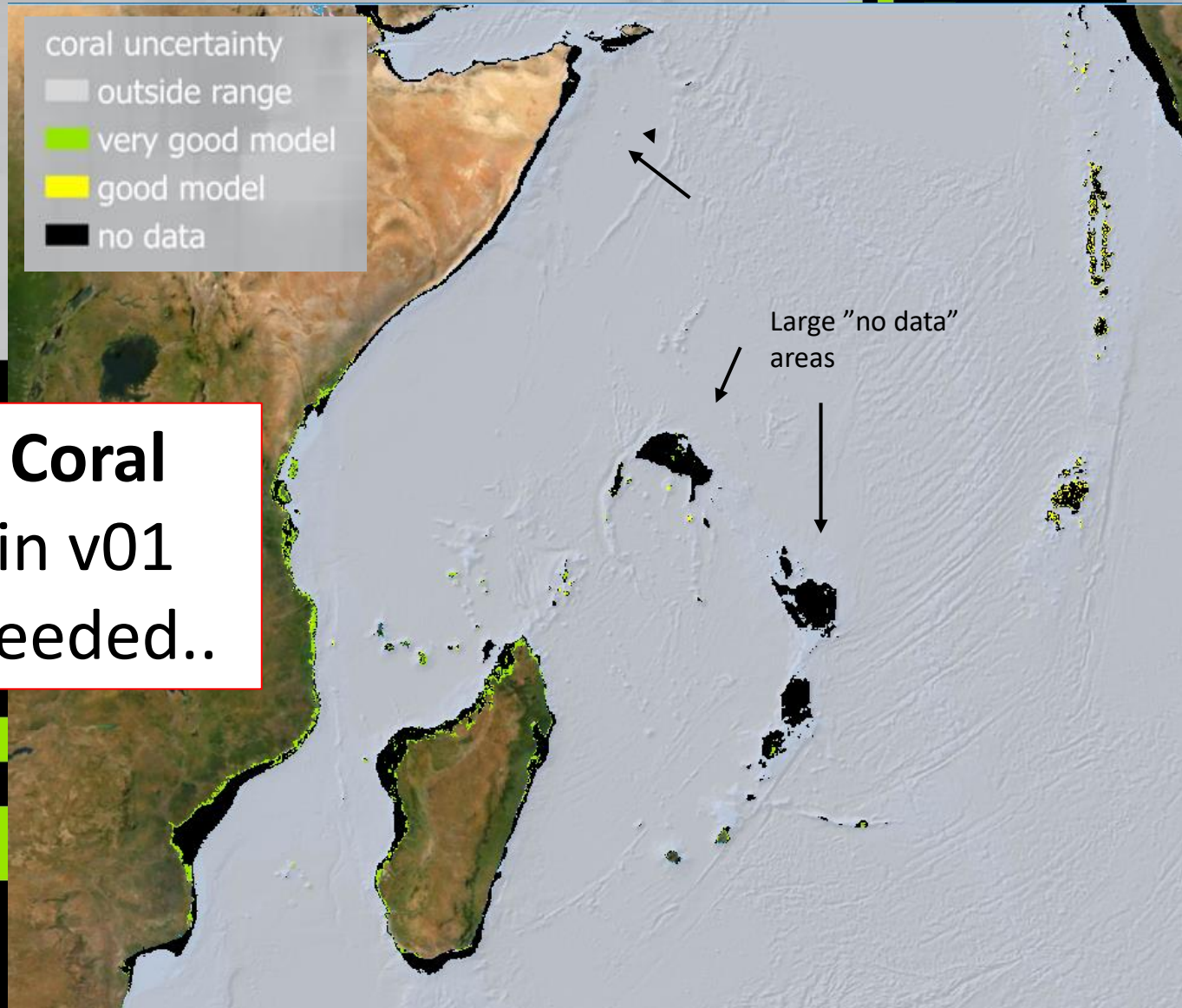




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**Mesophotic Coral Map Empty in v01 more data needed..**



# Review process: Engage and make final improvements, create ownership

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## WIO Symphony review

### List of layers

Select theme: All layers

Component

- Abyssal rock (deep hard bottom) 11
- Abyssal plain (deep soft bottom) 2
- Air emissions 1
- Algae farming
- Baleen whales 3
- Cold-water coral reef 1
- Coral reef 5
- Crustacean fishing (selective) 2

