PANEL 1: PARALLEL MECHANISMS TO IDENTIFY AND PROTECT SENSITIVE AREAS ON THE HIGH SEAS COMMENTARY

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- What type of process for the identification, designation, establishment and management for ABM in ABNJ under the new ILBI?
- Differing views

- What type of structure?
- Global structure with a global institution to consider and decide proposals (centralized)
- <u>Hybri</u>d (regional/sectoral + reinforced through regional coordination mechanism providing global guidance and oversight)
- Regional and sectoral with ILBI providing general policy guidance and coordination without any global oversight

■ Who can propose

- State Parties or all States
- Scientific Body under the new instrument
- International Organizations
- Non-State actors (NGOs)

- Consultation and evaluation of the proposal
- Stakeholder participation- who are the stakeholders?
- All States?
- Global, regional or sectoral organizations
- Civil society, including sectoral stakeholders

Designation

- How will the scientific assessment be conducted?
- By whom?
- Existing regional/ global/ sectoral designations
- Who will pay for the assessment
- What will be the decision-making process?

- Management
- Management plan?
- Implementation?
- Monitoring and reporting?
- Enforcement?
- Non-Parties? How to establish global recognition
- Financing?

- Cooperation
- Mechanism to coordinate between existing regional and sectoral bodies?
- Regional Seas
- Sectoral (shipping, fishing)