



**In the context of the BBNJ  
Preparatory Committee Meeting III**

You are kindly invited to attend a side event on

**The MAREANO Program  
SEABED EXPLORER AND MAPPER**

There are still major deficiencies in the basic knowledge of ocean biodiversity, ecosystem functioning, resilience and connectivity

Increasing our fundamental knowledge of the ocean systems is essential to underpin all societal, environmental and economic activities in the ocean.

The MAREANO Program can contribute to :

"Increase scientific knowledge, develop research capacity and transfer marine technology, taking into account the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission Criteria and Guidelines on the Transfer of Marine Technology, in order to improve ocean health and to enhance the contribution of marine biodiversity to the development of developing countries, in particular small island developing States and least developed countries" SDG 14.a



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food and drinks will be served