### Layer information

Overview | Distribution map | Uncertainty map | Sensitivity

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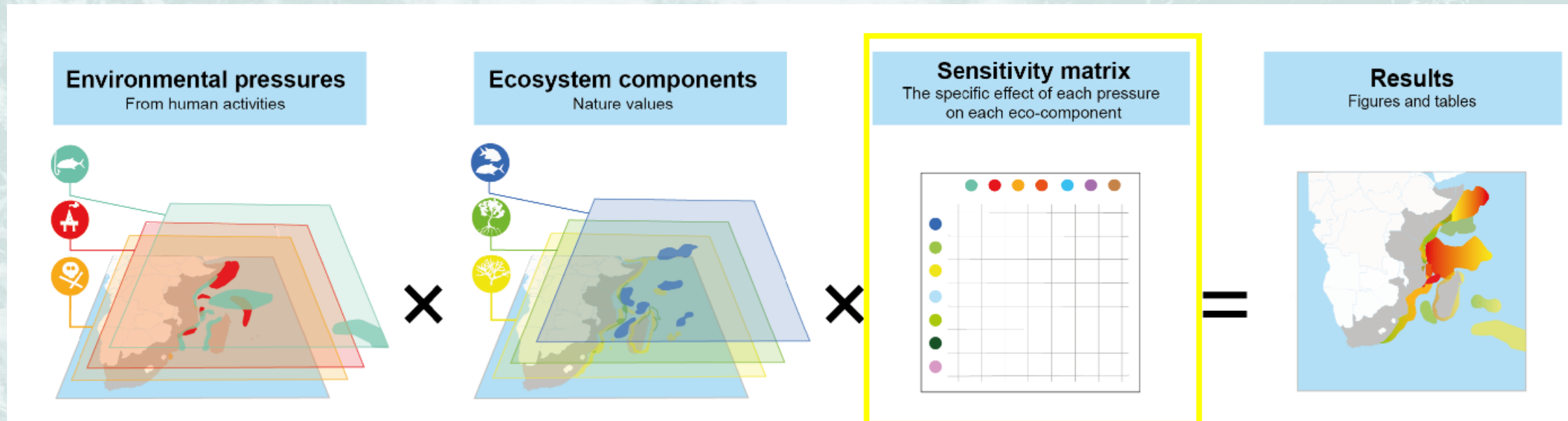


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**Sensitivity** = expected effect from exposure to a defined pressure of a certain magnitude

*E.g. 130 dB noise at 125 Hz OR baited floating longline at maximum fishing intensity*

# What is sensitivity score









Sensitivity score  
(mean)

