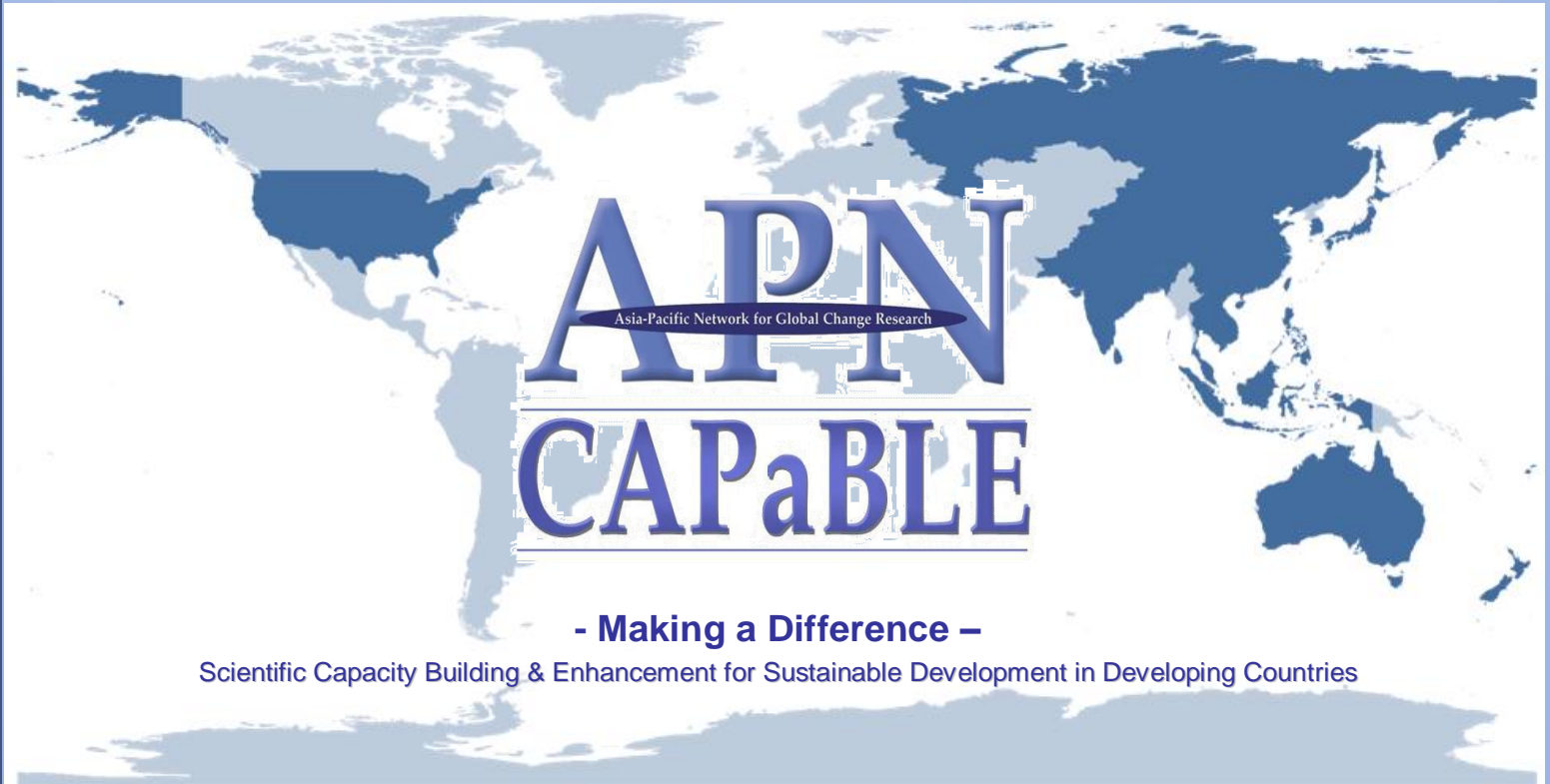


# International Workshop on Marine Invasive Species (MIS) problems in Northwest Pacific



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## OVERVIEW OF PROJECT WORK AND OUTCOMES

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### Non-technical summary

The problem of marine invasive species (MIS) is one of the major threats to marine biological diversity at present, while there is still insufficient information about MIS at both national and international levels. With the aim of exchanging of information on MIS problems, and exchanging of experiences on the prevention and control of MIS, the Regional Workshop on marine invasive species (MIS) Problems in Northwest Pacific Region was held in Qingdao, China during 23–24 October 2012. About 20 prominent experts were invited from 17 organizations, such as Division of Marine Environment of the Department of Pollution Prevention and Control of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China, Division of Biological Safety of the Department of Nature and Ecology Conservation of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China, NOWPAP RCU, Shandong Maritime Safety Administration of China, and more than 20 local researchers in Qingdao City. During the workshop, participants discussed on Current situation of MIS problems in NOWPAP member states, Impacts of the MIS on Ecosystems and Environment in NOWPAP Member Countries, and Current policies and measures on preventing and controlling MIS problems in the NOWPAP member states and future needs for policies, measures and regional cooperation. Finally, they made recommendations on several areas, which include regional cooperation, reliable research and study, prevention measures and so on.

### Keywords

Marine Invasive Species, Northwest Pacific, NOWPAP, DINRAC

### Objectives

The main objectives of the project were:

1. exchange of information on MIS problems among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states
2. exchange of experiences on the prevention and control of MIS problems among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states
3. analysis of the needs for policies and measures on MIS problems
4. recommendations for NOWPAP member states

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### Activity undertaken

The Regional Workshop on marine invasive species (MIS) Problems in Northwest Pacific Region was held in Qingdao, China during 23–24 October 2012

### Results

The regional workshop mainly discussed such issues as the current situation of MIS problem in the NOWPAP region, experiences and good practices on the prevention and control of MIS, challenges in prevention and control of MIS, and the needs for policies and measures on MIS in NOWPAP member states, the necessity and ways of cooperation among NOWPAP member states for the prevention and control of MIS in NOWPAP region, etc.

Through this workshop, it can be said that the understanding of the issue of MIS among the researchers and government officials of NOWPAP member states was improved, the awareness on

the necessity and ways to prevent and control MIS among NOWPAP member states was increased, and the awareness on the need for regional cooperation among NOWPAP member states to prevent and control MIS was also increased.

### **Relevance to the APN Goals, Science Agenda and to Policy Processes**

This project is in line with the aims of CAPaBLE and APN, and will contribute to the goals of CAPaBLE and APN. MIS problems are among the most important global issues with regard to biodiversity changes and management of the marine ecosystems, but there is still insufficient information about MIS at both national and regional levels in NOWPAP region. This workshop is to promote the exchange of information on MIS, exchange of experiences on the prevention and control of MIS among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, analysis of the needs for policies and measures on MIS problems and recommendations for NOWPAP member states, thus to promote the understanding of MIS problems by experts and policy-makers, facilitate and science-policy linkages, influence policy, and also to raise awareness and capacity of the experts and officials in NOWPAP region, and to promote the contacts and links among the relevant experts and officials in NOWPAP region.

### **Self evaluation**

During the workshop, officers and experts from China, Korea, Japan and Russia discussed such issues as current situation of MIS problem in NOWPAP region, experiences and good practices on the prevention and control of MIS, challenges in prevention and control of MIS, and the needs for policies and measures on MIS in NOWPAP member states, the necessity and ways of cooperation among NOWPAP member states for prevention and control of MIS in NOWPAP region, etc.

Through this workshop, it provides a better and wider view of MIS in NOWPAP region, meanwhile, the outcome of this workshop has disseminated to other institutes, organizations, and experts concerned MIS problems through our publication, emails, and experts/officials who attended this workshop.

Last but not the least, this workshop provides a platform for international officials and experts to communicate, and build a cooperation mechanism through this workshop.

### **Potential for further work**

The problem of marine invasive species is one of the major threats to marine biological diversity, including the Northwest Pacific area, and this workshop is very necessary for solving marine invasive species problems. The outcome of the workshop analyzed the situation of MIS and point out several ways to strengthen the future work, which including strengthening national, regional and international efforts to control invasive alien species; encourage the development of effective work programme on invasive alien species at all levels; accelerate the development of measures to address invasive alien species; and more cooperation on MIS with other international organizations.

### **Publications (please write the complete citation)**

1. Report of the "Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region"
2. Report of recommendations reached at the workshop to relevant officials in NOWPAP member countries;
3. Publicize the workshop proceedings at DINRAC's website for free access

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## TECHNICAL REPORT

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### Preface

This report synthesized the main findings and recommendations from the Regional Workshop on marine invasive species (MIS) Problems in Northwest Pacific Region. The objective of this report is to display the current MIS situation, including the problems, insufficient methods in NOWPAP region, and find solutions for these problems and provide a direction for future study.

Overall, MIS is one of the major threats to marine biological diversity at present all over the world, and the report's conclusions and recommendations identify the key measures needed to effectively move forward in this direction. We hope this report could assist NOWPAP region and even worldwide in MIS's future study.

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## 1.0 Introduction

The problem of marine invasive species (MIS) is one of the major threats to marine biological diversity, which plays a critical role in overall sustainable development and poverty eradication, and is essential to our planet, human well-being and to the livelihood and cultural integrity of people. Marine invasive species have serious negative impacts on marine biodiversity, including damage to ecosystems, change of ecosystem functions, and cause of genetic changes in coastal organisms. It also has impacts on economy. For many years, the international society has been making efforts to control this problem. The Convention on Biological Diversity states that each Contracting Party shall, as far as possible and as appropriate, prevent the introduction of, control or eradicate those alien species which threaten ecosystems, habitats or species. The Agenda 21 called on the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and other international bodies to take action to address the transfer of harmful organisms by ships. The WSSD in 2002, in its Johannesburg Plan of Implementation, urges all countries to strengthen national, regional and international efforts to control invasive alien species, encourage the development of effective work programme on invasive alien species at all levels, and urges nations to accelerate the development of measures to address invasive alien species in ballast water. In the outcome document of “Rio+20”, “the future we want”, it is stated that “We note the significant threat alien invasive species pose to marine ecosystems and resources and commit to implement measures to prevent the introduction of, and manage the adverse environmental impacts of alien invasive species, including, as appropriate, those adopted in the framework of the IMO”.

With the support and cooperation from all members of the Northwest Pacific Action Plan (NOWPAP), the Data and Information Network Regional Activity Center (DINRAC) of NOWPAP carried out a joint research on MIS and its potential damage in Northwest Pacific region in 2009, which produced national reports by China, Japan, Republic of Korea and Russia, and a regional overview. The regional overview concluded that there is insufficient information about MIS at both national and international levels. There is a strong need to strengthen the data exchange and communication among relevant countries to share available information and to discuss future activities in this field.

Under this situation, with assistance from the partners, namely, the A.V. Zhirmunsky Institute of Marine Biology of the Far-East Branch of Russian Academy of Science, Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology, and East Sea Fisheries Research Institute of Korea National Fisheries Research & Development Institute, DINRAC started to apply for financial support from the Asian-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN) under its CAPaBLE Programme to convene a regional workshop on MIS problems in the Northwest Pacific Region to to promote exchange of information on MIS problems among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, exchange of experiences on the prevention and control of MIS among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, analysis of the needs for policies and measures on MIS and recommendations for NOWPAP member states, which also meets the objectives of the CAPaBLE Programme, which aims at providing researchers (young and aspiring scientists in particular) and decision - makers with opportunities for capacity development in the area of global change.

In April 2012, DINRAC was awarded financial support by APN to hold the “the Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region”. In July 2012, the Contract for the workshop project was signed between APN and DINRAC.

Since July 2012, DINRAC started the preparatory work for the workshop, including making the Announcement of the Regional Workshop, Logistic Information (Annex 2) and Registration form. In order to facilitate the invitation of prominent and experienced experts from China, Japan, Korea and Russia, since July 2012, DINRAC started to seek support from the Regional Coordination Unit (RCU)

of NOWPAP, A.V. Zhirmunsky Institute of Marine Biology of the Far-East Branch of Russian Academy of Science, Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology, East Sea Fisheries Research Institute of Korea National Fisheries Research & Development Institute had provided professional support, the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China, Japan Oceanographic Data Center, Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Science, the Marine Ecology Research Center of the First Institute of Oceanography of State Oceanic Administration of China and other research institutes to improve the agenda of the workshop and help invite experts from the four countries. These organizations and institutes have been working on MIS problems for many years and have contacts with prominent experts in this field.

With technical support from the organizations, the Final Agenda of the workshop included three major topics: Session 1: Current situation of MIS problems in NOWPAP member states, Session 2: Impacts of the MIS on Ecosystems and Environment in NOWPAP Member Countries, and Session 3: Current policies and measures on preventing and controlling MIS problems in the NOWPAP member states and future needs for policies, measures and regional cooperation. About 20 prominent experts were invited from 17 organizations in the four countries and more than 20 relevant local researchers in Qingdao City were also invited

During October 23-24, 2012, the Regional Workshop on marine invasive species (MIS) Problems in Northwest Pacific Region was held in Qingdao, China. Representatives from the Division of Marine Environment of the Department of Pollution Prevention and Control of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China, Division of Biological Safety of the Department of Nature and Ecology Conservation of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China, NOWPAP RCU, Shandong Maritime Safety Administration of China made opening remarks at the workshop, and 13 presentations were made by the experts, followed by discussions.

With financial support from the Asian-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN) and human resource support from the First Institute of Oceanography of State Oceanic Administration of China, DINRAC tried its best to provide appropriate accommodation, food and other meeting support for the participants, who showed satisfaction with the organization of the workshop.

## **2.0 Methodology**

### **2.1 The Status Quo of Marine Species Invasion in Northwest Pacific Region and Its Influences**

The reports of research and seminars on invasive species in Northwest Pacific regions produced by experts from government and research departments, colleges of China, Japan, Korea and Russia initiated by Data and Information Network Regional Activity Center of NOWPAP (The Action Plan for the Protection, Management and Development of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Northwest Pacific Region) demonstrate the following:

In total, more than 120 species are introduced to China seas, mainly from North America, England, Europe, Pacific Ocean and North Indian Ocean, of which 9 are bacteria, 7 algae, 8 plants, 7 coelenterate, 1 polychaete, 17 molluscs, 8 crustacea, 4 planus, 2 echinoderm, 4 urochorda, 45 fishes, 4 birds and 8 mammals. China had introduced 41 aquaculture species as of the year of 2007. Main fish species are Japanese prawn, South America white spawn, red claw crayfish, giant river prawn, tiger prawn, *penaeus stylirostris*, etc. Main shells are: *argopecten irradians*, *patinopecten yessoensis*, *crassostrea gigas*, *haliotis rufescens*, *haliotis fulgens*, *panopea generosa* and *mercenaria mercenaria*, etc. Main aquatic plants are *spartina alterniflora*, *apartina anglica* etc. The others are *balanus eburneus*, *balanus improvises*, *amphibalanus amphitrite*, *ciona intestinalis*, *molgula manhattensis*, *styla canopus* etc. The invasive algae carried by ballast water are *chaetoceros concavicornis*,

cyclindrotheca closterium, melosira cancellata, nitzschia deicatissima, prorocentrum minimum, prorocentrum sigmoides, scrippsiella trochoidea, pinnularia viridis, prorocentrum balticum, alexandrium catenella, peridinales, alexandrium tamarense, gymnodinium catenatum and karenia mikimotoi hasen.

