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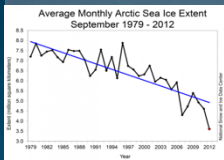
JULY 2023

SEABED 2030

Energizing Ocean Floor Mapping



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Seabed 2030 Director



13 September 2008

12 September 2012

Arctic Ocean 80°N/156°W

Courtesy: Larry Mayer, UNH

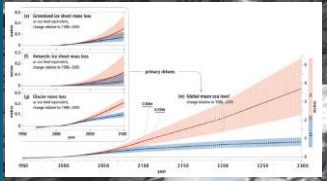


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You Can't Properly Manage what you Haven't Measured

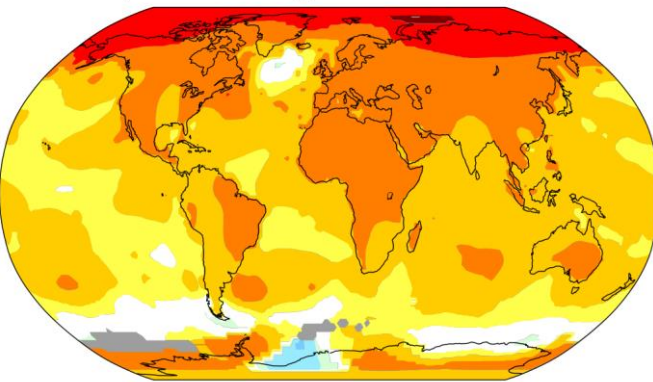
Predicted global mean sea level rise by 2300
600 million people live within 10 m above sea level



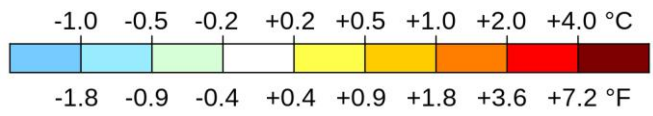
Ryder Fjord, N Greenland

Courtesy: Martin Jakobsson, SU

Temperature change in the last 50 years



2011-2021 average vs 1956-1976 baseline



Climate

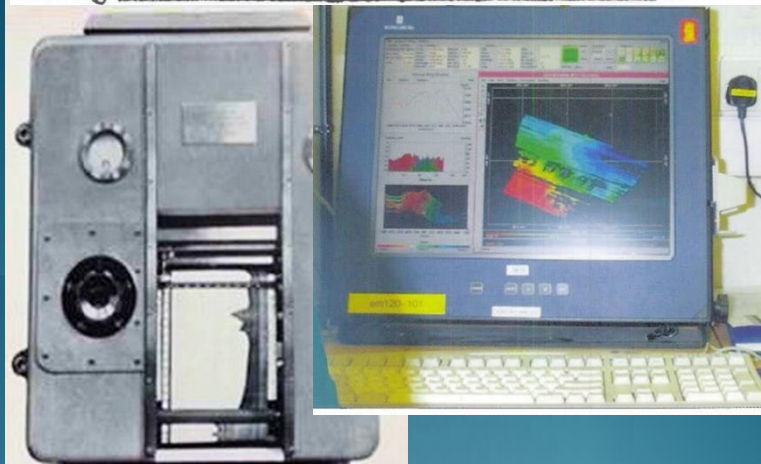
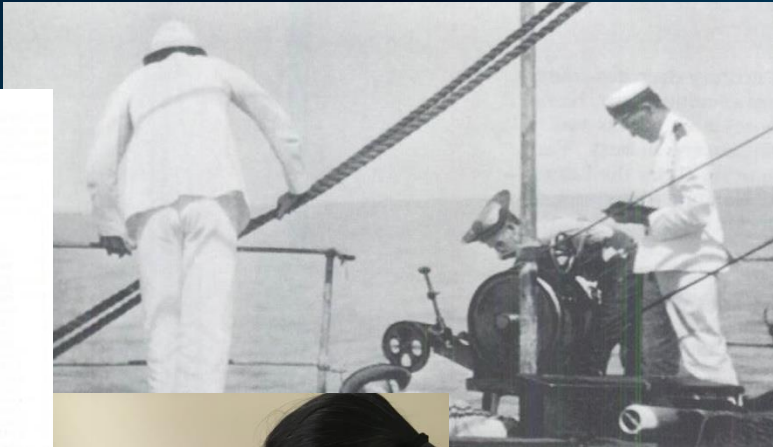
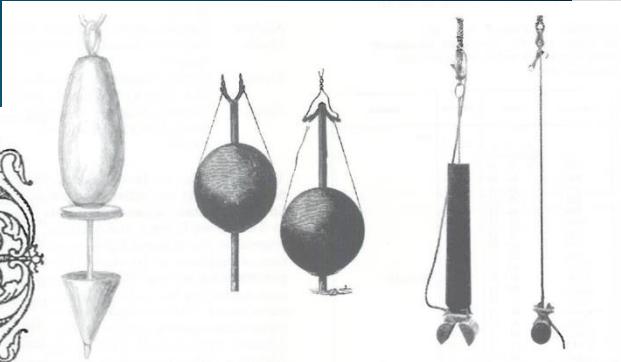
Courtesy: NASA