## Mammals & Reptiles

## Fish & Invertebrate

## Tropical habitats

## Open ocean

## Cold temperate

## Temperate

## High latitudes

## Average

	Ports	Piers and docks	Land reclamation	Water flow changes	Light pollution	Industrial pollution	Dredging	Dumping	Ship noise	Ship strikes	Pelagic fishing	Pelagic seine net fishing	Floating long-line fishing	Pelagic gill net	Demersal trawl fishing	Weighted long-line fishing	Demersal gill net (selective)	Artisanal fishing (mixed methods)	Ghost fishing	Recreational fishing	Recreational boat fishing	Tourism	Diving and snorkelling	Shark control	Municipal waste	Seismic surveys	Offshore survey	Aquaculture	Algae farming	Infrastructure development	Submarine cables	Oil and gas development	Renewable energy development	Impulse noise	Invasive species	Seabed mining	Oil spill	Organic toxins	Inorganic toxins	Air emissions	Nutrient input	Temperature change	Sea level rise	Ocean acidification	Storm surges	Average		
Mammals - Baleen Whales	1,5	1,5	1,3	1,3	1,3	2,5	2,7	2,0	4,0	3,3	3,7	1,3	1,3	2,0	2,5	1,3	2,0	1,7	2,0	2,7	1,3	1,3	1,7	1,3	1,3	2,0	1,7	1,0	1,0	1,7	3,0	3,5	0,8	2,0	1,0	1,7	2,7	3,0	3,3	3,3	1,7	3,3	1,7	1,0	2,3	3,0	2,0	2,0
Mammals - Toothed whales	1,5	1,3	1,3	1,0	1,3	2,3	1,7	2,0	3,3	2,7	3,3	1,0	1,3	2,0	2,5	1,3	2,0	1,7	0,7	0,7	1,7	1,0	1,0	1,7	2,7	3,5	0,8	1,5	1,0	1,7	3,0	1,3	2,0	1,3	2,0	1,3	2,0	2,3	3,0	3,0	1,7	3,0	2,0	1,0	2,3	3,0	1,8	
Mammals - Small Cetaceans	1,5	1,5	1,8	1,3	1,5	2,8	2,0	2,0	3,0	2,7	2,7	2,0	2,0	2,0	2,5	1,7	2,0	1,7	1,0	1,0	1,0	2,0	1,7	2,3	3,0	0,8	1,3	1,3	1,7	1,3	2,0	1,3	2,0	1,3	2,0	1,3	2,0	2,3	2,3	2,3	1,7	2,0	1,7	1,7	2,3	3,0	1,8	
Reptiles - Turtles	2,0	1,0	1,0	0,7	1,5	3,0	2,0	2,0	4,0	2,0	4,0	3,0	3,0	3,0	2,0	2,0	2,0	0,0	0,0	2,0	1,0	2,0	1,0	3,0	4,0	2,5	1,0	2,0	1,0	3,0	1,0	3,0	2,0	2,0	2,0	2,0	3,0	4,0	4,0	1,0	2,0	0,0	0,0	3,0	2,0	2,0		
Average	1,7	1,5	1,9	1,3	0,9	1,7	2,4	1,8	1,6	1,3	1,3	1,5	1,4	1,4	1,4	1,5	1,8	1,4	1,5	1,5	1,1	0,9	0,9	0,7	1,0	1,8	1,5	0,8	0,9	0,7	1,6	1,3	1,7	1,1	1,2	1,4	2,4	2,2	2,3	0,9	1,6	1,7	1,2	2,0	1,5	2,2		

Coastal development

Shipping

Fishing

Recreation

Aquaculture

Offshore development

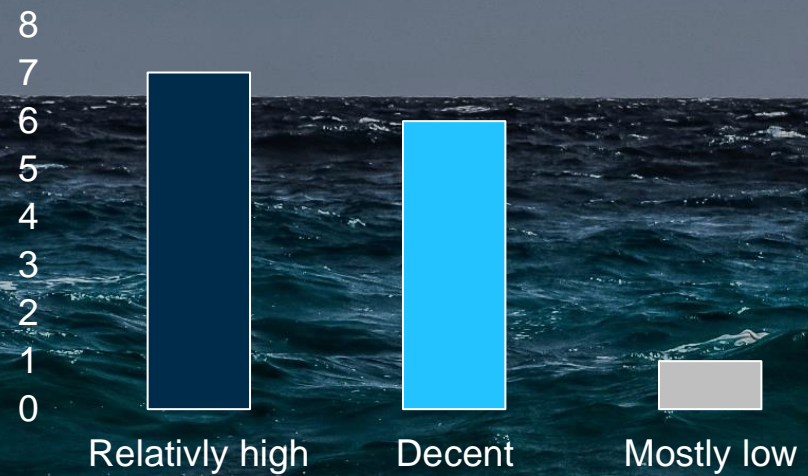
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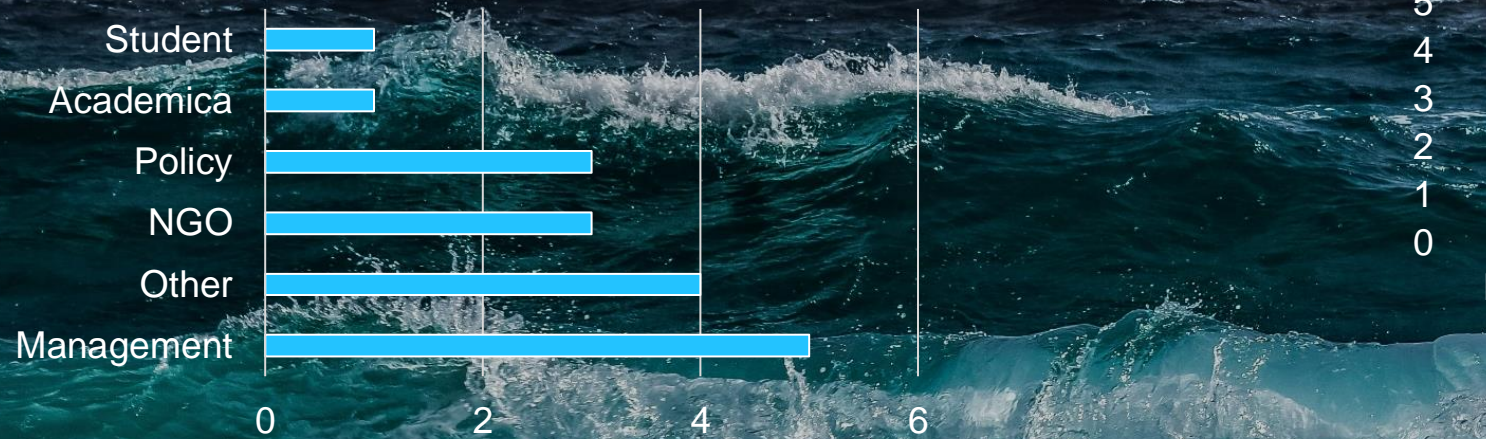