There are 39 marine species that have invaded Japan (as of the year of 2011), of which 60.9% is from ship fouling, 15.2% from ballast water, and 13% from aquaculture. The number is still growing year by year. The invasive species are mainly from Northwest Pacific Ocean, East Asia Seas and Northwest Atlantic Ocean and include 2 plathyhelminthes, 3 annelida, 12 molluscs, 12 arthropods, 9 bryophyta and 1 angiosperm. Main marine Invasive species are: maja spinigera, mediterranean green crab, mercenaria mercenaria, lateolabrax japonicus, euspira fortunei, amphibalanus amphitrite, nassarius semiplicatus, mytilus galloprovincialis, perna viridis, mytilopsis sallei, meretrix petechialis, hydroides elegans and corbicula fluminea.

Korea has 27 marine Invasive species (as of the year of 2011), mainly from ship fouling, ballast water and aquaculture. The Invasive species include 1 spongiatia, 3 coelenterata, 3 molluscs, 4 cirripedia, 5 bryophyta, 5 phylum chordata and 6 algae. There are 7 primary invasive species, mytilus galloprovincialis, amphibalanus amphitrite, hole balanus, ciona intestinalis, styela plicata, and two ulva.

Russia has 66 marine invasive species (as of the year of 2011), mostly from ship fouling and ballast water, and secondly from aquaculture and international introduction. The primary invasive species are balanus improvisus, corophium acherusicum, portunus sanguinolentus, plagusia tuberculata, nereis succinea, mytilus galloprovincialis, haliotis discus hannai, aplysia parvula, bugula californica, ciona intestinalis, dermochelys coriacea, red turtle and pelamis platura.

Marine species invasion endangers ecosystem, economy and public health in various degrees. Ecologically, the invasive marine species threatens bio-diversity, damages genetic diversity, and causes genetic pollution. Economically, it has caused great loss to agriculture. In the meantime, the cost occurring in the elimination and control of invasive species is gigantic. And the collateral damage to the society, ecology, environment, and resources is incalculable. As far as public health is concerned, many invasive marine species themselves are the pathogens or the media of pathogens, which cause epidemics, and threaten human health.

## **2.2 Policies and Measures on Dealing with Invasive Marine Species in Northwest Pacific Ocean Region and the Inadequacy**

China has not promulgated specific laws or regulations on marine invasive species, but some regulations involve the management of invasive marine species, such as *Fisheries Law of the People's Republic of China*, *Marine Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of China*, *Law of the People's Republic of China on the Protection of Wildlife* and *Regulations Of the People's Republic of China on Wild Plants Protection* etc. Article 16 of *Fisheries Law of the People's Republic of China* stipulates that no new aquatic species may be popularized unless it has been examined and approved by the National Committee for Examination and Approval of Original Breeding and Good Breeding and has been announced by the fishery administrative department of the State Council. Article 25 of *Marine Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of China* provides that the introduction of marine biological species shall be subject to scientific assessment to avoid damages to marine ecosystems. Article 24 of *Law of the People's Republic of China on the Protection of Wildlife* states that the export of wildlife under special state protection or the products thereof, and the import or export of wildlife or the products thereof, whose import or export is restricted by international conventions to which China is a party, must be approved by the department of wildlife

administration under the State Council or by the State Council, and an import or export permit must be obtained from the state administrative organ in charge of the import and export of the species which are near extinction. Article 20 of *Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Wild Plants Protection* prescribes that the export of wild plants under special state protection or the import or export of wild plants whose import or export is restricted by international conventions to which China is a party, must be verified by the department of wild plants administration under the government of the province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the central government which the importer or exporter belongs to, and then be submitted to the department of wild plants administration under the State Council for approval. In the field of prevention and control of marine invasive species, China is still in need of systematic regulatory and legal system, and is facing plenty problems, like scarce scientific research investment, inadequate information, incomplete management and control system, and the low awareness of the public.

Japan is currently the biggest source country of ballast water. Japan discharged 318 million tons of ballast water in 1997, accounting for 10% of the world's total discharge. In Japan, marine invasion is mainly from ship fouling, but this country is lack of research on ship fouling introduction as well as the distribution information on ship fouling, especially the distribution information in Tokyo Bay, Osaka Bay and Ise Bay. Inadequate information is now the main obstacle of the prevention and control of marine species invasion for Japan, therefore it is necessary for Japan to develop and promote innocuous antifouling paint technology, to expand science and technology to reduce the flow of species outside the ship, to increase the frequency of ship docking to examine and remove fouling, and to regulate or prohibit the under-water remove of ship fouling, as well as to emphasize the international communication to jointly prevent and control marine species invasion<sup>[1]</sup>.

Korea has enacted some laws and regulations on marine invasive species, like *Action Plan for the Protection and Management of Marine Ecosystems*, *Action Plan for Marine Environment Management*, and *Action Plan for Ballast Water Management*. Chapter 3 of *Action Plan for the Protection and Management of Marine Ecosystem* stipulates that the marine species should be protected, and Article 23 under which is about the biological management and control of species damaging the marine ecosystem, and the relevant measures to prevent and control marine invasion species. Chapter 3 of *Action Plan for Marine Environment Management* provides relevant regulations on the prevention and management of marine pollution, Article 22 under which prohibits the discharge of contamination. The purpose of formulating *Action Plan for Ballast Water Management* is to control the destructive aquatic organism invasion, which involves management, exchange and discharge.

Russia's environmental legal system consists of federal law, presidential decree, governmental order and federal executive agencies act etc. Russia has not enacted specific laws on the invasion species, and lacks relevant state level measurements. Federal laws contain some regulations on marine species invasion, like prohibiting the growth and existence of plants and animals that do not belong to their natural ecosystem, prohibiting the introduction of another species to national wildlife reserves and national parks, requiring approval of related statutory machinery on the transfer of a specific fauna. *Regulations on Federal Supervisory Natural Resources Management Service* approved by Russian government stipulates that the federal department of the Federal Supervisory Natural Resources Management Service is entitled to issue permit on the entrance of non-native fauna. In 2004, Russia acceded to *International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments*, meanwhile, it also acceded to *International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships*.

### **2.3 International Conventions on Marine Species Invasion and the Regulations**

International conventions on marine species invasion mainly include: *Convention on Biological Diversity*, *Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety*, *United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea*, *Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat*, *International Convention on Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships*, *International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments*, *Convention on Law of Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses*, etc. *International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments*, which was adopted in 2004, has attracted wide attention due to its strict regulations and implementation.

Marine invasion species threatening marine ecosystem by means of ballast water has aroused attention. The species in the ballast water can be as many as thousands. Global Environment Facility (GEF) has listed the introduction of harmful species to new environment via ballast water and the consequent damages as one of the four hazards. Agenda 21 adopted on the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development held in Brazil in 1992 requested International Maritime Organization (IMO) to take necessary measures to solve the transfer of harmful aquatic organisms carried in ballast water. World Summit on Sustainable Development held in South Africa in 2002 reiterated Agenda 21, and called for IMO to take immediate measures to solve the problem of the introduction of aquatic organisms carried in ships. In 1997, IMO adopted a non-mandatory regulation, *Guidelines for Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water to Minimize the Transfer of Harmful Aquatic Organisms and Pathogens* [A. 868(20)]. It also convened Diplomatic Conference in 2004 and concluded *International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments* <sup>[2]</sup>. The convention should enter into force twelve months after ratification by 30 countries, representing 35 percent of world's merchant shipping tonnage.

The core technology content of *International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments* is the management of ballast water, by means of mechanical, physical, chemical or biological processes, either singularly or in combination, to remove, render harmless, or avoid uptake or discharge of harmful aquatic organisms and pathogens within ballast water and sediments. The ultimate purpose of this convention is to require ships to conduct ballast water treatment to meet the density standards for the existence of organisms and microorganisms. The convention is composed of Articles, technology Annex and two Appendices. The convention includes 22 Articles, providing application, general obligations, inspection, violation and requirements on entry into force. Annex *Regulations for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments to Prevent, Minimize and Ultimately Eliminate the Transfer of Harmful Aquatic Organisms and Pathogens*, including General Provisions (Section A), Management and Control Requirements For Ships (Section B), Special Requirements in Certain Areas (Section C), Standards for Ballast Water Management (Section D), Survey and Certification Requirements for Ballast Water Management (Section E), provides detailed regulations and requirements. Appendices contain forms of International Ballast Water Management Certificate as well as Ballast Water Record Book <sup>[3]</sup>.

Annex *Regulations for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments to Prevent, Minimize and Ultimately Eliminate the Transfer of Harmful Aquatic Organisms and Pathogens* specifically stipulates requirements on Ballast Water Management. General Provisions (Section A) consist of definitions, general applicability, exceptions and exemptions. Management and Control Requirements for Ships (Section B) includes: 1. Each ship shall have on board and implement a Ballast Water Management Plan approved by the administration to provide safe and effective Water Management procedures. 2. A ship must have a Ballast Water Record Book (Regulation B-2) to record when and where and how much ballast water is taken on board, circulated or discharged into the sea. It should also record when Ballast Water is discharged to a reception facility and other circumstances of ballast water management. Usually the first mate is responsible for recording and keeping of the record book. 3. Ballast Water Management for ships: Ships constructed before 2009

with a ballast water capacity of between 1500 and 5000 cubic meters must conduct ballast water management that at least meets the ballast water exchange standards or the ballast water performance standards until 2014, after which time it shall at least meet the ballast water performance standard. Ships constructed before 2009 with a ballast water capacity of less than 1500 or greater than 5000 cubic meters must conduct ballast water management that at least meets the ballast water exchange standards or the ballast water performance standards until 2016, after which time it shall at least meet the ballast water performance standard. A Ship constructed in or after 2009 with a ballast water Capacity of less than 5000 cubic meters must conduct ballast water management that at least meets the ballast water performance standard. Ships constructed in or after 2009 but before 2012, with a ballast water capacity of 5000 cubic meters or more shall conduct ballast water management that at least meets the ballast water performance standard after 2016. Ships constructed in or after 2012, with a ballast water capacity of 5000 cubic meters or more shall conduct ballast water management that at least meets the ballast water performance standard. All ships conducting ballast water exchange should: whenever possible, conduct ballast water exchange at least 200 nautical miles from the nearest land and in water at least 200 meters in depth. In cases where the ship is unable to conduct ballast water exchange as above, Ballast Water exchange should be conducted as far from the nearest land as possible, and in all cases at least 50 nautical miles from the nearest land and in water at least 200 meters in depth. When these requirements cannot be met, areas may be designated where ships can conduct ballast water exchange. All ships shall remove and disposal of sediments from spaces designated to carry ballast water.

Special requirements in certain areas (Section C) includes: A Party, individually or jointly with other Parties, may impose on ships additional measures to prevent, reduce, and ultimately eliminate the transfer of Harmful Aquatic Organisms and Pathogens through ships' Ballast Water and Sediments. In these cases, the Party or Parties should consult with adjoining or nearby States that may be affected by such standards or requirements and should communicate their intention to establish additional measure(s) to the Organization at least 6 months, except in emergency or epidemic situations, prior to the projected date of implementation of the measure(s). When appropriate, Parties will have to obtain the approval of IMO.

*Standards for Ballast Water Management* (Section D) provides ballast water exchange standard and ballast water performance standard, and that Ballast Water Management systems must be approved by the Administration in accordance with IMO Guidelines, and Prototype Ballast Water Treatment Technologies and Review of standards.

*Survey and Certification Requirements for Ballast Water Management* (Section E), requires that a ship of 400 gross tonnage and above should conduct an initial survey, annual survey, intermediate survey and renewal survey, and be issued or endorsed a Certificate after successful completion of the survey, excluding floating platforms, Floating Storage Units (FSUs) and Floating Production Storage and Offloading Units (FPSOs).

The execution and implementation of Convention will prevent, reduce and ultimately eliminate the risk of harmful aquatic organisms and pathogens carried by ship vessels entering into our ports, and protect marine ecosystem. In the meantime, as the execution date approaches, all the countries are intensifying the research and development of Ballast Water management technology, and have met the IMO's high technology standards, accomplished system integration and high intelligentization.<sup>[4]</sup>

### **3.0 Results & Discussion**



Through this workshop, experts and officials from the NOWPAP member countries got more knowledge and understanding of the current situation of MIS issue in the region, the measures to prevent and control MIS problems, and the necessary policies and measures to tackle MIS problems. The target audience and participants were from research institutions, government agencies and local authorities. This workshop functioned as a platform to strengthen the linkage between science and policy. Also, the connection among relevant experts was also set up and strengthened, which could facilitate their cooperation and scientific activities in the future.

The problems related to the MIS in the NOWPAP region are ones of the most important issues with regard to biodiversity changes and management; the problems including MIS appearance, establishment and expansion impact ecosystems, economy and public health; and there is insufficient information about MIS at both national and international levels, and there is no international coordination in research and management of the MIS in the NOWPAP region.

The problems of marine invasive species are directly linked to sustainable development. It is one of the major threats to biological diversity, which is the combination of life forms and their interactions with each other and with the rest of the environment that has made Earth a uniquely habitable place for humans. Biodiversity plays a critical role in overall sustainable development and poverty eradication, and is essential to our planet, human well-being and to the livelihood and cultural integrity of people. Marine invasive species have serious negative impacts on marine biodiversity, including damage to ecosystems, change of ecosystem functions, and cause of genetic changes in coastal organisms. It also has impacts on economy. For instance, marine invasive species cause great losses of aquaculture production. Meanwhile, costs of cleaning and controlling invasive species are huge. Many marine invasive species are human pathogens or vectors of the pathogens that could be epidemic. Those are harmful to human health, and can invade human body easily, spreading illness.

In response to the threats posed by invasive marine species, Article 8 (h) of the Convention on Biological Diversity states that each Contracting Party shall, as far as possible and as appropriate, prevent the introduction of, control or eradicate those alien species which threaten ecosystems, habitats or species. The Convention on Biological Diversity was one of the key agreements adopted at the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro. The Agenda 21 called on the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and other international bodies to take action to address the transfer of harmful organisms by ships.