Alaska 1975

Courtesy: NOAA

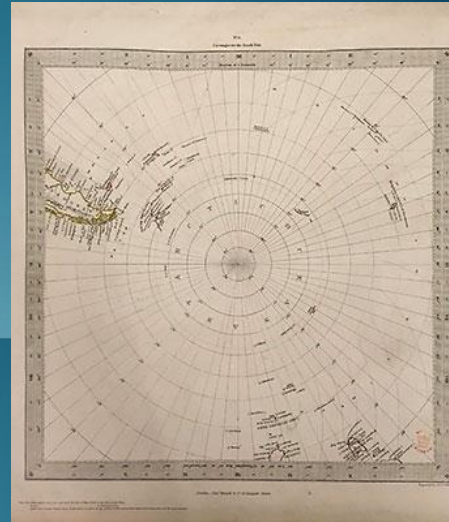
Gathering Depth Information



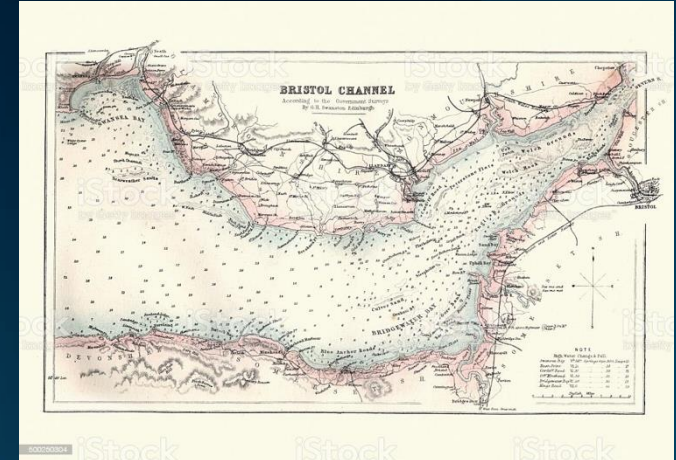
Portrayal as a Necessity



James Cook, 1770

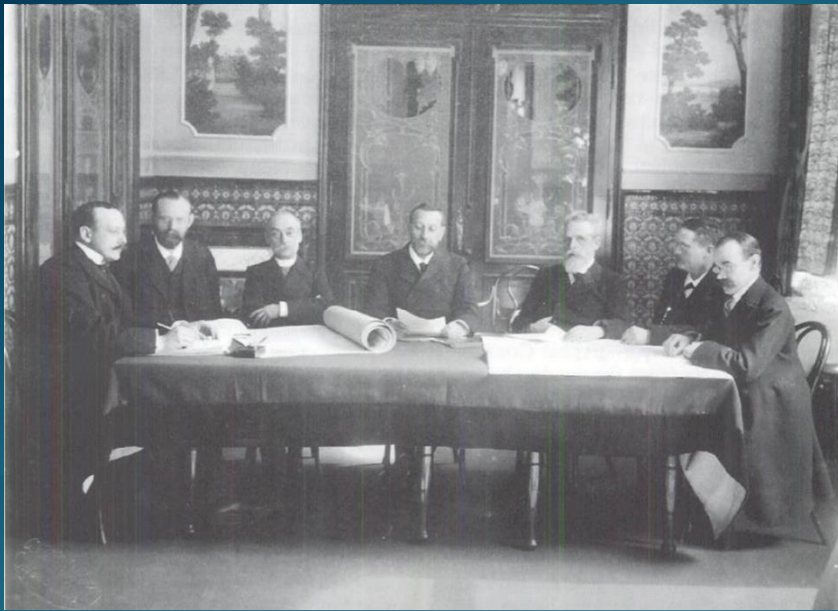


Edward Bransfield, 1820 observation on 1844 chart



Bristol Channel, 1880

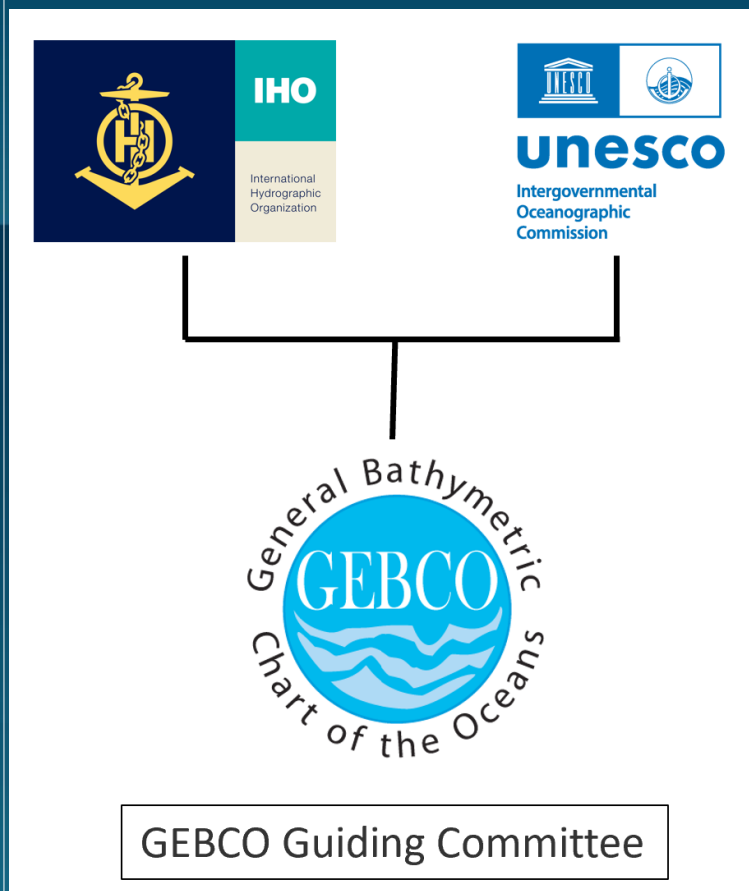
The General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans GEBCO



Established
1903



GEBCO