# The WIO Symphony expert panel

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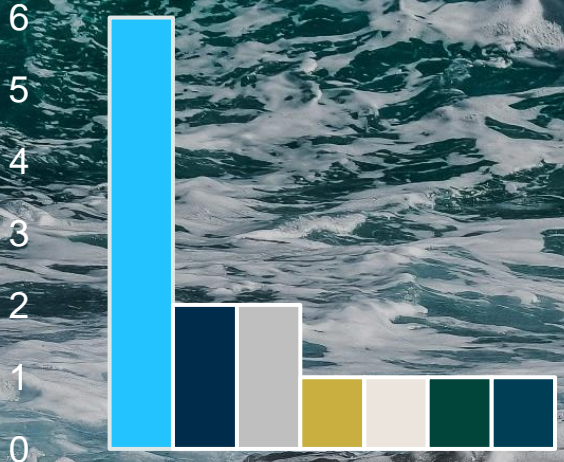


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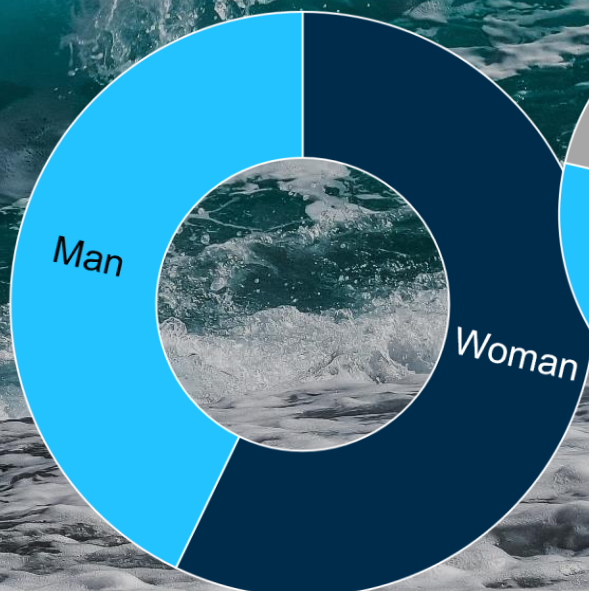