The WSSD in Johannesburg in 2002 re-affirmed its commitment to Agenda 21, and in its Plan of Implementation, the WSSD called for acceleration of the development of measures to address invasive species in ballast water and urged IMO to finalize the IMO Ballast Water Convention. Paragraph 44(i) of the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation urges all countries to strengthen national, regional and international efforts to control invasive alien species, which are one of the main causes of biodiversity loss, and encourage the development of effective work programme on invasive alien species at all levels. And its paragraph 34(b) urges nations to accelerate the development of measures to address invasive alien species in ballast water. The International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments was adopted by IMO in February 2004.

There are a number of major gaps regarding the issue of marine invasive species identified in the "Gaps and Priorities in Addressing Marine Invasive Species" published by IUCN in 2005, including taxonomy, understanding invasion patterns, prevention and treatment technologies, legislation and regulations, management, etc. In the Joint Work Plan on Marine Invasive Species drafted for the Workshop on the Joint Programme of Work on Marine and Coastal Invasive Species jointly convened by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Global Invasive Species Programme

(GISP) and the UNEP Regional Seas Programme in Montreal in 2005, a number of gaps were also identified, including regulatory and institutional framework, management measures, capacity building needs, research needs, info sharing and awareness.

In 2010, the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity adopted the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, in which Target 9 states that, by 2020, invasive alien species and pathways are identified and prioritized, priority species are controlled or eradicated, and measures are in place to manage pathways to prevent their introduction and establishment.

This workshop touched upon the above mentioned issues and make contributions to them.

In one word, the workshop focused on the problems of marine invasive species and measures to tackle them, and contributed to the control of invasive species and the conservation of biological diversity.

#### **4.0 Conclusions**

The main objectives of the workshop include: exchange of information on MIS problems among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, exchange of experiences on the prevention and control of MIS among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, analysis of the needs for policies and measures on MIS and recommendations for NOWPAP member states

Through the workshop, the understanding of the issue of Marine Invasive Species among the researchers and government officials of NOWPAP member states was improved; the awareness on the necessity and ways to prevent and control MIS among NOWPAP member states was increased; and the awareness on the need for regional cooperation among NOWPAP member states to prevent and control MIS was also increased.

Through nearly two days' discussion, participants to the workshop made the following major conclusions:

Participants to the workshop stressed that that the problem of MIS is one of the major threats to marine ecosystem, including the Northwest Pacific area, and this workshop is very necessary for the Northwest Pacific region to brings together relevant officials and experts to exchange information and experiences on the prevention and control of MIS.

In the Northwest Pacific region, there are already a lot of research and information on the current situation of MIS, such as the origins, pathways, categories, distribution and impacts of MIS, but they are still inadequate for policy-making and management. There is insufficient reliable research and statistics of the origins, pathways, categories, distribution and impacts of MIS.

Countries in the Northwest Pacific region have made many efforts to prevent and control MIS, including legislations, putting management responsibilities on governmental organizations, implementation of international rules and guidelines, development of technologies, etc. However, due to limited knowledge and understanding of MIS, and also due to the extreme difficulty to fully investigate and control this problem, the measures are still inadequate in terms of legislation, management system and concrete actions. Participants acknowledged that, through this workshop, they shared information, experiences and knowledge on MIS in the Northwest Pacific region, and their understanding of the issue of MIS was improved, which will benefit their future international cooperation on MIS.

Participants recommended that more investigation of and research on MIS are needed, and countries in the Northwest Pacific region need to provide resources to strengthen the investigation and researches on this issue, and to develop regional cooperation on data-sharing in the framework of NOWPAP, and close cooperation with other international organizations.

Participants stressed that, since it is very difficult to eliminate MIS after their invasion, prevention measures are very important and indispensable, including strict inspection and environmental impact assessment.

Participants recommended that a rapid entry into force of the IMO Ballast Water Convention is essential to prevent further spread of MIS. There is a need to strengthen regional cooperation through participation in international organizations, including FAO, UNEP and PICES, etc.

Participants recommended that current national legislation and management systems for MIS need to be improved to further prevent and control MIS, including control of pathways that lead to the introduction and spread of MIS, routine monitoring to detect and rapid response to eradicate or control MIS before they spread, and long-term response to mitigate the impacts of MIS.

Through this workshop, it can be said that the understanding of the issue of MIS among the researchers and government officials of NOWPAP member states was improved, the awareness on the necessity and ways to prevent and control MIS among NOWPAP member states was increased, and the awareness on the need for regional cooperation among NOWPAP member states to prevent and control MIS was also increased.

## **5.0 Future Directions**

This outcome of regional workshop was meaningful for future relevant intergovernmental activities.

Firstly, this regional workshop was organized under the broader background of NOWPAP, which is a regional intergovernmental cooperation mechanism for marine environmental protection. Therefore, the outcome of this workshop will be put under the attention of the NOWPAP member countries as one of the references for their policy-making and decision-making.

Secondly, MIS issue is also one of the important issues on the agenda of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), and the outcome of the workshop, together with other relevant work of NOWPAP, will be disseminated at relevant IMO forums on ballast water management by NOWPAP as a whole. The outcome of the workshop, together with other relevant work of NOWPAP, will be both assisting and informing IMO's relevant work on formulating global guidelines on the management of ballast water.

Thirdly, the outcome of the workshop will also provide support to the implementation of Article 8(h) of the Convention on Biological Diversity through contribution to the knowledge and awareness of invasive species.

This workshop is not meant to be a one-off activity. It is not only a continuation of the past DINRAC work on MIS issue, but built upon the past work and facilitate future work of DINRAC and the whole NOWPAP on MIS issue. Under the background of lacking expert and scientific knowledge on MIS issues in the NOWPAP region, the information, knowledge, and ideas collected through this workshop will be utilized during DINRAC's future work and also guide future activities of DINRAC; the participating experts and officials will expand DINRAC's expert network on MIS issue and be the

potential expert resource for NOWPAP DINRAC's future work, such as MIS database, toolbox on the prevention and control of MIS, etc

For future study, there are 5 parts needed to be considered: (1) improve the framework of laws and regulations on marine invasive species; (2) strengthen the supervision capacity of marine invasive species; (3) more systemic scientific study on marine invasive species; (4) improve the awareness of public; (5) more international communication and cooperation

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Agenda for the Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region

<b>22 October, 2012</b>	
Arrival of Participants	
18:00–20:00	<b>Buffet Dinner</b>
<b>Day 1: 23 October 2012</b>	
<b>Opening Session</b>	
Moderator: Mr. Hongbo SHANG, <i>Director of NOWPAP DINRAC</i>	
8:30–9:00	<b>Registration</b>
9:00–9:10	<b>Introduction to the workshop</b> -Mr. Hongbo SHANG
9:10–9:30	<b>Opening Remarks</b>  -Mr. Yi LI, <i>Deputy Director of the Marine Division of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China</i>  -Mr. Jie WANG, <i>Director of the Bio-safety Management Division of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China</i>  -Mr. Xiaofeng PENG, <i>Senior Engineer, Shandong Maritime Safety Administration</i>  -Dr. Sangjin LEE, <i>NOWPAP Scientific Affairs Officer</i>
9:30–9:40	<b>Group Photo</b>
<b>Session 1: Current situation of MIS problems in NOWPAP member states</b>	
Moderator: Dr. Kun LEI, <i>Director of River and Coastal Environmental Research Center, Institute of Water Environment, Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences</i>	
9:40–10:15	<b>Introduced marine and brackish organisms in Japanese coastal waters, and the processes for their introduction</b>  - Mr. Michio Otani, <i>Osaka Museum of Natural History (30 min)</i>  <b>Discussion (5 min)</b>

10:15–10:50	<p><b>Current situation of the MIS in Korea</b></p> <p>- Dr. SOOK SHIN, Sahmyook University (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
10:50–11:05	Tea Break
11:05–11:40	<p><b>Marine invasive species in the Russian Far East: an overview</b></p> <p>- Dr. Konstantin Lutaenko, A.V. Zhirmunsky Institute of Marine Biology, FEB Russian Academy of Sciences (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
11:40–12:15	<p><b>Invasive species in China seas and its impacts</b></p> <p>-Prof. Lijun Wang, National Marine Environmental Monitoring Center (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
12:15–12:30	<b>Summary of Session 1</b>
12:30–14:00	<b>Buffet Lunch</b>
<p><b>Session 2: Impacts of the MIS on Ecosystems and Environment in NOWPAP Member Countries</b></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Konstantin Lutaenko, <i>Senior Research Scientist and Head of the International Cooperation Department of the Institute of Marine Biology, Far East Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, President of Russian Far East Malacological Society</i></p>	
14:00–14:35	<p><b>Impacts, Risk Analysis, and Management of Marine Invasive Species in Korea</b></p> <p>-Dr. Keun-Hyung Choi, Korea Institute of Ocean Science and Technology (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
14:35–15:10	<p><b>Pros and Cons of Invasive Cordgrass <i>Spartina</i> spp. Introduced into China from UK and USA over 30 Years Ago</b></p> <p>-Dr. Changyong WANG, Nanjing Institute of Environmental Sciences, MEP (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>



15:10–15:45	<p><b>The influences of invasive alien species <i>Spartina alterniflora</i> on ecosystem of Chinese coastal wetland</b></p> <p>-Dr. Caiyun ZHAO, Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
15:45–16:10	<b>Tea Break</b>
16:10–16:45	<p><b>China’s Response to Marine Invasive Species from the Legal Perspective and Challenges Review</b></p> <p>-Dr. Jiayu BAI, Law&amp;Politics School, Ocean University of China (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
16:45–17:20	<p><b>Basic Surveys for International Convention for the control and management of ship’s Ballast Water and Sediments</b></p> <p>- Mr. Takafumi YOSHIDA, NOWPAP CEARAC (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
17:20–17:40	<b>Summary of Session 2</b>
18:00–20:00	<b>Dinner</b>
<b>Day 2: October 24, 2012</b>	
<p><b>Session 3: Current policies and measures on preventing and controlling MIS problems in the NOWPAP member states and future needs for policies, measures and regional cooperation</b></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Sangjin LEE, <i>NOWPAP Scientific Affairs Officer</i></p>	
9:00–9:35	<p><b>Ballast Water Management - An Approach to Combat Marine Invasive Species</b></p> <p>- Dr. Nahui ZHANG, Environmental Engineering Institute, Dalian Maritime University (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b> (5 min)</p>
9:35–10:10	<p><b>Aquaculture and MIS in China: Status, management and policy</b></p> <p>-Dr. Yamin WANG, College of Ocean, Shandong University at Weihai (30 min)</p>

	<b>Discussion (5 min)</b>
10:10–10:30	<b>Tea Break</b>
10:30–11:05	<p><b>Current policies, measures and the challenges in Korea</b></p> <p>- Dr. Jae-Young Lee, Marine Ecology Division, Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion (5 min)</b></p>
11:05–11:40	<p><b>Current policies and measures on preventing and controlling MIS problems in Russia</b></p> <p>- Dr. Olga SEMENIKHINA, Far-Eastern Marine Research, Design and Technology institute (30 min)</p> <p><b>Discussion (5 min)</b></p>
11:40–12:00	<b>Summary of Session 3</b>
12:00–12:30	<b>Conclusion of the Workshop</b>
12:30–14:00	<b>Buffet Lunch</b>

## Welcome Remarks and Introduction of the Workshop by DINRAC Director

Distinguished experts, dear friends from Japan, Korea, Russia and China, It is the honor of the Data and Information Network Regional Activity Center of Northwest Pacific Action Plan, hereafter I call it DINRAC, to have you all here today at this important workshop. On behalf of DINRAC, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to you all for your participation to this workshop.

The problem of marine invasive species is one of the major threats to marine bio-diversity. Meanwhile, the costs of cleaning and controlling invasive species are huge. For many years, the international society has been making efforts to control this problem. The Convention on Biological Diversity states that each Contracting Party shall, as far as possible and as appropriate, prevent the introduction of, control or eradicate those alien species which threaten ecosystems, habitats or species. The Agenda 21 called on the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and other international bodies to take action to address the transfer of harmful organisms by ships. The WSSD in 2002, in its Johannesburg Plan of Implementation, urges all countries to strengthen national, regional and international efforts to control invasive alien species, encourage the development of effective work programme on invasive alien species at all levels, and urges nations to accelerate the development of measures to address invasive alien species in ballast water.

In the outcome document of “Rio+20”, “the future we want”, it is stated that “We note the significant threat alien invasive species pose to marine ecosystems and resources and commit to implement measures to prevent the introduction of, and manage the adverse environmental impacts of alien invasive species, including, as appropriate, those adopted in the framework of the IMO”.

With the support of NOWPAP member states, DINRAC initiated a joint research on marine invasive species and its potential damage in Northwest Pacific region in 2009. You may find this report at the corner of this meeting room and also on our website. One of the conclusions of this joint research claimed that, the problems related to the marine invasive species in the NOWPAP region are among the most important issues with regard to biodiversity changes and management. However, there is insufficient information about this problem at both national and international levels, and there is a strong need to strengthen the data exchange and communication among relevant countries to share available information and to discuss future activities in this field.

As a following effort on the problem of marine invasive species, DINRAC successfully secured financial support from the Asian-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN) under its CAPaBLE Programme to convene this workshop. The CAPaBLE Programme aims at providing researchers (young and aspiring scientists in particular) and decision-makers with opportunities for capacity development in the area of global change. As an APN-funded activity and a DINRAC event, this workshop aims to promote the exchange of information and experiences on the prevention and control of marine invasive species, analysis of the needs for policies and measures, and recommendations for NOWPAP memberstates, thus to promote the understanding of MIS problems by experts and policy-makers, and to facilitate and science-policy linkages.

As you may see from the Agenda, this workshop has 3 major topics and will last for one and a half days. Experts will make presentations under different sessions, and time for discussion was allocated for each presentation. We wish this arrangement would, to a certain extent, satisfy your needs.

During the preparation of this workshop, the Regional Coordination Unit of NOWPAP, A.V. Zhirmunsky Institute of Marine Biology of the Far-East Branch of Russian Academy of Science, Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology, East Sea Fisheries Research Institute of Korea National Fisheries Research & Development Institute had provided professional support, the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China, Japan Oceanographic Data Center, Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Science, the Marine Ecology Research Center of the First Institute of Oceanography of State Oceanic Administration and other research institutes had also provided great help. I would like to say that, without you, it will be much more difficult for us to organize such an event. Thank you all very much for the help. Finally, I wish you all a very nice stay in Qingdao during the workshop.