Joint programme of:

- The International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
- &
- The Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC/UNESCO)

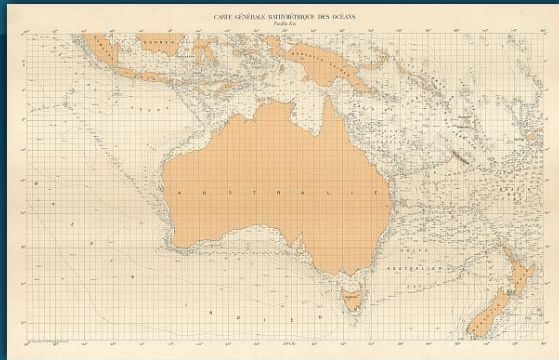
Aim: provide authoritative, publicly-available bathymetry (depth) data sets of the world's oceans

Mainly voluntary international community of:

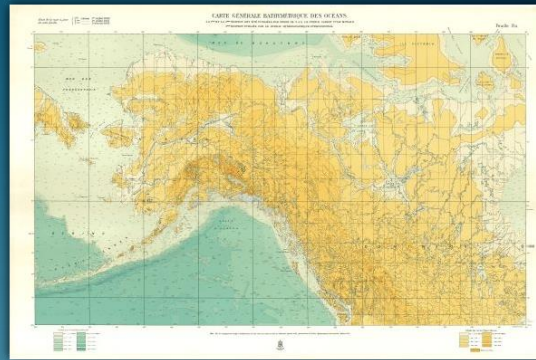
- Scientists
- Oceanographers
- Hydrographers
- Citizens