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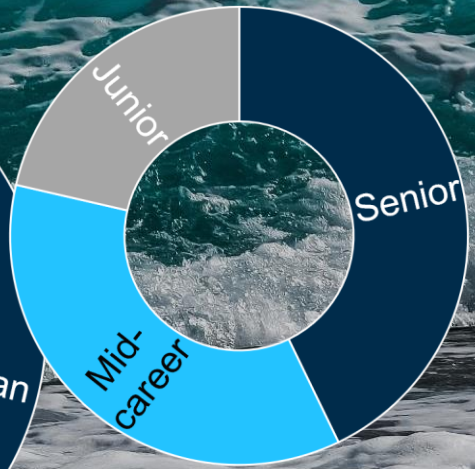
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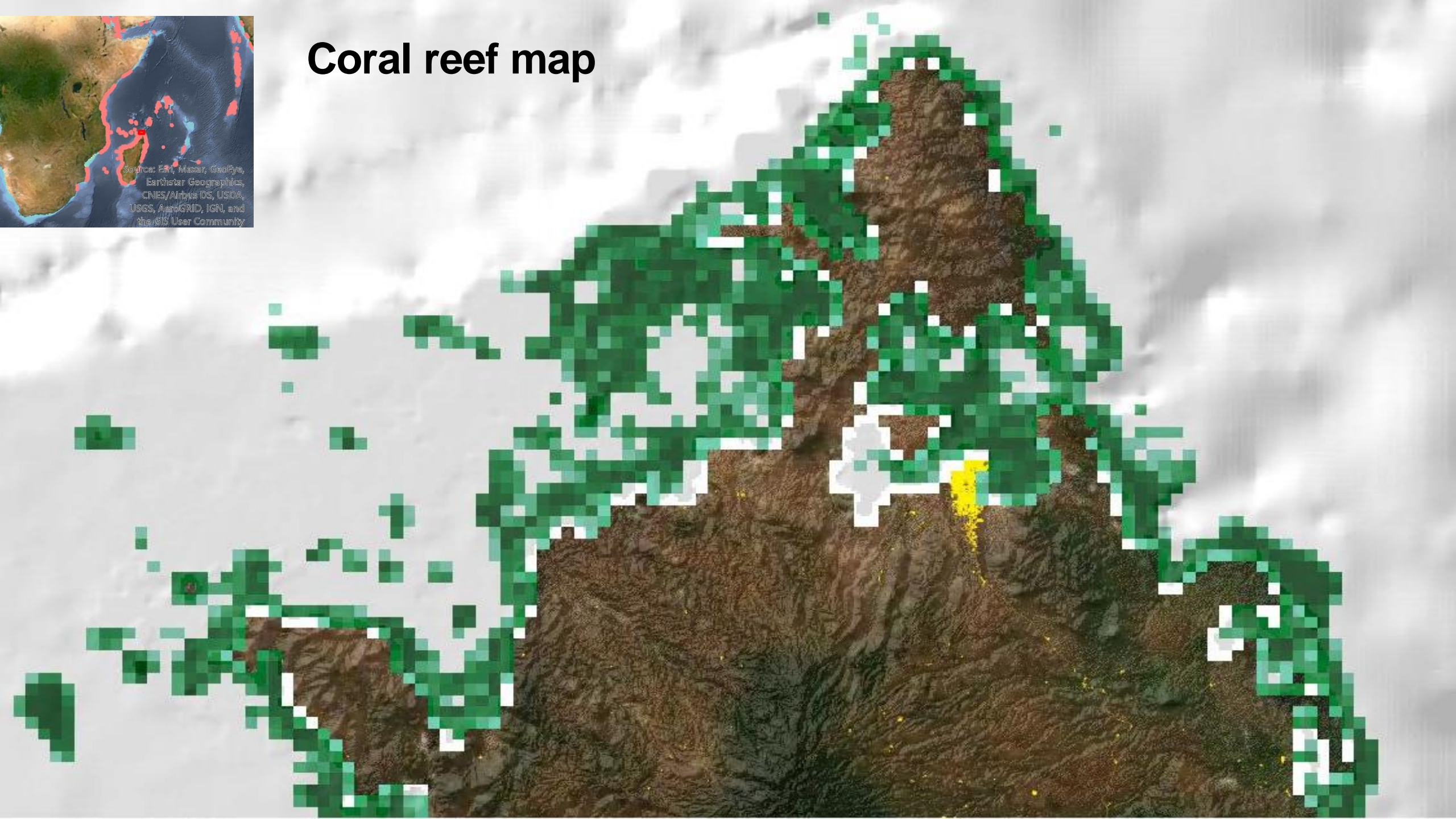
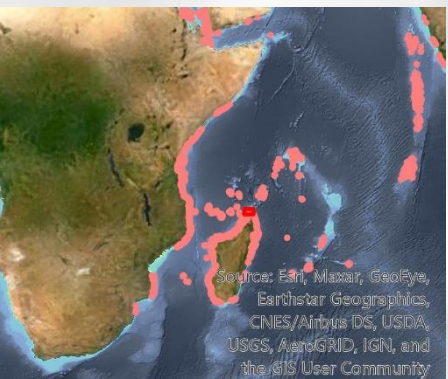


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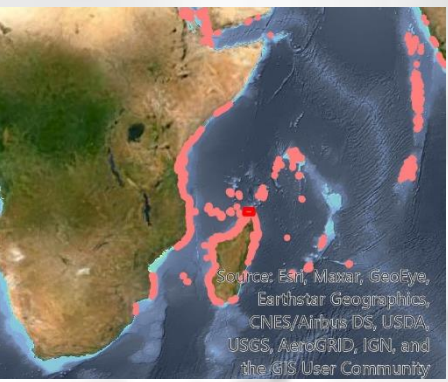




