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Latest News and Resources for Ocean Planners and Managers

- First round of UN treaty negotiations on high seas biodiversity wraps up(read more here and here)
- Marine protection plan presented to Bahamian government for review and approval
- · Ireland reaches first milestone in MSP process, publishing report on all marine activity
- European Commission finds EU has made some progress but not enough on reducing pressures on marine environment
- New database allows users to find and compare conservation plans from around the world
- Resources available for teaching about ocean planning to secondary/post-secondary classrooms
- 35 percent of wetlands lost between 1970 and 2015
- Jamaica bans single use plastic bags and straws by 2019
- Training helps US communities calculate nuisance flooding frequency
- New guidance helps US practitioners incorporate habitat protection and restoration into flood mitigation activities
- Indicators developed to assess ecological resilience of five Gulf of Mexico ecosystems
- Take a survey on critical research gaps for EBM implementation in US
- · Apply for a free Saildrone data mission by December 31
- European Commission calls for MSP proposals by October 23
- One Planet One Ocean: From Science to Solutions MOOC underway registration still available

And a few other things in ocean and science news that might be of interest:

- First commercial container ship crosses Arctic
- Google unveils search engine for open data
- European research funders mandate funded research to require open access publishing by 2020
- Fish can tell when diver has speargun
- Want to see how all life on earth stacks up (by weight)? Warning: Bacteria are 1,166 times more massive than humans, marine mammals weigh a fifth of what they used to

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