Thank you!

Opening Remarks by Mr. Yi LI, Deputy Director of the Marine Division of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of China

Distinguished experts and colleagues,

Today, this Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region is being held here in Qingdao. As one of those that have been working many years on marine environmental protection, I am very glad to see that the experts from Northwest Pacific countries are gathering here to have this workshop and discuss the problem of invasion of alien marine species. Hereby, please allow me to express congratulation to the successful holding of the workshop, and welcome the experts from Japan, Korea and Russia. Meanwhile, I would like to express my appreciation to the participation of the officials and experts from Shandong Maritime Safety Administration, Liaoning Maritime Safety Administration, National Marine Environmental Monitoring Center, and Dalian Maritime University, etc.

As we all know, with the development of international trade and exchange of people, the scale and speed of the movement of species across regions and borders are increasing, and the possibility of harmful invasion of alien species are also getting higher and higher. The invasion of alien species could damage the stability and balance of marine ecosystem, incur huge economic losses, and pose a potential threat to the stable social and economic development in coastal areas. However, our knowledge about the invasion of alien marine species is very inadequate, reliable research and statistics of the type, distribution and impacts of marine invasive species are lacking, and measures to prevent the invasion of alien marine species are also very insufficient. These are among the problems that are in urgent need of research. I noticed that thematic presentations and discussions on these issues have been arranged during this workshop. I believe that, through our exchange and discussion, we will further improve our understanding about these issues and related policies and measures, which I think will contribute to the prevention and control of marine invasive species in the Northwest Pacific area.

As I know, the Regional Coordination Unit and the Data and Information Network Regional Activity Center have made a lot of efforts for this workshop. I thank you for your work. Asian-Pacific Network for Global Change Research has provided generous financial support to this workshop; I also thank them for their precious support.

Finally, I wish this workshop will have the expected results and realize its objectives.

Thank you for your attention.

## Announcement of the Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region

### **1 Background**

The problem of marine invasive species (MIS) is one of the major threats to marine biological diversity, which plays a critical role in overall sustainable development and poverty eradication, and is essential to our planet, human well-being and to the livelihood and cultural integrity of people. Marine invasive species have serious negative impacts on marine biodiversity, including damage to ecosystems, change of ecosystem functions, and cause of genetic changes in coastal organisms. It also has impacts on economy. Article 8 (h) of the Convention on Biological Diversity states that each Contracting Party shall, as far as possible and as appropriate, prevent the introduction of, control or eradicate those alien species which threaten ecosystems, habitats or species. The Agenda 21 called on the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and other international bodies to take action to address the transfer of harmful organisms by ships. The Johannesburg Plan of Implementation adopted at the WSSD in Johannesburg in 2002 urged all countries to strengthen national, regional and international efforts to control invasive alien species, and encourage the development of effective work programme on invasive alien species at all levels.

With the support and cooperation from all members of the Northwest Pacific Action Plan (NOWPAP), the Data and Information Network Regional Activity Center (DINRAC) of NOWPAP carried out a joint research on MIS and its potential damage in Northwest Pacific region in 2009, which produced national reports by China, Japan, Republic of Korea and Russia, and a regional overview. This work provided basic scientific information on MIS for the policy-makers, academics, general public and other stakeholders, and will be a major contribution toward addressing MIS in the NOWPAP region. Among others, the regional overview found out that the problems related to the MIS in the NOWPAP region are among the most important issues with regard to biodiversity changes and management. However, there is insufficient information about MIS at both national and international levels. There is a strong need to strengthen the data exchange and communication among relevant countries to share available information and to discuss future activities in this field.

With financial support from the Asian-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN), DINRAC is now planning to hold a Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region to promote communication and exchange among the officials and experts of NOWPAP member states.

### **2 Objective**

This regional workshop aims to promote exchange of information on MIS problems among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, exchange of experiences on the prevention and control of MIS among officials and experts from NOWPAP member states, analysis of the needs for policies and measures on MIS and recommendations for NOWPAP member states.

### **3 Venue and Date**

The workshop will be held at the Sophia (Qingdao) International Hotel in Qingdao, the People's Republic of China, during October 23-24, 2012.

#### **4 Expected Participants**

Participants to this workshop will mainly involve invited officials and experts from China, Japan, Korean and Russia, and other interested officials/experts from relevant governmental organizations and relevant research institutions in China. The total number of participants of the regional workshop is suggested to be around 30-50 persons.

#### **5 Language**

The workshop will be conducted in English.

#### **6 Registration, Travel and Funding**

For all participants, please fill in the Registration Form attached to this announcement and return it to us before September 20, 2012.

For the specially invited participants, the workshop organizer will cover their travel costs, including flight, accommodation, food, and a nominal amount of allowance. For those participants funded by DINRAC, we very much appreciate your efforts to find the most economic and direct route and to arrange your transportation by yourself.

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The meeting home page (<http://dinrac.nowpap.org/MISworkshop/>) will be open at DINRAC website soon with further details of the meeting including meeting documents. You can also contact DINRAC through the following way:

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Presentation materials (see attachment)

Report of the “Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region”  
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# Introduced marine and brackish organisms in Japanese coastal waters, and the processes underlying their introduction.

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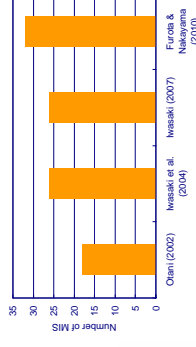
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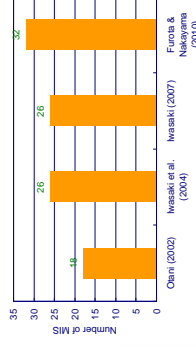


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## Current record of MIS unintentionally introduced to Japan

Phylobranchia	1 <i>Neohemionia girellae</i>	21 <i>Amphibalanus vernalis</i>
	2 <i>Heterobranchia birame</i>	22 <i>Amphibalanus zhuyangensis</i>
	3 <i>Firopomatus entomatus</i>	23 <i>Balanus glandula</i>
Amelida	4 <i>Hydrobia elegans</i>	24 <i>Megabalanus coccopoma</i>
	5 <i>Hydrobia diambus</i>	25 <i>Paracercaris scalpa</i>
Mollusca	6 <i>Crepidula onyx</i>	26 <i>Carcinus aestuarii</i>
	7 <i>Ensis formosus</i>	27 <i>Pyromata tuberculata</i>
	8 <i>Saxidomus</i> sp.	28 <i>Rissoirapana pons kuroishi</i>
	9 <i>Nassarius striatus</i>	29 <i>Callinectes sapidus</i>
	10 <i>Tridacna perca</i>	30 <i>Rigida stolonifera</i>
	11 <i>Mytilus galloprovincialis</i>	31 <i>Acicella aspera</i>
	12 <i>Perca viridis</i>	32 <i>Polysandrocarpa zornitensis</i>
	13 <i>Xenostrobus securis</i>	33 <i>Molgula manihatisis</i>
	14 <i>Mytilopsis sallei</i>	34 <i>Heterosopna circulanisquama</i>
	15 <i>Pericola</i> cf. <i>littoripaga</i>	35 <i>Ulva fasciata</i>
	16 <i>Marcenaria merenaria</i>	36 <i>Ulva arariciana</i>
	17 <i>Phaeospora gibba</i>	37 <i>Ulva scandinavica</i>
Archipoda	18 <i>Amphibalanus amphitrite</i>	38 <i>Ulva californica</i>
	19 <i>Amphibalanus improvisus</i>	39 <i>Spartina alterniflora</i>
	20 <i>Amphibalanus eburneus</i>	

(Species in red letters may have not been established)



• Current record of MIS unintentionally introduced to Japan

Annelida: 3 species  
 Magnoliophyta: 1 species  
 Mollusca: 11 species & 1 lacks photo  
 Arthropoda: 11 species & 1 lacks photo  
 Chlorophyta: 3 species  
 Biyoza: 1 species  
 Urochorda: 3 species  
 Cryptophyta: 3 species

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• Temporal changes of the number of MIS in Japanese waters

Before considering the reason, .....

Cumulative number of MIS that were newly recorded in Japanese waters every decade

Before 1930s 1930s 1940s 1950s 1960s 1970s 1980s 1990s After 2000s

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• What is the vector most responsible for the introduction of Japanese MIS?

Ship accounts for about three-quarters

Hull fouling: 60.9%  
 Ballast water: 15.2%  
 Fisheries: 13.0%  
 Other: 8.7%  
 Unknown: 2.2%

Relative importance of various vectors responsible for the introduction of MIS in Japanese waters

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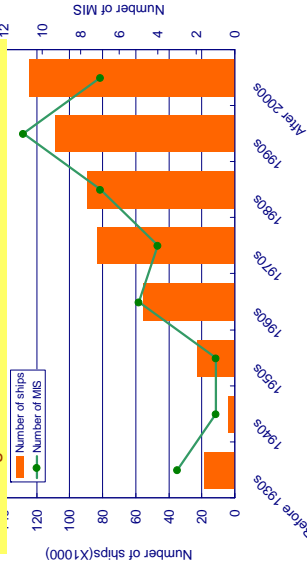
• Temporal change of the number of ocean-going ships called at Japanese ports

(Number of ships is the mean every ten years )  
 (Modified from the data of Annual port statistics, Ministry of Land Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism)

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- Is the change of the number of MIS connected with that of ocean-going ships call at ports?

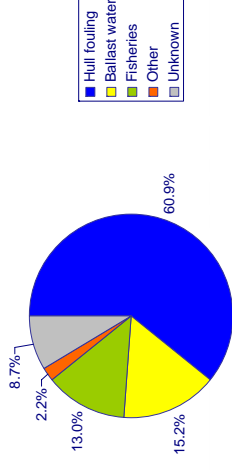
The change of both items seem to be related each other



This is supported by Spearman's rank correlation:  $\rho=0.87$  ( $p<0.05$ )

- Let's back to this graph again

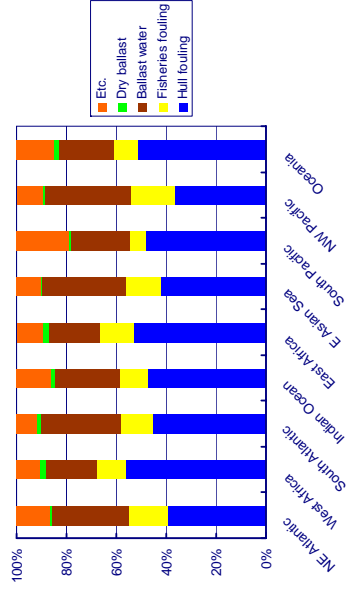
Among vectors related to a ship, which is more responsible for the introduction?



As a vector of MIS, we know the hull fouling is more responsible for the introduction than the ballast water in Japanese case.

- This tendency is not unique to Japan

Now the hull fouling is getting widespread international attention

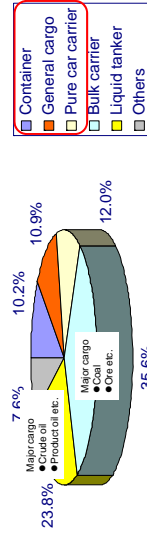


(modified from Hewitt and Campbell 2010)

- Why the hull fouling is more responsible for the introduction than the ballast water?

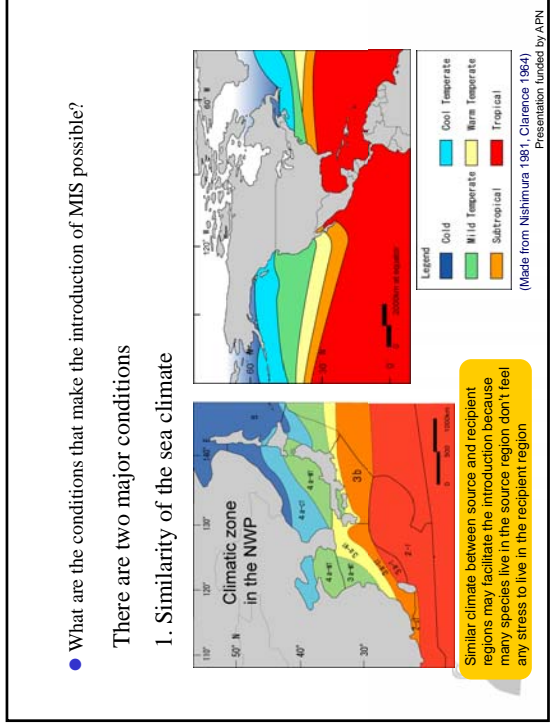
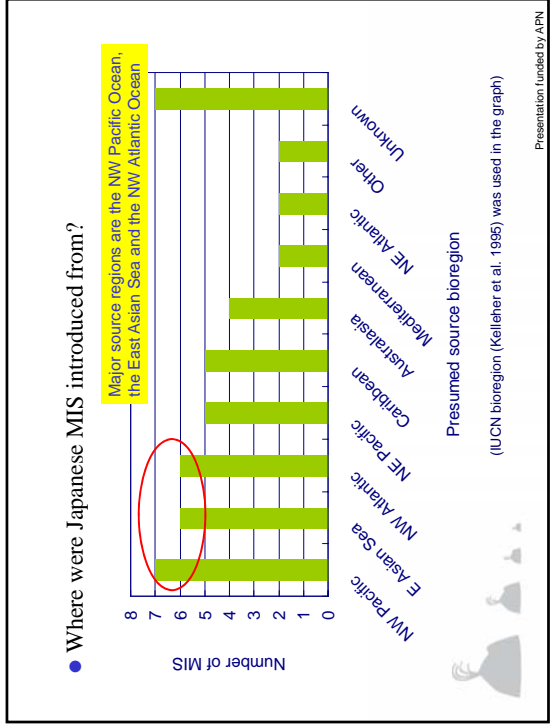
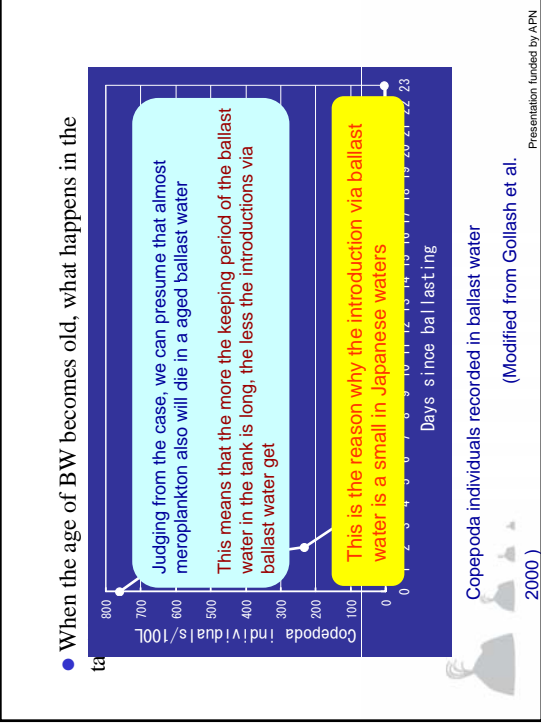
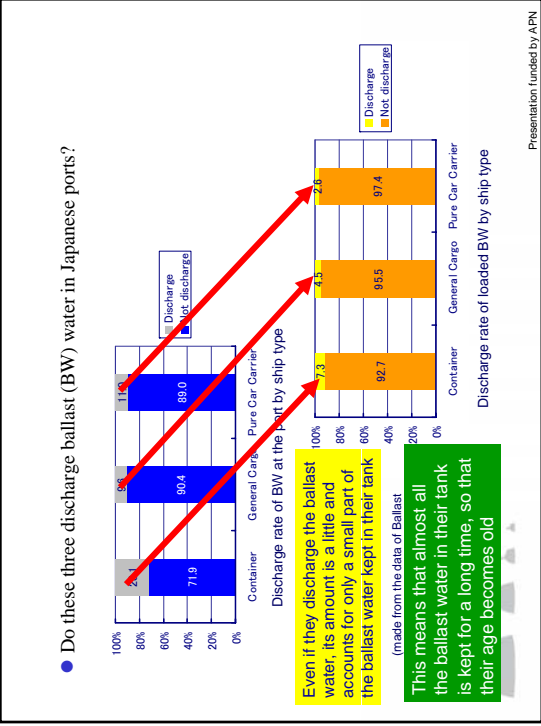
The answer is in ships' types and in their way of the ballast water operation

Do they discharge ballast water in Japanese ports?



