

PICES

- The North Pacific Marine Science Organization (PICES) is an Intergovernmental science organization. The Secretariat is head-quartered in British Columbia, Canada
- There are 6 Contracting Parties:

















PICES Vision Statement

To engage scientists in trans-disciplinary multi-national collaborations to further our collective understanding of the North Pacific's natural systems and enhance ecological and social resilience of our coasts and oceans.









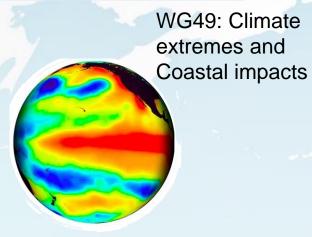


How does PICES work with other RFMOs/Intergovernmental orgs?



Joint Working Groups, or ex-officio members

WG47: Ecology of Seamounts



Joint Symposia:



Small Pelagic Fish: New Frontiers in Science and Sustainable Management November 7 - 11, 2022

Lisbon, Portugal



Effects of Climate Change on the World's Ocean

Joint Initiatives



Projects



FishGIS

Building capacity for coastal monitoring by local small-scale fishers (November 2017 - March 2020)









Background



 PICES—NPFC Framework for Enhanced Scientific Collaboration in the North Pacific was endorsed in October 2019, following the work of a joint Study

Group.



https://meetings.pices.int/publications/ annual-reports/2019/2019-SG-PICES-NPFC.pdf

- Three major areas of mutual interest were identified:
 - (i) support for stock assessment for priority species
 - (ii) vulnerable marine ecosystems
 - (iii) ecosystem approach to fisheries
- Mechanisms were identified; workshops, working groups, theme sessions and reciprocal representation at annual meetings.



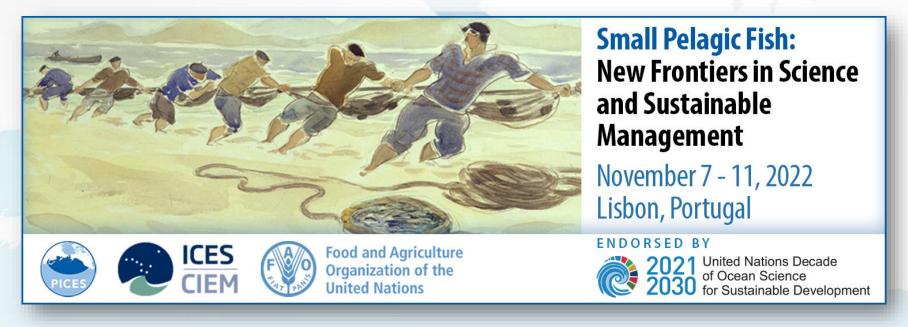
Recent joint activities

- NPFC and PICES representatives participated in each others' annual meetings in 2022/23, online, in–person and through written reports
- NPFC has representation in the PICES-ICES joint Working Group on Small Pelagic Fish, (WG43) which was extended to 2023
- NPFC scientists are involved in WG47 on the Ecology of Seamounts, including the Chair of the NPFC Scientific Committee (Dr Curtis) who co-chairs WG 47, which runs until 2024 (extended)

Recent joint activities



 NPFC co-sponsored the PICES-ICES-FAO Small Pelagic Fish Symposium (November 2022). Dr Toshihide Kitakado was a member of the SSC, Dr Zavolokin attended.



- The conference comprised 288 participants from 39 countries, of which 44% were ECS
- 278 presentations were given, 194 oral and 84 posters.
- Two journal special issues are in progress.

