

ESRC Symposium on Marine Conservation and Governance: MPAs and beyond

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DAY 1 (24th Sept): SETTING THE SCENE: MPAs AND WIDER MARINE GOVERNANCE ISSUES

Welcome Coffee and Registration (9.00-09.30)

Margherita Pieraccini: Introduction to the Symposium and to the ESRC Project “Ecologies and Identities” (09.30-09.45)

Session 1 Ecosystem-Based Management and MPAs (09.45-11.15)

- Christopher Rodgers: “Managing Coastal Marine Environments: Challenges for an Ecosystem-Based Approach for Protected Areas”
- Mia Pantzar: “Towards Ecosystem-Based Protection of the Marine Environments- Investigating the Scope for marine reserves in Northern Europe under the Marine Strategy Framework Directive”

Discussion chaired by Louisa Evans

Coffee Break (11.15-11.30)

Session 2 Society, Institutions and MPAs (11.30-13.00)

- Louisa Evans: “A comparative analysis of the social, ecological and institutional drivers of successful governance in large scale MPAs”
- Sian Rees: “MPAs and human well-being: How can we align conservation with social and economic needs?”

Discussion chaired by Christopher Rodgers

Sandwich Lunch (13.00-14.00)

Session 3 Science and Policy in MPAs (14.00-16.00)

- Alex Caveen: “The controversy over MPAs: science meets policy”

- Erica Hendy: “Connecting the dots: assessing larval dispersal and connectivity between MPAs”
- Andrea Camedda and G. Andrea de Lucia: “The Benefits and Challenges of ecological networks: the case of the Sardinian network for the conservation of marine turtles”.

Discussion chaired by Sian Rees

Session 4 MPAs Designation in the UK (16.00-17.30)

- Margherita Pieraccini: “Designating MPAs in the UK: accounting for socio-economic issues”.
- Tom Appleby: “Sirens of the sea? MPA designation on the Isle of Arran”

Discussion chaired by Jasper Kenter

Dinner for conference speakers (19.30-)

DAY 2 (25th Sept) MPAs Governance

Session 1 UK case studies (9.30-11.00)

- Jasper Kenter: “A deliberative approach to MPA implementation: A case study of stakeholder engagement in Sussex”
- Ruth Brennan: “Cultural transformations in the Scottish marine policy process: the story of Barra”

Discussion chaired by Margherita Pieraccini

Coffee break (11.00-11.15)

Session 2 International case studies (11.15-12.45)

- Richard Dunne: “Marine Governance in the Chagos Archipelago- a conservation success story but failure of a MPA?”
- Stefania Coppa and Margherita Pieraccini: “Conservation of biological resources and governance challenges in the Sinis MPA (Sardinia, Italy)” (?)

Discussion chaired by Alex Caveen

Closing Remarks (12.45-13.00)

Sandwich Lunch (13.00-14.00)