These two types don't discharge ballast water in Japanese port because they don't carry much ballast water but are full load

(made from the data of the statistics manual of the seaborne shipping, the Japanese Shipowners' Association, 2011)



- What are the conditions that make the introduction of a MIS possible?

2. Amount of the shipping traffic (substituted by the amount of trade)

Are these amount of trade related to the number of MIS?

Region	Amount of trade (trillion yen)
NW Pacific	~10
East Asian Sea	~25
N America	~10
Australasia	~5
Caribbean	~5
Mediterranean	~5

(Mean value calculated from the transport data between 2006 and 2010 of Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications)

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- What are the conditions that make the introduction of a MIS possible?

2. Amount of the shipping traffic (substituted by the amount of trade)

It seems that these two items are related each other

In addition to these two, geographic proximity is also responsible for the introduction of MIS because of the shrinking of time to expose ships' hulls to high saline water

The case of the East Asian Sea shows the geographic proximity is also important as another condition. Especially, this may be important between China, Korea, Russia and Japan because they are neighboring countries each other

Among these countries, we should be careful that the introduction will also include secondary introduction (This means that we act a role of stepping stone each other)

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- Measures that we should take to prevent or to reduce the introduction of MIS

1. For the ballast water (BW)

Ballast water is about to be controlled by the Ballast Water Convention adopted at IMO in 2004, though it has not been come into effect

Considering the responsibility that Japan has discharged a large amount of ballast water all over the world, Japan should ratify the convention to ensure its effectiveness as soon as possible

The Japanese ratification of the convention may urge Panama and Liberia to ratify it

The amount of exported BW from Japan

Because they are major shipping nations in the world, their ratification is important for the convention to come into effect

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- Measures that we should take to prevent or to reduce the introduction of MIS

2. For the hull fouling

Propeller post

Propeller

After part of the hull

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- Measures that we should take to prevent or to reduce the introduction of MIS

What is the in-water cleaning?

The cost for the in-water cleaning is about 38,000 US\$



How to use the cleaner in the water

This equipment is not always useful anywhere on the ship

This is useful only at the flat area

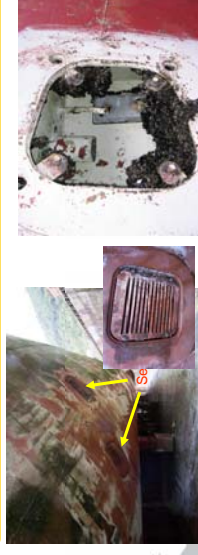
But unfortunately, there are many non flat areas in the ship

- Measures that we should take to prevent or to reduce the introduction of MIS

Typical area where this equipment is not work well is the niche area such as bow thruster, rope guard and so on

Among them, the most well known area is the sea chest

The sea chest is installed on ships to allow the ship to take in water for cooling purposes and ballast water



Sea chest

- Measures that we should take to prevent or to reduce the introduction of MIS

How has IMO worked on the hull fouling issue

- After the adoption of the Ballast Water Convention, under the tide of opinion, the argument for the prevention or the reduction of biofouling on the hull began at MEPC (Marine Environment Protection Committee) which is one of the committee of IMO in 2006
- Three years later (in 2009), to develop the guidelines for the control and management of ships' biofouling, based on the work in the correspondence group, the discussion of the issue began officially at BLG (sub-committee on Bulk Liquids and Gases) 13
- After several discussions, the guidelines were adopted at MEPC62 in 2011

The name is "Guidelines for the control and management of ships' biofouling to minimize the transfer of invasive aquatic species"

- Measures that we should take to prevent or to reduce the introduction of MIS

This is the guidelines

## 2. The case of the Hull fouling

In the guidelines, practical guidance were provided. They are:

- 1) Biofouling management plan and record book
- 2) Antifouling system
- 3) In-water inspection
- 4) Design and construction
- 5) Dissemination of information
- 6) Training and education

But we have no procedure for evaluating the enforcement of the guidelines

### Prospects for the future

Draft procedure for evaluation of the guidelines submitted by Australia, the Netherlands and New Zealand at BLG16/5/1 will be argued at BLG17 in 2013



- Conclusions


- There are 39 unintentionally introduced MIS in Japanese waters
- The number of MIS in Japan tends to be increased still now
- Many MIS were introduced to Japan by hull fouling from nearby countries which have a similar climate and a frequent shipping traffic with Japan
- To reduce the introduction via hull fouling, voluntary guidelines were adopted at MEPC in 2011
- To make the guidelines effective, draft procedure for evaluation of the guidelines is supposed to be argued at BLG17 in 2013  
(I hope BLG17 will hold active discussions to apply the guidelines reconciling various conflicting interests)



Thank you very much for listening my presentation

# Current situation of the MIS in Korea

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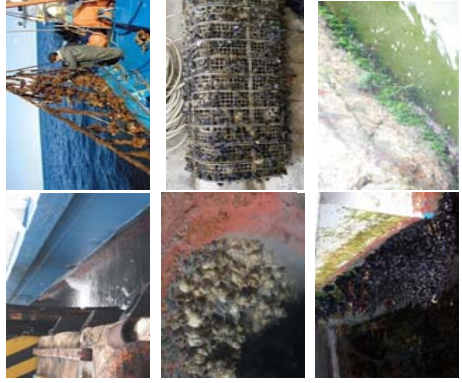
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## Cause of MIS inflow

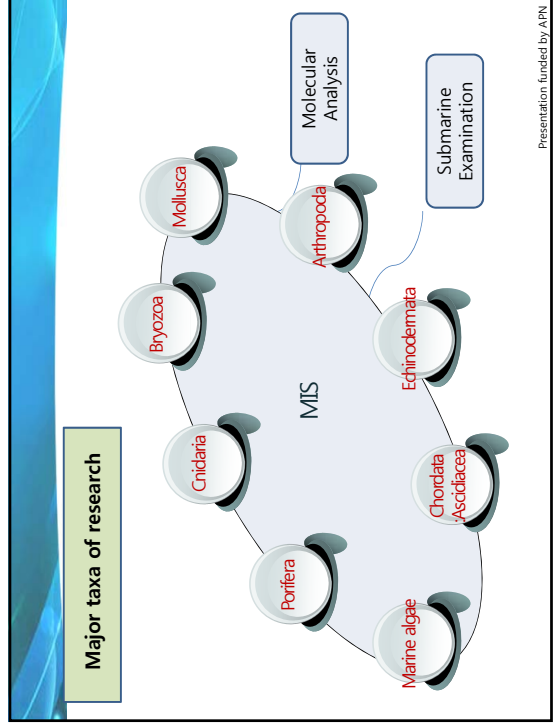
1. Import of live marine organisms
2. High dependence on ocean trade (70%)

## Major cause

- Non-intentional inflow by ships
  - : fouling (36%), ballast water (20%), fouling + ballast water (44%)



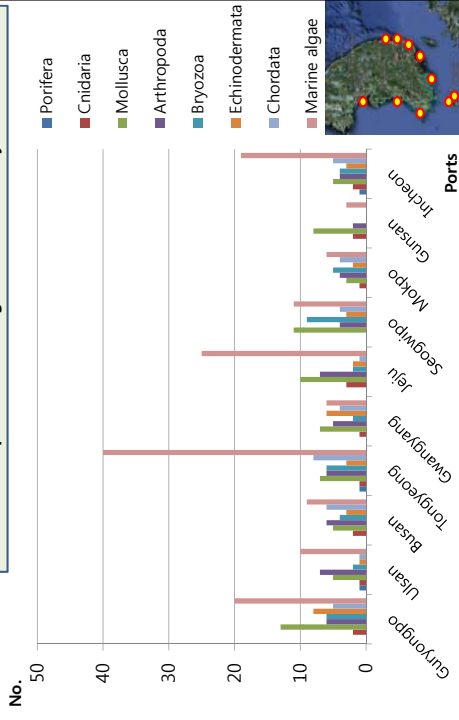
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No. of species according to taxa in 10 major harbors



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Compared to other kinds, marine algae was the most abundant.

27 MIS in Korea

Taxa	Species	Photos	Situation	Status
Porifera (1)	<i>Halichondria bowerbanki</i>		Europe. No records about invasion damage in Korea.	
	<i>Tubularia mesembryanthemum</i>		Mediterranean Sea, West Europe. Adaptation of vessels at about 30m depth of water.	
Cnidaria: Hydroids (3)	<i>Obelia dichotoma</i>		North Atlantic (UK). Broadly distributed and invaded in the world.	
	<i>Boergaviella ramosa</i>		Europe, North-west Atlantic. Broadly invaded in subtropical zone. And also found in Korea and Japan.	


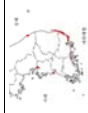

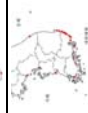




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Mollusca (3)	<i>Mytilus galloprovincialis</i> «Most outstanding MIS»		Mediterranean Sea, Black Sea, Adriatic Sea. Spread of native species in competition. Dominant species in many regions as result of rapid growth.	
	<i>Xenostrobus securis</i>		Australia. Color is dark brown and glossy. Similar shape with freshwater mussels <i>Liriospheeris forsteri</i> .	
	<i>Crepidula onyx</i>		Southern California, Chile. Attachment to shells of marine farming products like an abalone.	
	<i>Balanus amphitrite</i> «Most outstanding MIS»		Attached to bottom of ships and dock or pier. Also attached to ship. Caused decrease in speed of ship.	




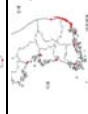

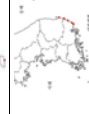


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Arthropoda: Crinipedia (4)	<i>Balanus eburneus</i>		North Atlantic, Caribbean Sea - Northern South America. Competition with native species for habitat.	
	<i>Balanus perforatus</i> «Most outstanding MIS»		West Europe, Northwest Africa, Black Sea. Competition with <i>Thais biconna</i> or oyster for habitat.	
	<i>Balanus improbus</i>		Eastern North America. Attached to rocks, woods, bottom of ships, and shells of mussel, etc.	
	<i>Bagula californica</i>		California. Attached to bottom of ships and fish farming structures.	


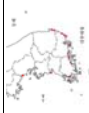

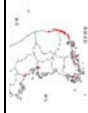

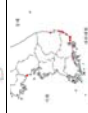
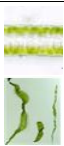

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Bryozoa (5)	<i>Bugula neritina</i>		Mediterranean Sea. Commonly found in bottom of ships. Decrease in speed and increase in consumption of excessive fuels due to resistance of vessels.	
	<i>Triclaria occidentalis</i>		California. Adheres to several fishing gears especially buoys of fishing farm, bottom of vessels, fishing net, and anchor.	
	<i>Schizoporella unicornis</i>		Atlantic (UK). Sticking to entire type of inanimate object like buoys of fishing farm, basket, ground of vessel, anchor, octopus fishing jar, and tire for collision avoidance in dock.	
	<i>Colloporonia burmea</i>		Queen Charlotte Is. Invade into North-eastern Pacific through ballast water.	


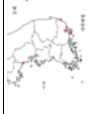

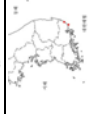
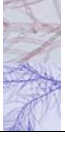

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Chordata: Ascidiacea (5)	<i>Styela plicata</i> -Not outstanding MIS-		East America, Gulf of Mexico, West Indies. Pollution indicator species. Sticking to oyster farming facilities, fanning raft, fishing net, bottom of ships, and dock of harbors.	
	<i>Copea inaequalis</i> -Not outstanding MIS-		Atlantic Ocean. Inhabit in bottom of vessels and oyster farming facilities, etc. In case of farm, attached to take a possession of living organisms or interrupting their development.	
	<i>Clavelina lepadiformis</i>		Atlantic ocean, North Sea, Mediterranean Sea. Invaded by fouling. Damage due to invasion appeared to be minimal.	
	<i>Mogula manihottensis</i>		Atlantic ocean. Introduced by ballast water. Generally covered by mud like a dust.	

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Taxa	Species	Photos	Situation	Status
Chordata: Ascidiacea (5)	<i>Ascidella aspersa</i>		Atlantic (UK). Irregular bumps on body surface.	
	<i>Ulva armoricana</i> -Not outstanding MIS-		Atlantic (France). Firstly reported in 1980s, then these occurred in France Brittany coast of Atlantic. Increasing possibility of damage.	
Marine algae (6)	<i>Ulva fasciata</i> -Not outstanding MIS-		Mediterranean Sea. Attached to cement wall, and rope, etc. If breeding increase a lot, there will be possibility to have an algae outbreak.	
	<i>Ulva flexuosa</i>		Mediterranean Sea, Adriatic Sea. Attached to backdock, rope, and hull, etc. Possibility to have an algae outbreak.	

