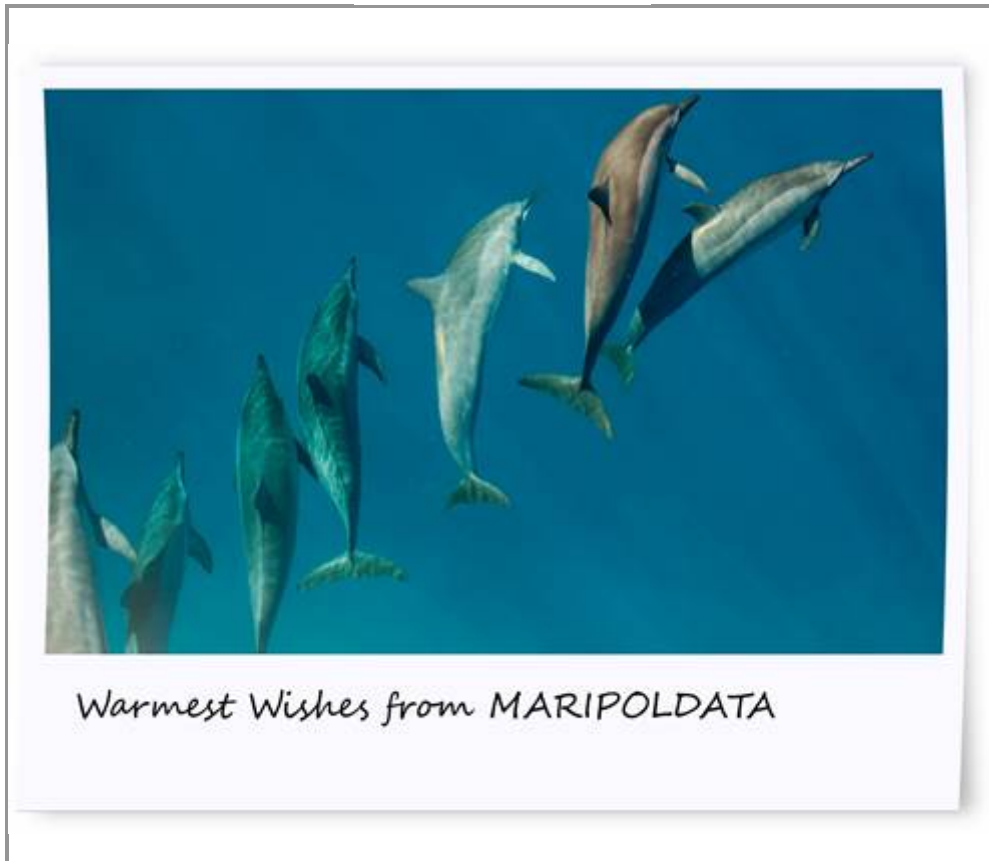




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Dear Madam or Sir,  
Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the fourth edition of our newsletter, which marks over 24 months of the MARIPOLDATA project. This issue highlights some of the most important milestones achieved in the past months.

Despite the challenges posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic, the team had been very busy carrying out digital ethnography to study the ongoing BBNJ negotiations. The measures related to the COVID-19 pandemic have indefinitely postponed the international negotiations. However numerous online initiatives have emerged to keep the dialogue ongoing between stakeholders.

There have been several new publications from the MARIPOLDATA researchers since the last newsletter. For instance, **Petro Tolochko and Alice Vadrot** have co-authored an article published in **Marine Policy**. Titled [The usual suspects? Distribution of collaboration capital in marine biodiversity research](#), this article investigates the geographical structure of international scientific cooperation in marine biodiversity research based on the analysis of bibliometric English language data from international scientific journals from 1990 until 2018 and analyses international cooperation patterns both within and across regions.

In December 2020 an article written by **Ina Tessnow-von Wysocki and Alice Vadrot** was published by **Frontiers in Marine Science**: [The Voice of Science on Marine Biodiversity Negotiations: A Systematic Literature Review](#). This systematic review examines the main priority topics and recommendations in a sample of 140 multidisciplinary, geographically diverse publications, untangling the complex BBNJ negotiations & highlighting the policy relevance of existing work.

We hope that as many of you as possible manage a break and a rest over the holiday period. We wish you a happy holidays season.

Stay safe.

Very best wishes,

**Alice (Vadrot) and Team**

## Publications

Tolochko, P. and Vadrot, A. 2021. [The usual suspects? Distribution of collaboration capital in marine biodiversity research](#). *Marine Policy*, 124(2).

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## Presentations

### Past

#### **Studying scientific cooperation patterns for protecting marine biodiversity**

Alice Vadrot and Petro Tolochko

[British Ecological Society 2020 Annual Meeting](#), 15.12, Online.

#### **Multilateralismus, Wissenschaft und der Schutz der Ozeane: Eine politikwissenschaftliche Untersuchung**

Alice Vadrot

*Vortrag anlässlich der ÖAW-Klassensitzung, 16.10, Vienna.*

**Studying the role of science during/in treaty negotiations: The marine biodiversity case**

Alice Vadrot

[Sciences Po Center for International Studies webinar](#), 29.09, Online.

**Part I: What is co-designed, solution-oriented research in the context of the Decade?**

Alice Vadrot

[Virtual Series: Co-designing the science we need for the Ocean Decade](#), 24.09, Online.

## Events

### Past

**Ocean Monitoring, Control and Surveillance**

*Virtual MARIPOLDATA reading group* (16.12)

**Ocean Privatization**

*Virtual MARIPOLDATA reading group* (25.11, summary of the exchanges [here](#))

**“Science-Policy Interfaces” in United Nations negotiations**

*Virtual MARIPOLDATA reading group* (28.10, summary of the exchanges [here](#))

**Ethics and the BBNJ Agreement**

*Virtual MARIPOLDATA reading group* (23.09, summary of the exchanges [here](#))

## Blog Articles

**Key findings from our study of the marine biodiversity field and why our data matters for the new BBNJ treaty**

*by Alice Vadrot and Petro Tolochko*

## In the Media

**The best of all Worlds. FWF Video Portrait**

*With Alice Vadrot* (14-09, in German with English subtitles)

**Meeresschutz politisch umsetzen - Ö1 Punkt eins**

*With Alice Vadrot* (15.09, in German)

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

*With Alice Vadrot* (02-04.06, in German)

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