GEBCO over the decades

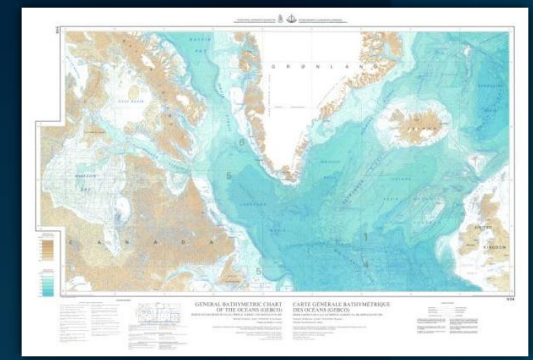
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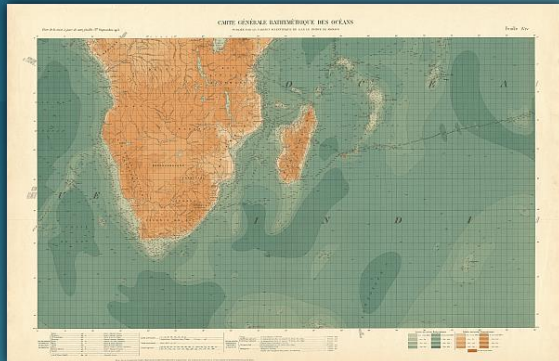
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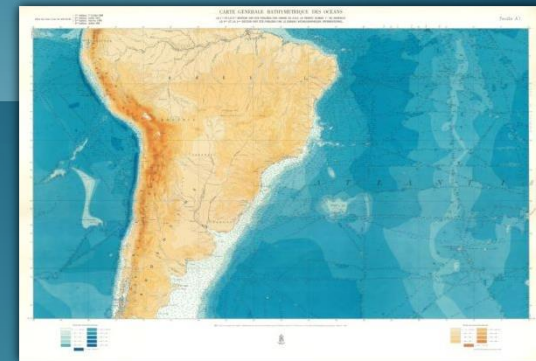
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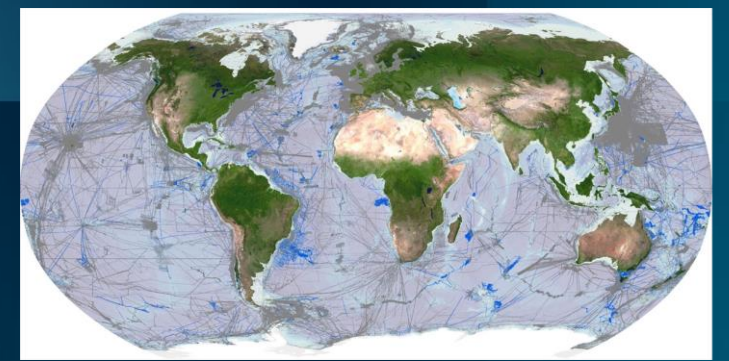
2nd Edition 1910-30



