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Brief on the second cycle of the Regular Process

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Presentation outline/ objective

- Brief update on the second cycle of Regular Process.
- What type of support will UNEP be providing for the second cycle.
- How UNEP can engage Regional Seas in a coordinated state of the coast (Environment) reporting







Second Cycle of Regular Process

- WOA -2 has been launched since the beginning of 2016. (2016-2020)
- Duration of the second cycle
- Structure of the Second Cycle
 - Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole
 - Establishment of Group of Experts
 - Secretariat –UNDOALOS
 - Bureau
 - Appointment and composition of pool of experts
 - Appointment of National Focal Points







Policy relevance and scope

• Main Outputs

- Output I: First Global Integrated Marine Assessment Handbook(s) for Policy-Makers (January to May 2017)
- Output II: World Ocean Assessment(s) (January 2017 to December 2020)
- Activities
 - Establishment of Group of Experts
 - Appointment and composition of pool of experts
 - Preparation of outputs, including data sources and review process
 - Meetings (Working Group, Bureau, Group of Experts and engagement of pool of experts)







First Cycle of the Regular Process

- UNEP's core mandate within the UN system
- Prior to this in 2005 the GA resolution 60/30 launched the start-up phase of the Regular Process, "the assessment of assessments"







UNEP support to the first cycle of Regular Process

- Communication:
- Assessments:
- Capacity building:
- Resource mobilization:







Capacity building Workshops

- Were prescribed during the first cycle of the Regular Process
- Inventory and evaluation of existing assessments and approaches to gaps in them
- Inputs to "Outline of First Global Integrated Marine Assessment" and "Guidance to Authors"
- Evaluation of existing assessment capacity and approaches to capacity-building to fill gaps
- Start to build capacity for integrated assessment
- To create awareness of the Regular Process in the regions.



UNEP Support to Capacity building Workshops

- UNEP provided technical and financial support for six of the eight workshops:
- Santiago in September 2011 (at the invitation of the Government of Chile)
- 2. Sanya in February 2012 (at the invitation of the Government of China),
- **3.** Miami in November 2012 (at the invitation of the and with the support of Government of the United States of America)
- **4. Maputo** in December 2012 (at the invitation of the Government of Mozambique),