Recent joint activities

- The NPFC co-sponsored a topic session, "S5-Environmental variability and small pelagic fishes in the North Pacific: exploring mechanistic and pragmatic methods for integrating ecosystem considerations into assessment and management". The session comprised 12 talks (two invited and ten contributed) and two posters in the poster session.
- NPFC Scientific Committee members also co-convened a workshop at PICES-2022 with members of WG 47, held in hybrid mode, on "Distributions of pelagic, demersal and benthic species associated with seamounts in the North Pacific Ocean and factors influencing their distributions"
- NPFC co-sponsored a topic session at PICES-2023, "S14: BIO Topic Session Seamount biodiversity: vulnerable marine ecosystems (VMEs) and species associated with seamounts in the North Pacific Ocean"





Potential for upcoming joint activities



- PICES-NPFC joint international course/workshop on VME indicator taxa identification, with financial contributions of \$15,000 USD from each organization (postponed from 2020). The course is aimed at capacity development and sharing knowledge on the identification of coral species in the North Pacific. It will include both theory and practical exercises.
- Revision of the joint Framework for Enhanced Scientific Collaboration will be due after 2024. It
 is a good time to plan the next phase.
- In February 2024 a workshop will be held to begin planning of the Small Pelagic Fish-2026
 Symposium
- PICES-2024 will be in Honolulu, Oct 26 Nov 3 2024 at the Hawaii Convention Centre
- BECI project endorsed by NPFC in 2022 Initial project office funding received.



BECI

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An Ocean Intelligence System for a Changing World











THE PROBLEM





10 billion snow crabs disappeared from the Bering Sea. Scientists and fishermen are working to learn why

May 5, 2023 by Kirsten Dobroth, KMXT - Kodiak



Federal and state researchers in Kodiak hope work being done in the lab will provide more information about how Bering Sea crab populations handle climate change. (Elyssa Loughlin/Alaska Public Media)



Pacific Saury: Overfishing and Environmental Change Puts Future of Japanese Autumn Delicacy in Doubt



Four years into the Yukon salmon collapse, an Interior Alaska village wonders if it will ever fish again

By Kavitha George, Alaska Public Media - Anchorage - September 15, 2023



An aerial view of Fort Yukon Alaska on Aug. 29, 2023. (Matt Faubion/Alaska Public Media)

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OBJECTIVE

Implement an international ocean intelligence system of monitoring, research and analytical approaches that provides timely advice to decision makers about the impact of current and future climate conditions on socioecological systems.





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MAJOR COMPONENTS OF BECI



- 1.MODELING
- 2.DATA MOBILIZATION
- **3.0BSERVATION AND MONITORING**
- 4.TARGETED AT-SEA RESEARCH
- 5.OUTREACH, COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION

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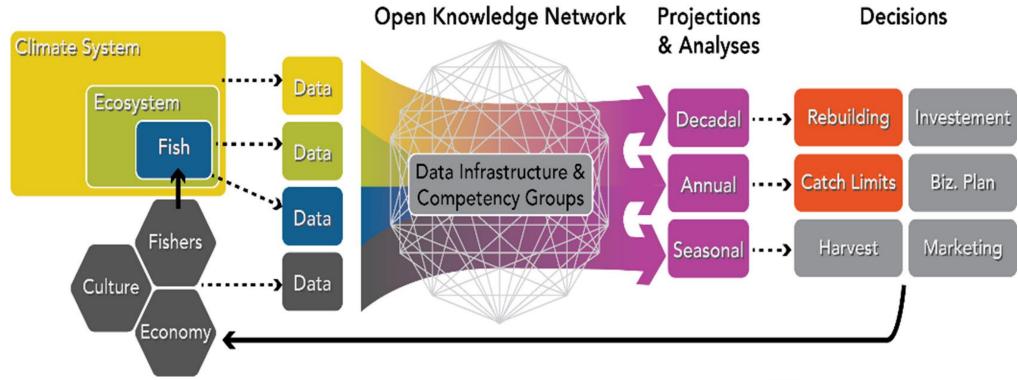






DATA SYNTHESIS





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BECI PROGRESS



2022

2023

2024 ONWARDS

2022 BECI WORKSHOP SERIES

2023 SCIENCE PLAN
DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

UPDATE TO PICES AND NPAFC

APPLICATION FOR SEED FUNDING

FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

STAFFING FOR SCIENCE DIRECTOR

COMPLETION OF SCIENCE PLAN AND DISTRIBUTION FOR COMMENTS

BUILDING OF IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND COLLABORATION NETWORK



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