4th Edition 1958-73



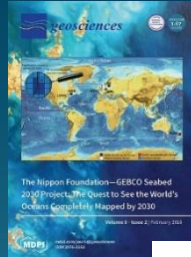
2023 Release



The Nippon Foundation-GEBCO Seabed 2030 Project



June 2016



June 2017



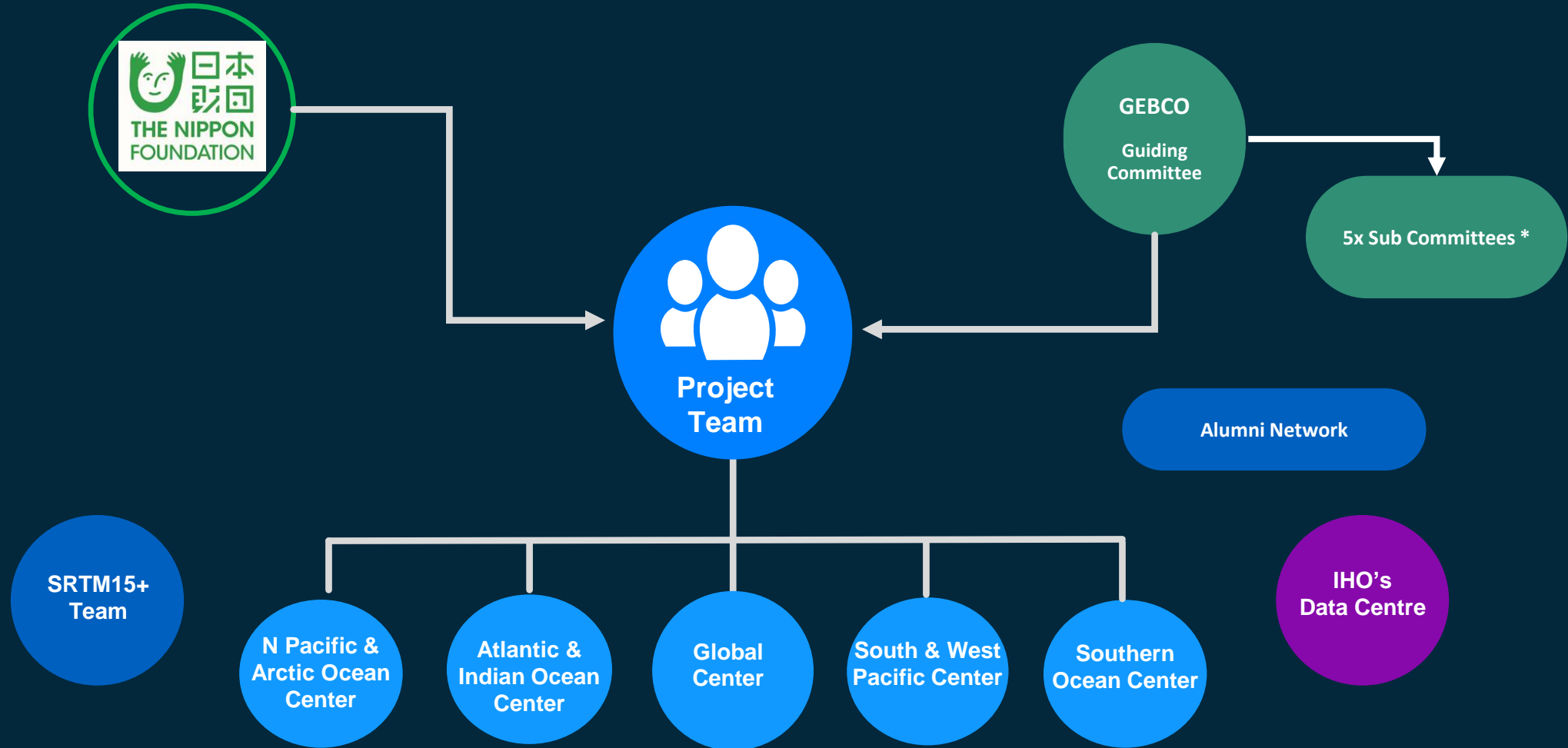
June 2021

Seabed 2030 = accelerator to GEBCO's aim

Collaboration to:

- inspire 100% seabed mapping by 2030
- compile the GEBCO Map

Seabed 2030 Simplified Network



* *Technical / Regional / Undersea Feature Names / Engagement & Outreach / Education & Training*



DECADE OUTCOMES

"THE OCEAN WE WANT"

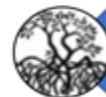
- **Clean**
- **Healthy & Resilient**
- **Productive**
- **Predicted**
- **Safe**
- **Accessible**
- **Inspiring & Engaging**

OCEAN DECADE CHALLENGES



Pollutants

Coastal -bathymetry



Ecosystems

Mapping central



Food from the Ocean

Bathymetry dependent



Ocean economy

Mapping intensive



Ocean-climate nexus

Modelling, SLR, etc.