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Taxa	Species	Photos	Situation	Status
Marine algae (6)	<i>Ulva procera</i>		Coast of Sweden. Very dangerous invasive species in the coast of Northeast Asia.	
	<i>Anthamnonium lyfii</i>		California. Introduced through fouling of ships. Reported for the first time in Northeast Asia.	
	<i>Aethalionopsis terricola</i>		Chile, Cape Horn. Similar to native species, <i>A. spirographoides</i> , but different shape in whole branch of twig.	
<b>27 MIS (7 most outstanding MIS)</b>				

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## MIS in Korea : 18 species (April, 2010)

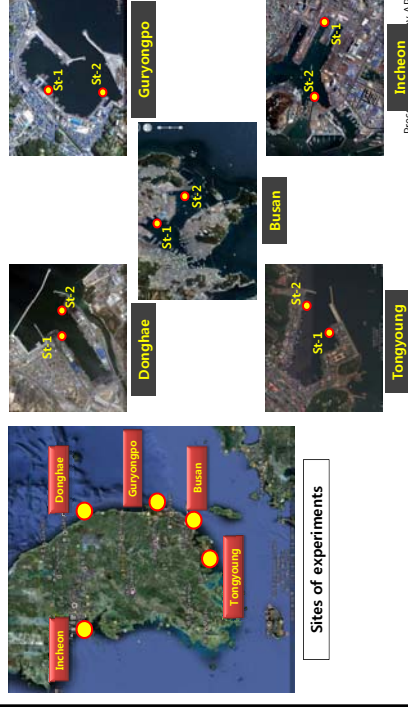
- Porifera  
*Halichondria boverbanki*
- Mollusca  
*Mitilus galloprovincialis*  
*Crepidula (Crepidula) onyx*
- Arthropoda  
*Balanus amphitrite*  
*Balanus eburneus*  
*Balanus perforatus*  
*Balanus improvisus*
- Bryozoa  
*Bugula californica*  
*Bugula neritina*  
*Tricellaria occidentalis*  
*Schizoporella unicornis*
- Chordata  
*Styela plicata*  
*Ciona intestinalis*  
*Cacellina lepadiformis*
- Marine algae  
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(7 most outstanding MIS)



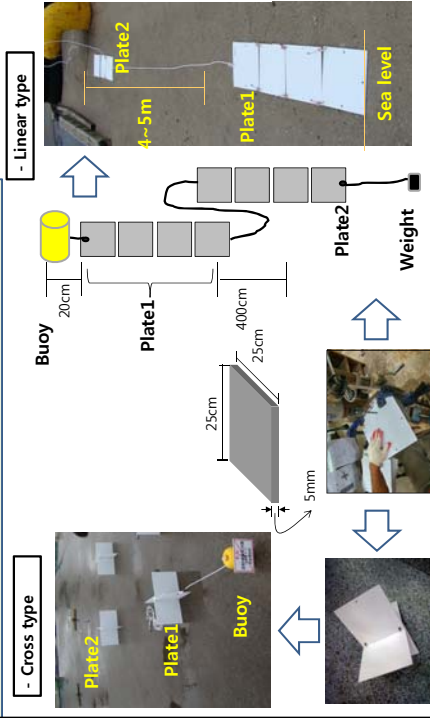
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## 2. Plates affixa experiments



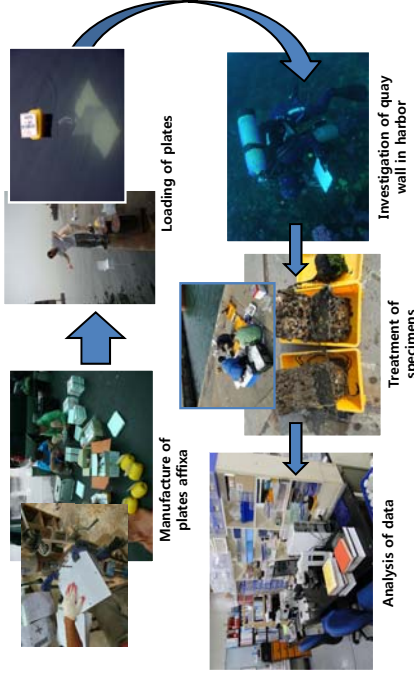
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## Preparation of plates affixa for attachment of organisms

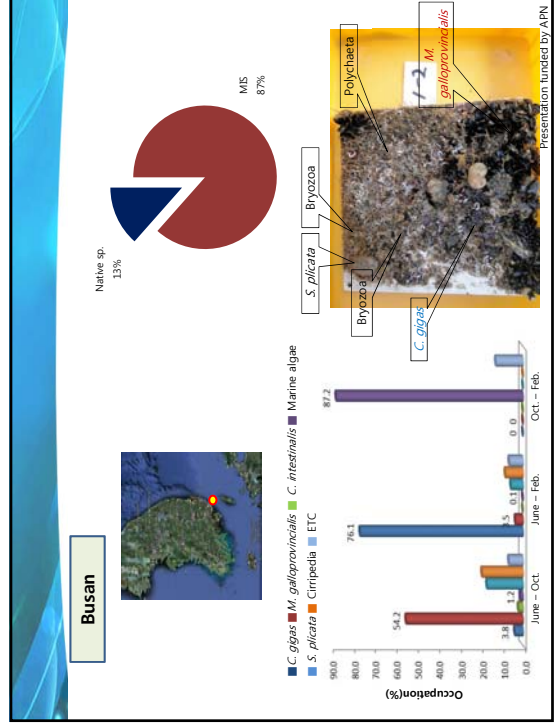
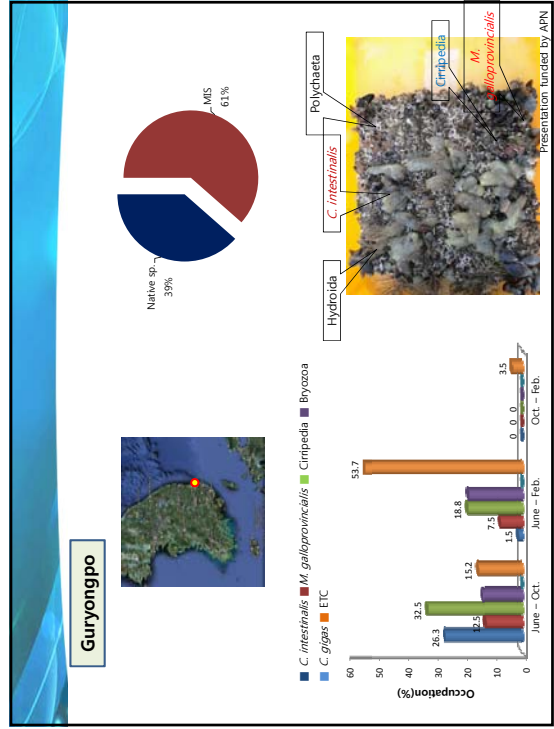
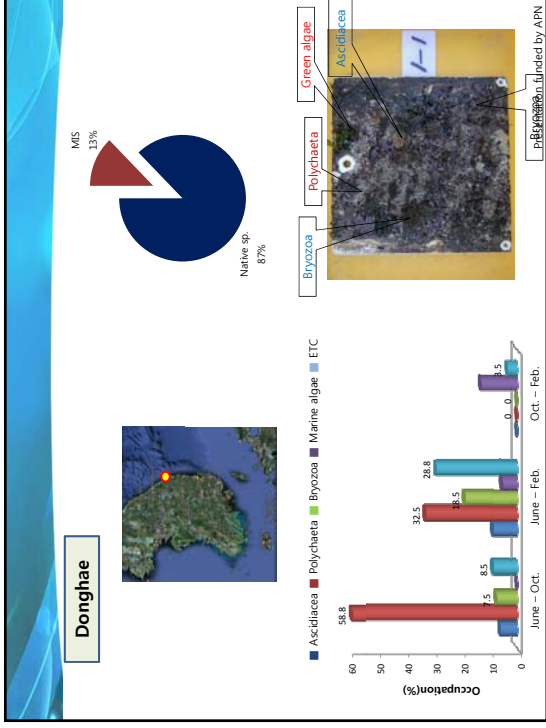
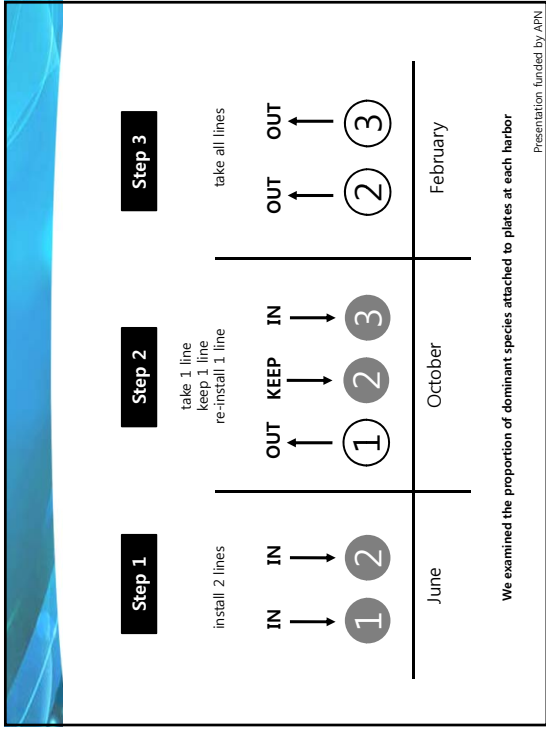


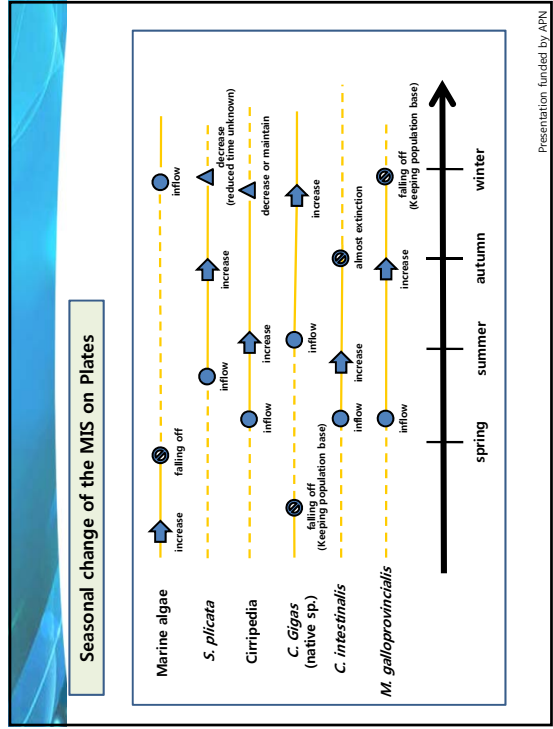
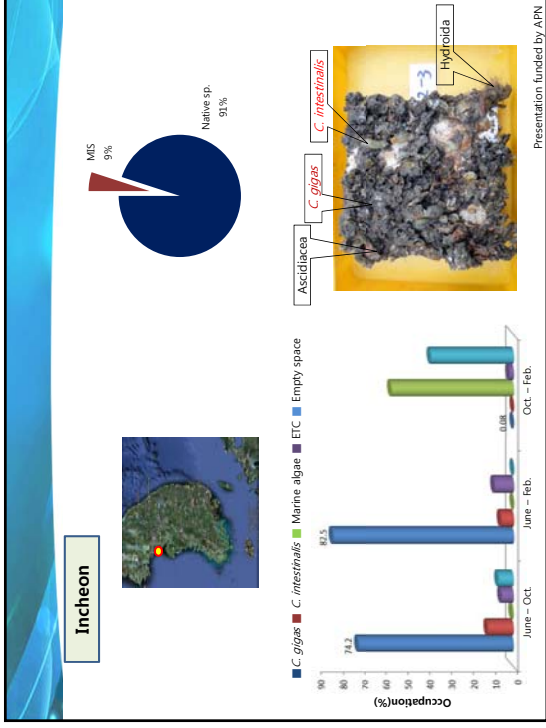
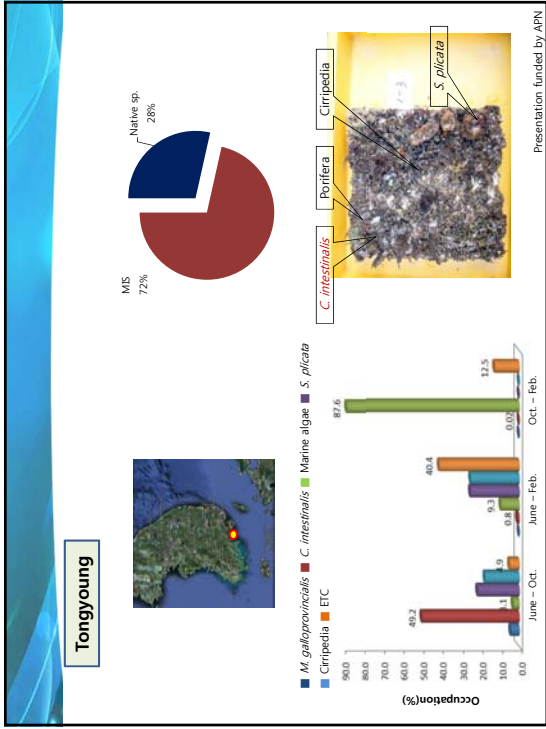
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## Procedures of study



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### 3. Molecular Analysis of MIS