# Coral reef map

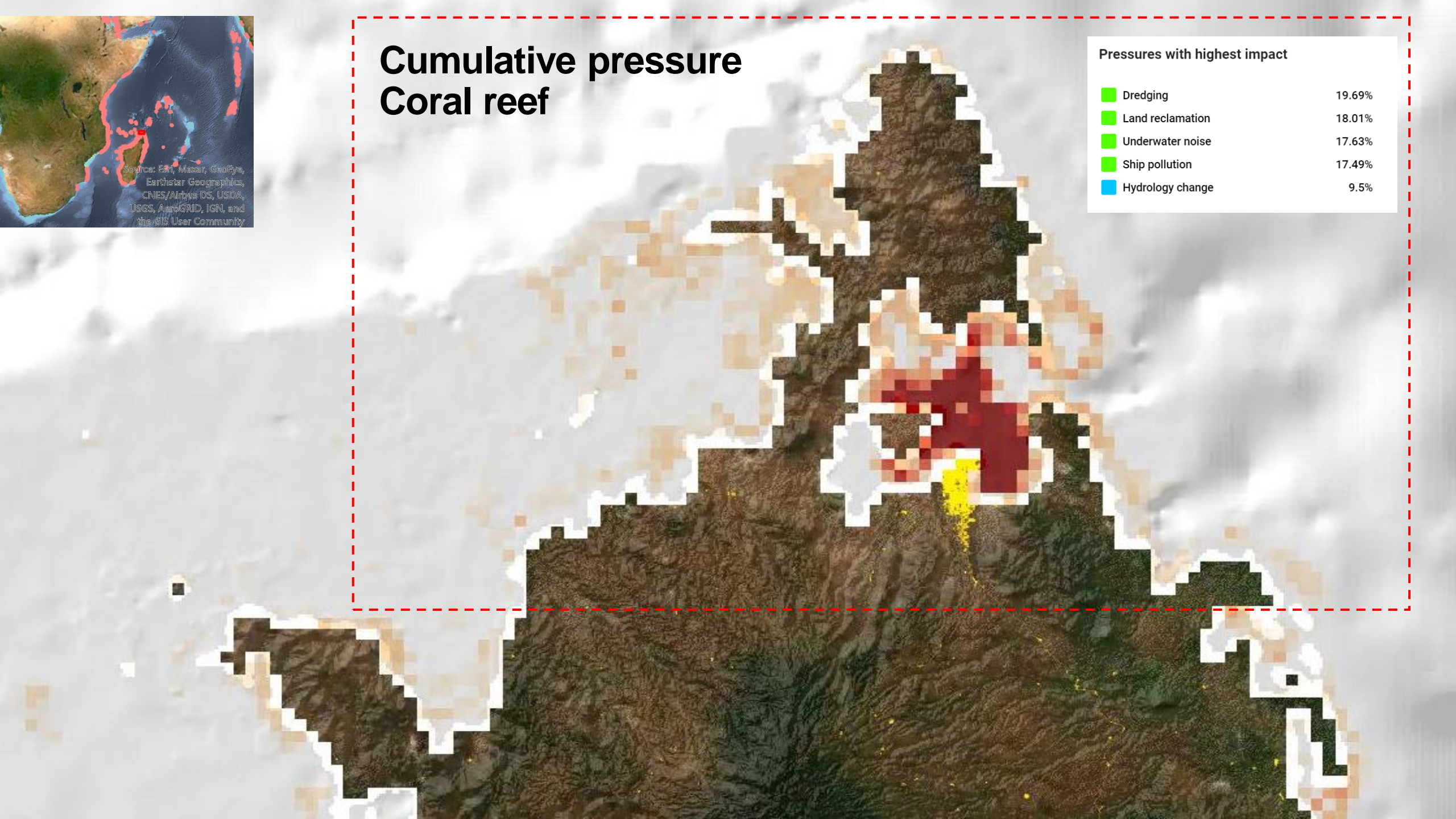






# Cumulative pressure Coral reef

Pressures with highest impact	
<span style="color: green;">■</span> Dredging	19.69%
<span style="color: green;">■</span> Land reclamation	18.01%
<span style="color: green;">■</span> Underwater noise	17.63%
<span style="color: green;">■</span> Ship pollution	17.49%
<span style="color: blue;">■</span> Hydrology change	9.5%







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**all models are wrong  
some are useful**