Ocean-related risks

Bathymetry intensive



Ocean observing system

Georeferencing



Ocean digital representation

Central facility



Capacity development

Strongly needed



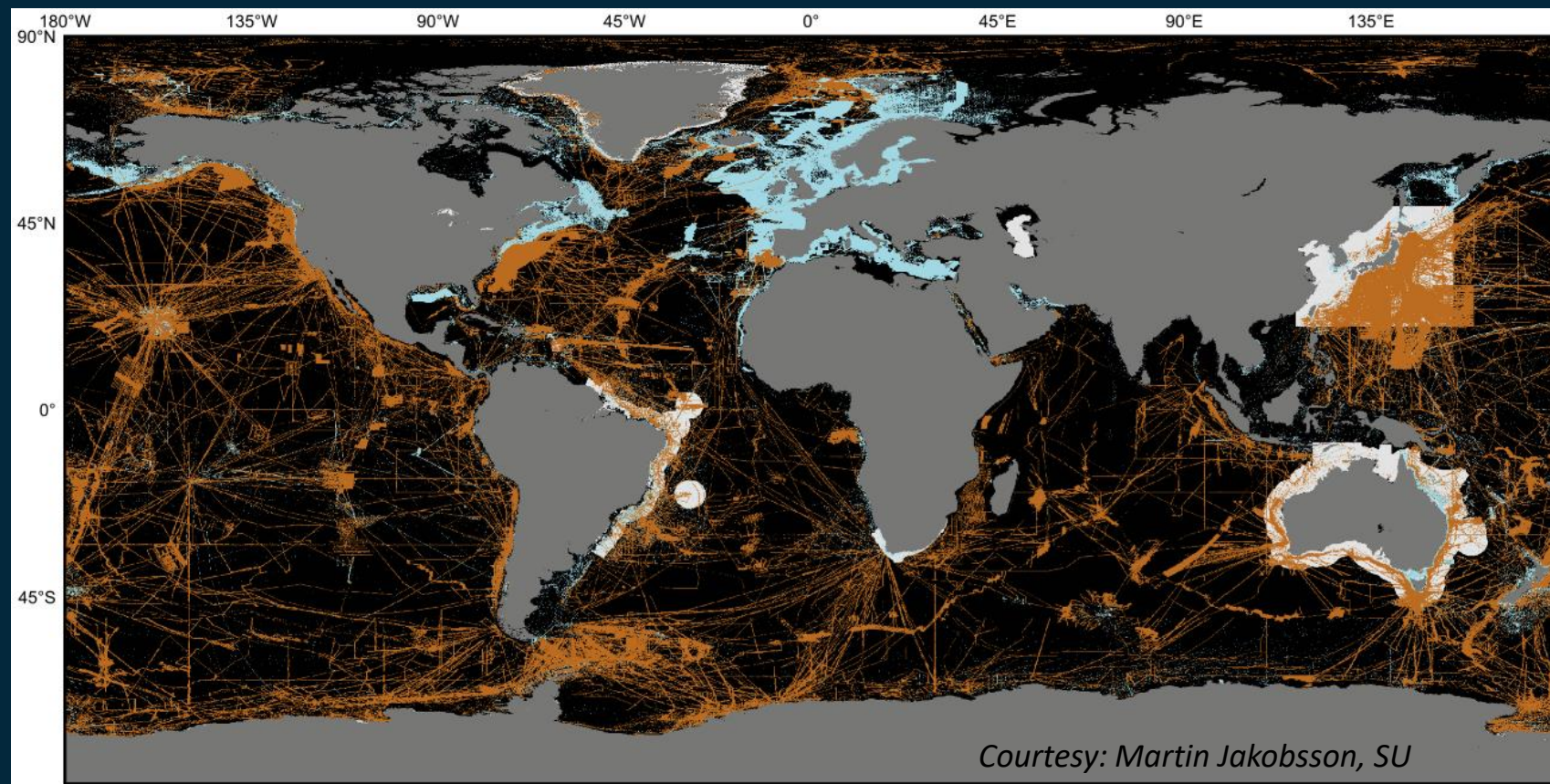
Behaviour change

Resonates with people

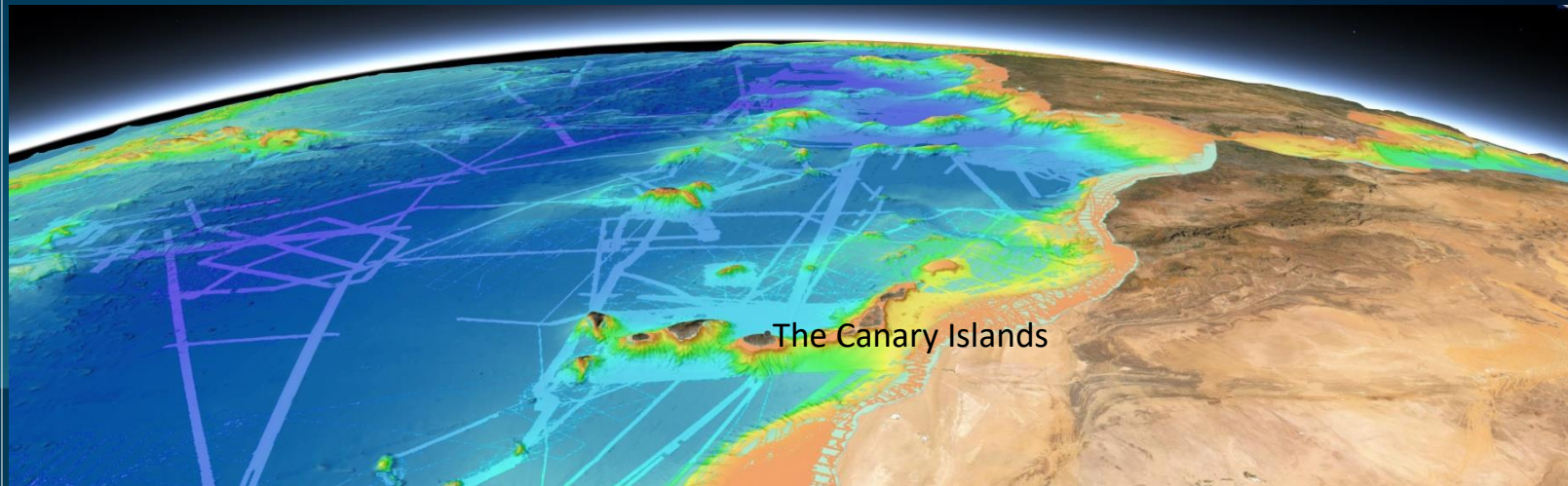
Progress so far ...