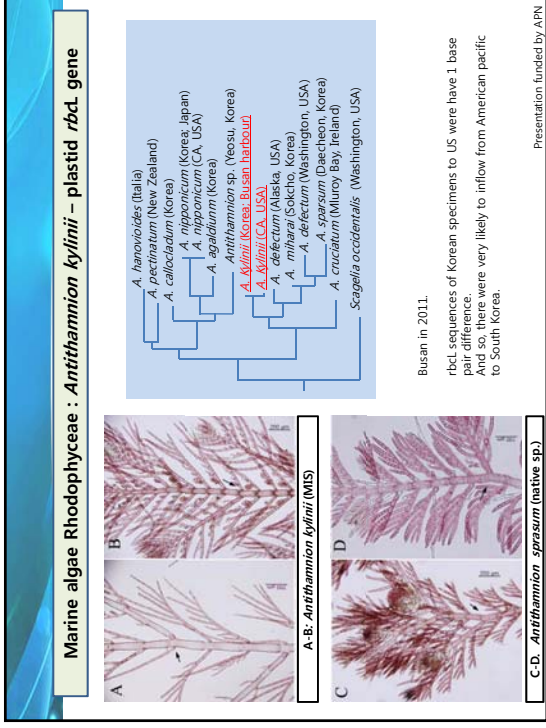
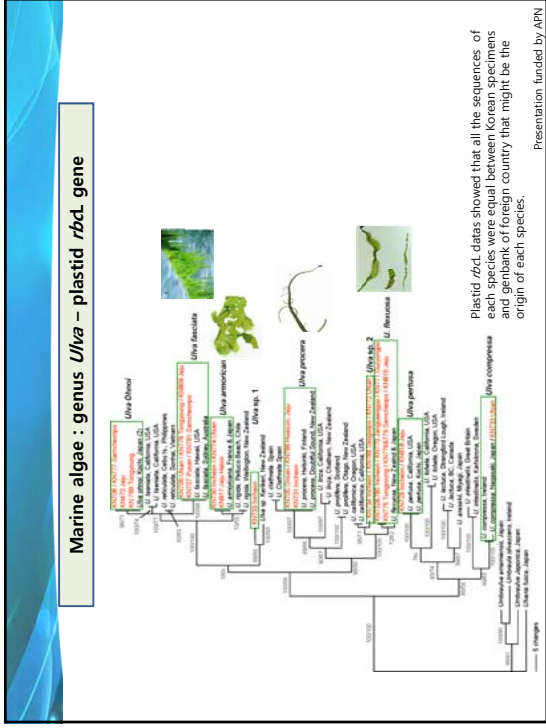


gene	Taxa	Species
mit-COI	Cnidaria, Hydrozoa	<i>T. mesembryanthemum</i> , <i>O. dichotoma</i> , <i>O. dichotoma</i>
	Mollusca	<i>M. galloprovincialis</i> , <i>C. onyx</i>
	Arthropoda, Cirripedia	<i>B. perforatus</i> , <i>B. amphirite</i>
	Bryozoa	<i>B. neritina</i> , <i>B. californica</i> , <i>C. brunnea</i> , <i>S. unicornis</i>
ITS1	Chordata, Ascidiacea	<i>C. intestinalis</i> , <i>S. plicata</i>
		<i>M. galloprovincialis</i> , <i>B. perforatus</i> , <i>B. amphirite</i>
ITS2		<i>B. perforatus</i> , <i>B. amphirite</i> , <i>C. intestinalis</i>
	Chordata, Ascidiacea	<i>C. intestinalis</i> , <i>S. plicata</i> , <i>M. manihattensis</i> , <i>A. aspersa</i>
18S rRNA plastid <i>rbcl</i>	Marine algae	<i>U. amoricana</i> , <i>U. fasciata</i> , <i>U. flexuosa</i> , <i>U. procera</i> , <i>A. kyllini</i>

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### 4. Predator of MIS (Natural enemy)

Unlike land invasive species, it is very difficult to discover and remove MIS due to quick spread by the vessel and an ocean current.

**Mollusca Gastrododa**  
*Thais bronni* (native sp. ; predator)  
 → *Mytilus galloprovincialis* (MIS ; prey)

**Biological control method**

Gastropods usually predate bivalves by making a hole with radula.  
 Holes in a center of shell were rarely seen in *M. galloprovincialis*.

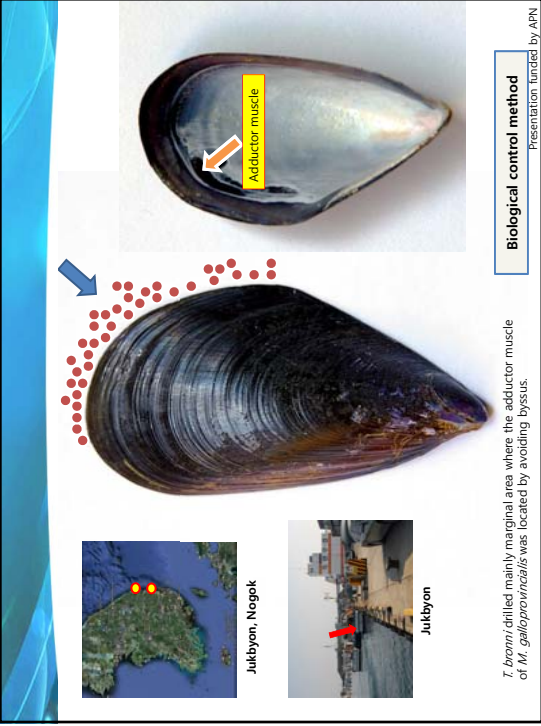
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*M. galloprovincialis* and *T. bronni*

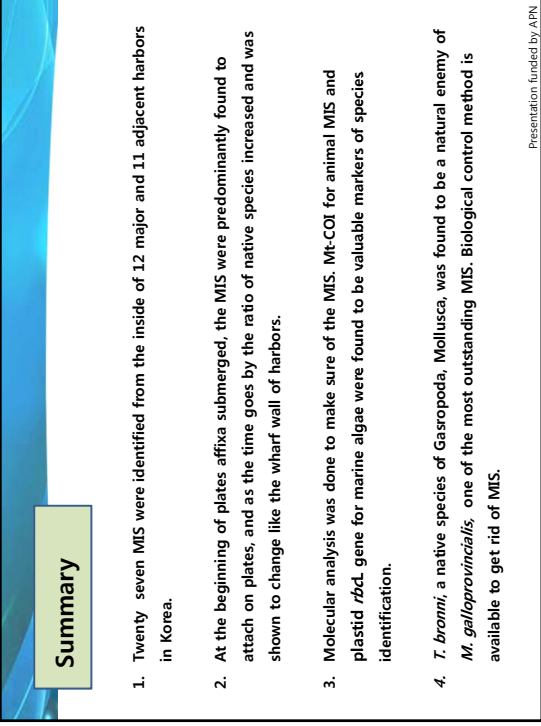
*Thais bronni* usually attached to marginal area rather than shell surface of *M. galloprovincialis*.

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*T. bromii* drilled mainly marginal area where the adductor muscle of *M. galloprovincialis* was located by avoiding byssus.





# Marine invasive species in the Russian Far East: an overview

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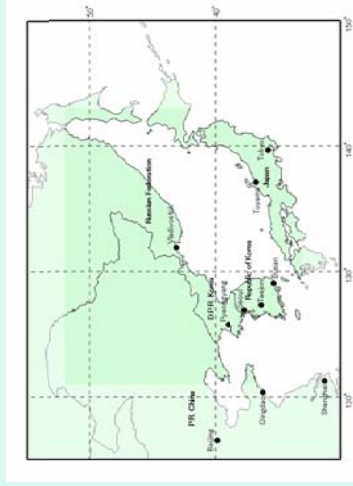
→ Biological invasions in marine environment represent a serious ecological and economic menace leading to biodiversity loss, ecosystem unbalancing, fishery and tourism impairment; they are lesser known aspect of global change.

→ We are witnessing rapidly growing interest in the phenomenon of biological invasions as a result of an increasing number of unintentional invasions of marine organisms due to the release of ballast water through international shipping activities, and of increasing aquaculture purposes and for open sea fisheries enhancement.

→ Bioinvasions create so-called “novel” (or “emerging”) ecosystems containing new combinations of species that arise through human action, environmental change, and the impacts of the deliberate and inadvertent introductions of species from other regions.

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## NOWPAP region and the southern part of the Russian Far East



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The Russian Federation's part of the NOWPAP region is located in the North-West Pacific between the Asia coast, the Japanese Islands and the Sakhalin Island. It is situated between 34°26' and 51°41' N and between 127°20' and 142°15' E

Arrow points Peter the Great Bay

Peter the Great Bay is the most studied area with regard to marine invasive species in the Russian Far East

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**Pathways (vectors and routes) of introduction of MIS in the Russian NOWPAP region**

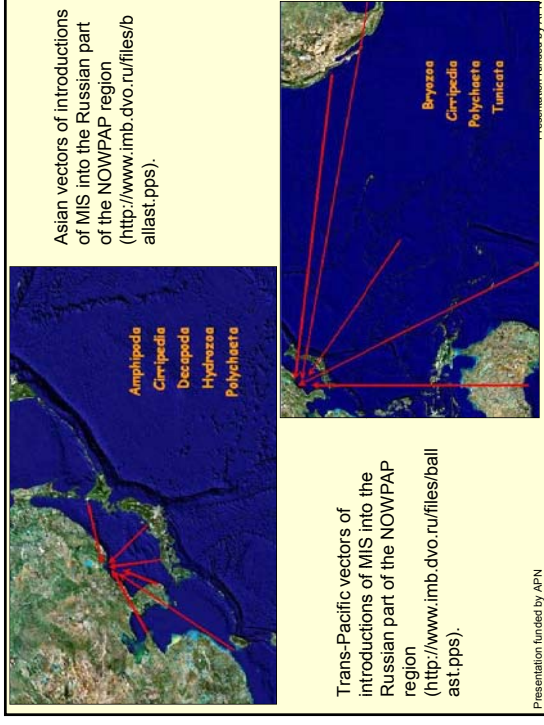
**Shipping and ballast waters +**

**Aquaculture -**

**Intentional introductions -**

**Climatic changes +**

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Asian vectors of introductions of MIS into the Russian part of the NOWPAP region (<http://www.imb.dvo.ru/files/allast.pps>).

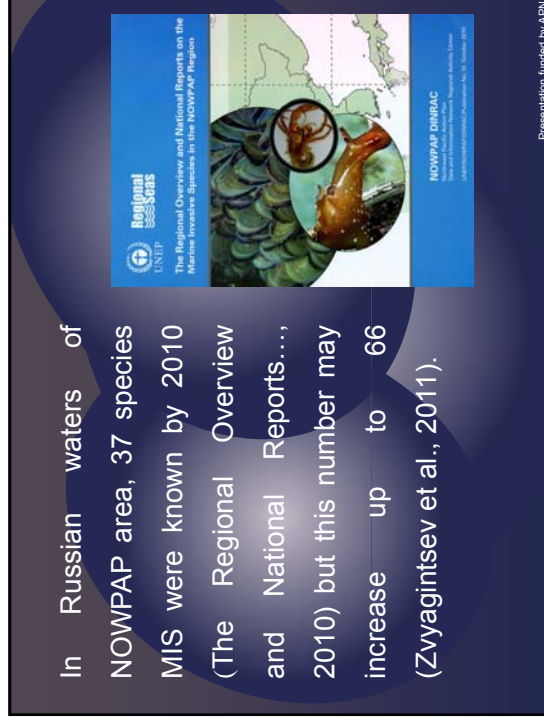
Trans-Pacific vectors of introductions of MIS into the Russian part of the NOWPAP region (<http://www.imb.dvo.ru/files/ballast.pps>).

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In Peter the Great Bay, about 16000 ships enter ports and harbours every year, and among them about 8000 ships operate on international lines (Zvyagintsev, 2007). A majority of ships (more than 10000) go into the **Vladivostok Port**. Such an intensive traffic favours introductions of alien species through fouling communities and release of ballast waters.

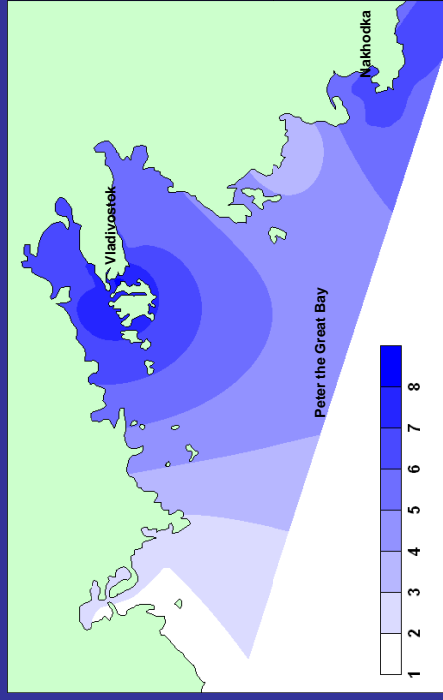
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In Russian waters of NOWPAP area, 37 species MIS were known by 2010 (The Regional Overview and National Reports..., 2010) but this number may increase up to 66 (Zvyagintsev et al., 2011).

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More than 60 introduced species have been presently recorded for the Russian Far East seas. In Peter the Great Bay 51 species have been identified as non indigenous; 17 of them are fouling species.



A wide variety of environments

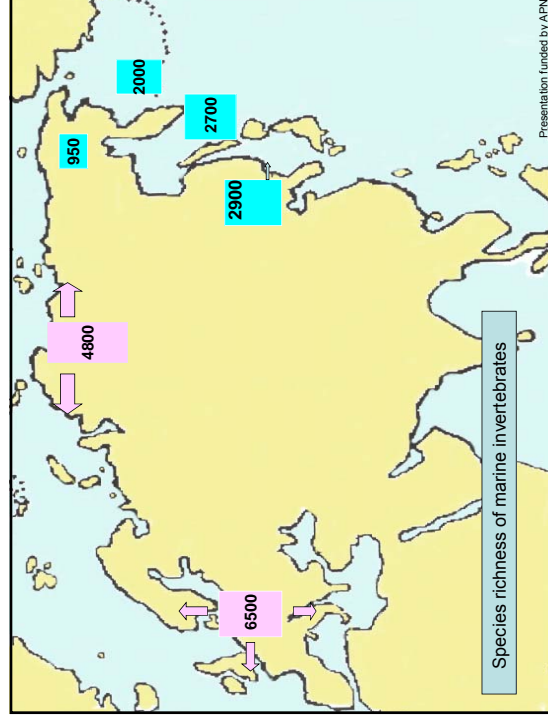


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### By its biological diversity, Peter the Great Bay can be considered among the richest and most productive regions of Russia

- in the number of species of marine organisms, the bay significantly exceeds similar water areas in Russian Far-Eastern Seas;
- the bay is inhabited by more than **3800** species of microorganisms, fungi, plants and animals belonging to **1855** genera, more than **840** families, **104** classes and **52** phyla;
- among the species inhabiting Peter the Great Bay, **68** species of fish and more than **40** species of invertebrates and plants are commercially important.


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## МОРСКОЕ ОБРАСТАНИЕ В СЕВЕРО-ЗАПАДНОЙ ЧАСТИ ТИХОГО ОКЕАНА




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MARINE FOULING  
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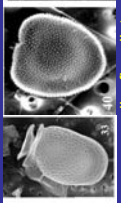

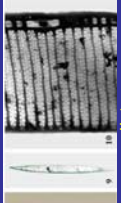



During the regular inspection of the Center in the port of Vladivostok in the ballast water of just two vessels serving Russia-Japan (*Sunrise Wisteria*) and Russia-China (*Minotaur*) shipping routes the following organisms were found:

- 45 species of microalgae,
- 24 zooplankton species,
- 22 metazoan species,
- 10 species of metazoans,
- 24 species of marine fungi,
- strains of pathogenic bacteria.


