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Dear Madam or Sir,
Dear colleagues,

We hope you are all doing well and found ways to adapt to these extraordinary circumstances.

Like many, the MARIPOLDATA team switched to remote work the past few weeks and is now slowly getting back to "normal". This is our first newsletter in 2020 and it covers our activities in the past six months.

The rapid spread of the COVID-19 has led to quarantine measures all around the world and resulted in the cancellation or postponement of a great number of global meetings. Our team had for instance planned to conduct fieldwork (WP1) at the fourth session on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in New York at the end of March.

Since conducting field research was impossible, our team developed a [survey](#) to assess how the COVID-19 outbreak is affecting the various parties working on the BBNJ Treaty and how it is impacting on the work and activities carried out towards the conclusion of an agreement.

Furthermore we did the best to continue creating room for research exchanges and activities as well as producing rigorous research as you can see below.

Stay well and healthy.

Warm regards,

Alice (Vadrot) and Team

Publications

By Alice Vadrot

Vadrot, A.B.M. 2020. Multilateralism as a 'site' of struggle over environmental knowledge: the North-South divide. Critical Policy Studies.

Forthcoming:

Vadrot, A. 2020. Ocean Protection. In J.-F. Morin and A. Orsini. (eds.). Essential Concepts of Global Environmental Governance. Abingdon: Routledge. Second edition.

In the Media

Das Meer. Ort der Sehnsucht. Ort der Gesetzlosigkeit - Ö1 Radiokolleg

With Alice Vadrot (02-04.06, in German)

Government Policies in Plastic Pollution - The Plastic Shift Podcast Series

With Ina Tessnow-von Wysocki (25.05, in English)

Meeresschutz-auch während der Pandemie - DER STANDARD

OEAW young academy blog by Alice Vadrot (15.04, in German)

MARIPOLDATA : un projet de recherche sur les négociations internationales et le rôle de la science pour la biodiversité marine

By the Science and Technology Department of the French Embassy in Austria (17.03, in French)

Die Freiheit der Meere: Schutz der ökologischen und marinen Biodiversität - Ö1 ORF Campus Broadcast "Welt im Ohr"

With Alice Vadrot (31.01, in German)

Marine Ökosysteme: Zwischen Schutz und Ausbeutung – DER STANDARD

OEAW young academy blog by Alice Vadrot (08.01, in German)

Der Ozean im Gespräch - meinbezirk.at

With Alice Vadrot (07.01. in German)

Events

Upcoming

How to protect marine biodiversity? Marine protected areas in the High Seas

Virtual MARIPOLDATA reading group (17.06, online event)

Past

The shifting Context of Sustainability: Growth and the World Ocean Regime

Talk by Peter Jacques (12.03, recorded talk on demand via [email](#))

How Evaluation shapes Ocean Science – A Multi-Scale Ethnography of Fluid Knowledge

Talk by Sarah de Rijcke (23.01)

Blog Articles

MARIPOLDATA and Peter Jacques: Sustainability and Growth in the Oceans

by Silvia Ruiz (02.06)

Negotiating a Plastic Free Sea - The marine diaries website

By Ina Tessnow-von Wysocki (06.04)

MARIPOLDATA explores international scientific cooperation at the All Atlantic Ocean Research Forum

by Arne Langlet (14.02)

Announcements

Does the Common Heritage Principle make any difference? The case of marine biodiversity in the digital age

MARIPOLDATA Panel presentation at the Virtual EASST/4S 2020 Meeting (18-21.08)

How do practitioners view our work? A transdisciplinary debate about the relevance of (studying) intergovernmental negotiations sites

Innovative Panel for the 2020 Virtual Forum on Earth System Governance ESG (15-17.09)

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