GEBCO Map:

- 6% in 2017
- Now **24.9%**
 - 90.1 million KM2
 - 5 x South America
 - 3 x Africa



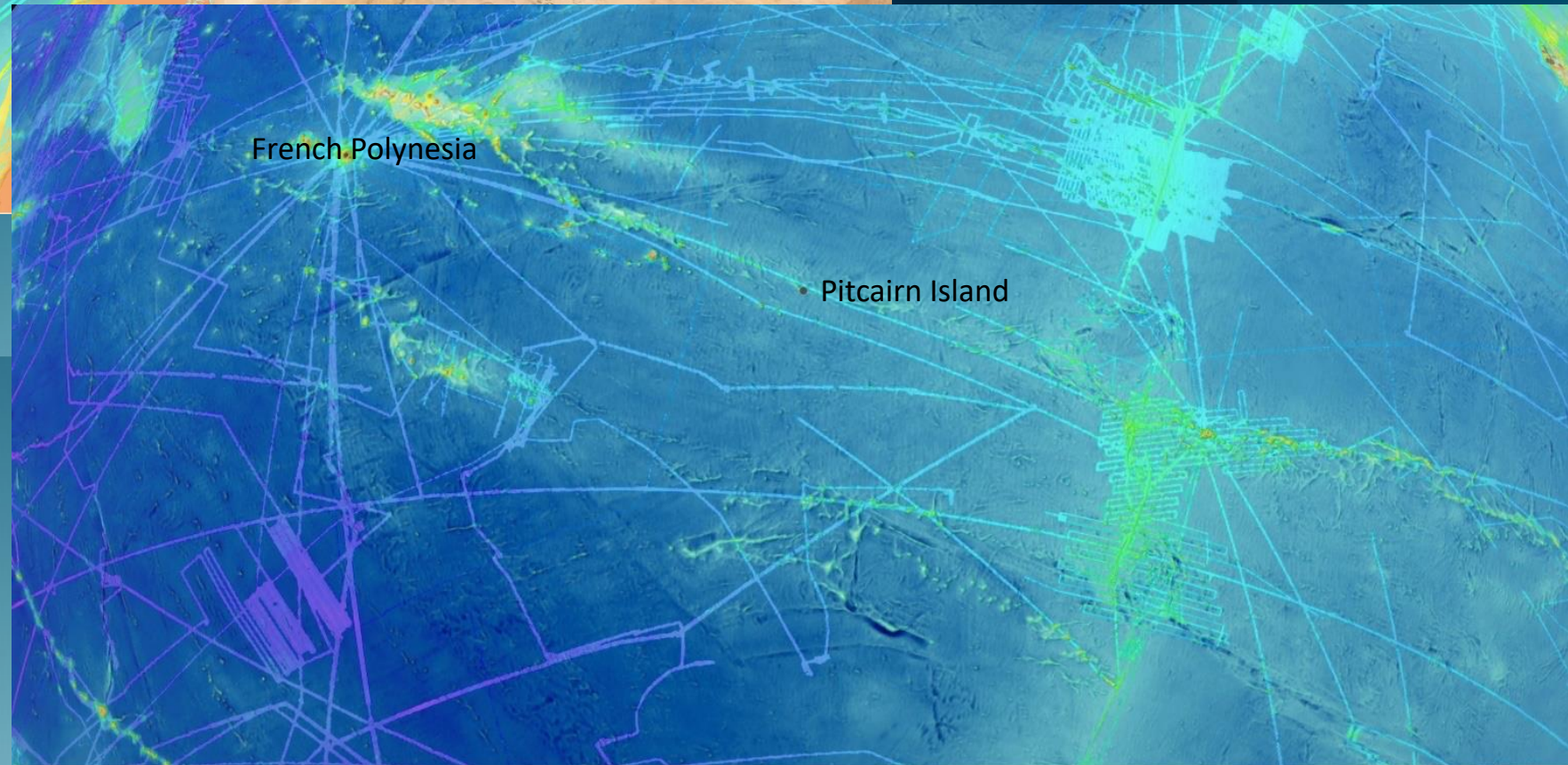
3/4 of ocean floor still to go



**Paucity of
Depth Information**

**To manage
effectively**

...we must map

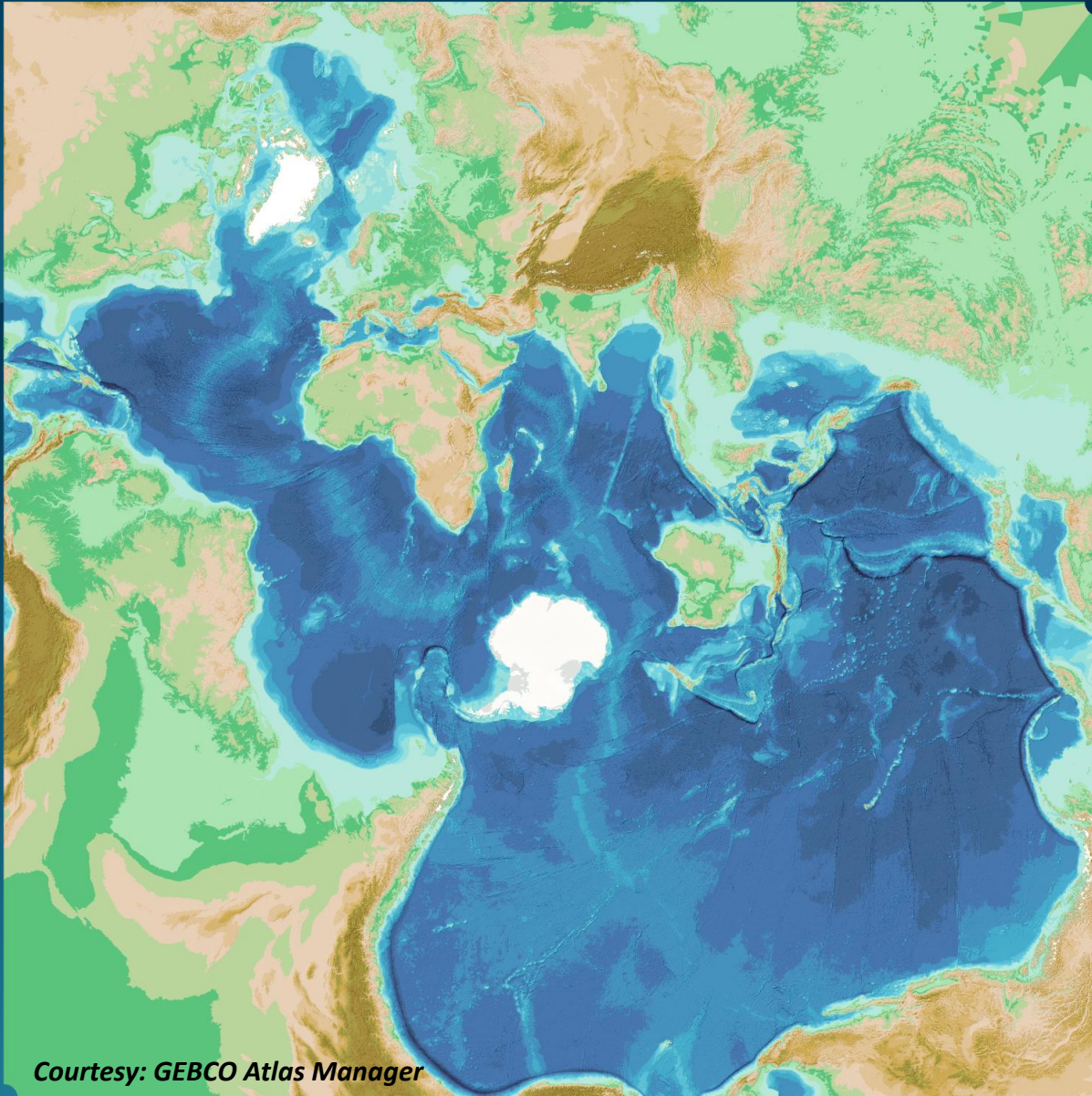


Target Resolutions

- Depth dependent
- We will never ask for data of any higher resolution than:
 - 1 x depth value in 100x100m box

At best only one depth value in area ~ size of a soccer pitch





Courtesy: GEBCO Atlas Manager

It really is

Our One Ocean!

Vision:

**100% Ocean Floor
mapped by 2030**

Thank you