**Total: 165 species**

**Potentially toxic species**


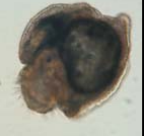
			
dinoflagellates		diatoms	



***Fenicillium, Aspergillus, Cladosporium, Acremonium* fungi**




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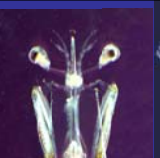



Larvae in ballast water

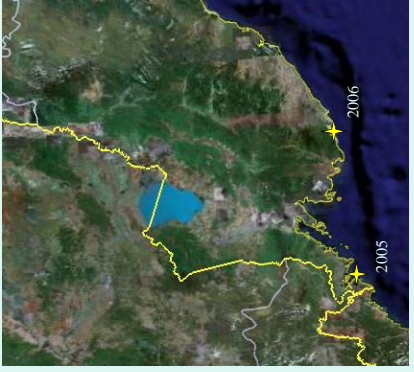



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### Subtropical invasive species into north-western Sea of Japan





*Aplysia parvula*

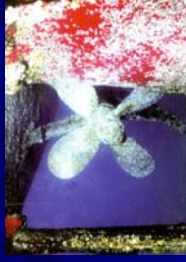
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Subtropical and tropical species of the Opisthobranchia in Peter the Great Bay



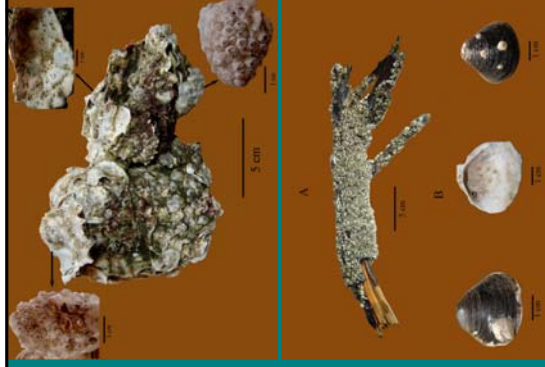
Abalone *Haliotis discus* found in Peter the Great Bay (Rakov, Arhipov, 2004)

*Amphibalanus improvisus*, a barnacle, was recorded for the first time in the fouling of hydrotechnical constructions of Peter the Great Bay in 1969 (Zevina, Gorin, 1971)

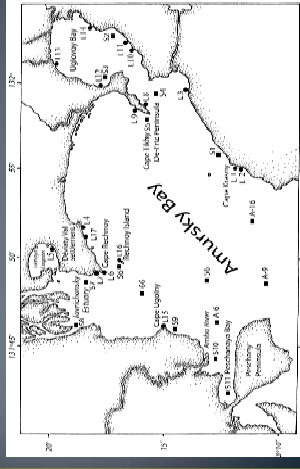


*Balanus amphitrite* is a subtidal widely distributed tropical-subtropical species. According to Zevina and Gorin (1975), this species occurred in the fouling of buoys in Nakhodka, Strel'ok, and Amursky bays only in warm years. In Peter the Great Bay, Zvyagintsev (2003) found *B. amphitrite* in the fouling of 46% of the examined active vessels.

Invasive species of barnacle *Amphibalanus improvisus* in Amursky Bay



A successful naturalization of the invasive barnacle *Amphibalanus improvisus* led to displacement of indigenous cirripeds from dominating macrobenthic species of the local fauna (Ovsyannikova, 2008)



Distribution of *Amphibalanus improvisus* in Amursky Bay

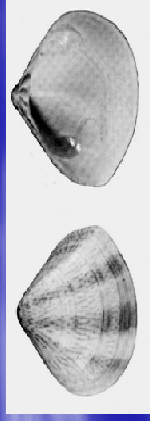
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New immigrants – alien species of bivalve mollusks in north-western Sea of Japan/East Sea



*Mytilus galloprovincialis* (Mytilidae)

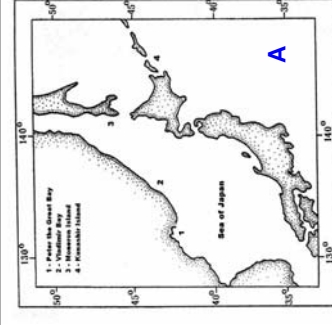
introduced in 1970s



*Gomphina aequilatera* (Veneridae)

introduced in 1990s

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Regional (A) and local (B) distributions of *Mytilus galloprovincialis* in the Russian Far Eastern seas

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## Economic impact

The mussel *M. galloprovincialis* which became an abundant component of biofouling in Peter the Great Bay in the 1990s (Ivanova, Lutaenko, 1998) may damage aquaculture installations but, at the same time, this mussel and its hybrids with local allied species *Mytilus trossulus* are perspective object of aquaculture

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## Polychaetes (Polychaeta)

- *Polydora limicola*. In fouling of HTC in Vladivostok, Nakhodka, Nevelsk, Kholmsk, Korsakov, and Ulgorsk.
- *Hydroides elegans*. It dominates the fouling in Peter the Great Bay, and its biomass increases toward the innermost part of the bay.
- *Pseudopotamilla ocellata*. The greatest quantitative indices for the population density of this species were registered in the fouling in western Sakhalin; it was found also along the coasts of Primorye and the southern Kurile Islands on rocky coast.
- *Perinereis aibuhitensis*.

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## Polychaetes



*Pseudopotamilla ocellata* found in Peter the Great Bay (Zvyagintsev et al., 2009)

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## PLANKTON

In Amursky Bay, long-term studies of the species composition of phytoplankton carried out during the period from 1991 to 2006 revealed a total of 357 species of planktonic microalgae from eight divisions: Cyanophyta (8 species), Chrysophyta (8), Bacillariophyta (157), Cryptophyta (5), Dinophyta (143), Raphidophyta (3), Euglenophyta (11), and Chlorophyta (22 species); some of them can be invasive species but it is difficult to prove as there was no long-term monitoring in the area (Orlova et al., 2009).

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## New records or invasive species?

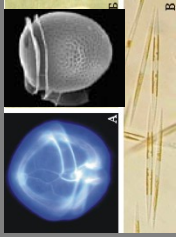
- Appearance of the dinoflagellate *Scrippsiella spinifera* in Possjet Bay in 1999 might be related to the introduction with warm waters from the coast of Japan (Selina et al., 2009)
- A dinoflagellate *Gyrodinium striatum*, new for Russian waters of Russia and found in Peter the Great Bay, probably, penetrated to the bay with ballast waters (Orlova et al., 2003)
- A diatom *Cerataulina dentata* was recorded for the first time in Peter the Great and previously was known in tropical-subtropical regions (Stonik, Orlova, 1998)
- A copepod crustacean, *Pseudocalanus inopinus* was found in ballast waters of the *Timber Star* motorship (Russia-Japan shipping lines) which is rare or occasional component of plankton communities of Peter the Great Bay and a marker of the arrival of tropical warm waters (Zvyagintsev and Seifonova (2008)

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**Annual and seasonal long-time monitoring of phytoplankton, including toxic microalgae**

Among 200 species of microalgae responsible for blooms about 50 species produce toxins. In Peter the Great Bay, 25 potentially toxic species have been found.



Number of cysts of *A. tamarense* varies from 100 to 60 000 per g of the bottom sediment.

*Dinophysis* (ocadaic acid) – acute gastroenteritis)  
*Pseudo-nitzschia* (domoic acid) – ASP (80), amnesia shellfish poisoning (up to 760 ng/ml)  
*Alexandrium* (saxitoxin) – PSP (1100) (paralytic shellfish poisoning)



**up to 760 ng/ml) Alexandrium (saxitoxin) – PSP (1100) (paralytic shellfish poisoning)**

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**Annual and seasonal long-time monitoring of fish fauna in Peter the Great Bay**

Ichthyofauna of the Russian waters of the Sea of Japan/East Sea includes 365 species, 316 of which occur in Peter the Great Bay. 114 species are southern migrants.

**17 species of tropical and subtropical fishes, new for the Russian waters, have been recorded in the Bay for the last decade (13 species for the 2001-2007) because of the warming of surface waters**

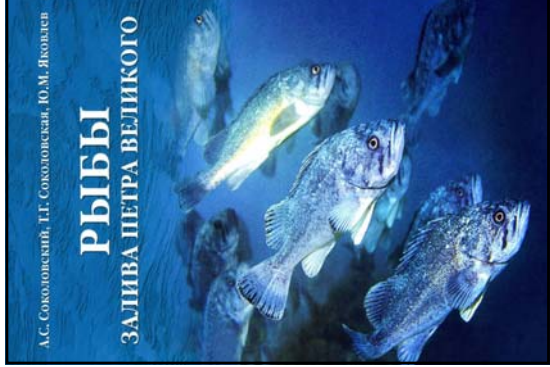
1. *Coryphaena equisetis* (dorado)
2. *Brama japonica* (Japanese bream)
3. *Micranthias striatus* (striped micranth)
4. *Girella punctata* (spotted girella)
5. *Plectibemius yarabei* (Yarabe blenniiform fish)
6. *Chirolophis salione* (Saito blenniiform fish)
7. *Hyperoglyphe japonica* (Japanese hyperoglyphe)
8. *Heterostichus rostratus* (Japanese greasling)
9. *Ulugma auctivates* (striped sea snail)
10. *Hirto histrio* (frogfish)
11. *Sphaeroides pachygaster* (ball fish)
12. *Seriola dumeril* (greater amberfish)
13. *Parupeneus spilurus* (Japanese goat-fish)

Some warm-water species – garfish, half-beaks, thread herring, Japanese anchovy, mullet – extend their area of distribution and have been involved into fishery process in Peter the Great Bay

At the same time, some cold-water species valuable for fishery – walleye pollock, Pacific herring, saffron cod, plaices – often migrate from Peter the Great Bay to north for reproduction

All these species are at the first stages of acclimatization with them there are no stable populations established in local communities.

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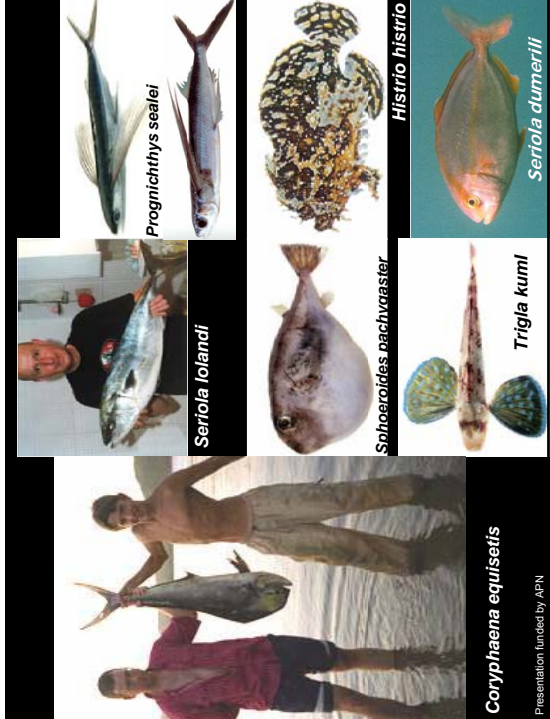


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### Jellyfish (Scyphozoa)

*Rhopilema esculentum*, a jellyfish was first recorded along the coast of Primorye in 1999 and became an object of commercial harvesting in 2001 (Borodin et al., 2003). Its natural distributional range is located in tropical and subtropical waters – South China, Yellow and East China seas. Borodin et al. (2003) explain its appearance in Peter the Great Bay by intensification of warm Tsushima and East Korean currents.



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### Sea reptiles (Chelonia and Serpentes)



Yellowbelly sea snake *Pelamis platura* - records in Peter the Great Bay in 1873 and 2007



Leatherback turtle *Dermochelys coriacea* (1936, 1972, 1979, 1984)

Seasonal migrants

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### POTENTIAL (EXPECTED) MARINE INVASIVE SPECIES

Sokolovsky et al. (2004) predict appearance of more subtropical fish species in Peter the Great Bay with global warming and intensification of warm currents in the Sea of Japan/East Sea.

Zvyagintsev et al. (2009) believe that ascidian *Polyandrocarpa zorrifensis*, barnacle *Balanus glandula*, polychaetes of the genus *Polydora* and bivalve mollusk *Perna viridis* are potential marine benthic invasive species into Peter the Great Bay. These species were introduced into the coastal waters of Japan (Otani, 2004).

Potential invasive species of mollusks due to migrations induced by global warming and current system modifications (Lutaenko, 1999)

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Possible new inhabitants (invasive species) – bivalve mollusks in different parts of the Sea of Japan in course of global warming (after Lutaenko, 1999; with corrections)

Species	Southern Sakhalin	Peter the Great Bay	Middle Primorye
<i>Anadara broughtonii</i>	+	*	+
<i>A. inaequivalvis</i>	+	+	-
<i>A. kagoshimensis</i>	?	+	-
<i>Trapezium liratum</i>	+	*	-
<i>Meretrix lusoria</i>	-	+	-

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**Talmi Lagoon, Russian – Korean border**



ANCIENT BEACH RIDGE



Storm gravely deposits with abundant shells of regionally extinct *Anadara inaequivalvis*

Thank you

# The invasive species in China seas and its impacts

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## 1.Non-indigenous species in China seas

There are about 126 species introduced intentionally and unintentionally in China seas.Among which there are 9 species bacteria(viruses),7 species algae,8 species plants,7 species coelenterate, 1 species polychaete, 17 species molluscs, 8 species crustacean,4 species bryozoan,2 species echinoderms,4 species urochordata,45 species fishes, 4 species birds,and 8 species mammals.

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## 2. The main ways for marine alien species introduction

### 2.1 Introduction for marine aquaculture

As the country with the biggest mariculture industry in the world, China has introduced some 41 species of alien marine organisms for the purpose of mariculture until 2007.

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## Introduction for marine aquaculture

- According inadequate statistic until 2007, there were
  - 5 species of alga
  - 13 species of shellfish
  - 7 species of crustaceans
  - 1 species of sea urchin,
  - 15 species of fishes,
- being introduced in recent years.



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Tab. Species introduced for marine aquaculture in China

Species	Introduction date	Source regions	Recipient regions
<i>Scaphalium maximum</i>	1992	EU	Shan dong/Liao ning
<i>Stomatopoda ovifera</i>	1991	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Squilla garthi</i>	1983	U.S.A	All China
<i>Argulus argulus</i>	1990	EU	South China coast
<i>Pagrus major</i>	1991	Japan	North China coast
<i>Ostrionema mesamblica</i>	1978	Vietnam	China coast
<i>Ostrionema tibeticum</i>	1983	Sudan	China coast
<i>Ostrionema aureum</i>	1990b	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Merionis australis</i>	1990b	U.S.A	South China coast
<i>Litsea calceifera</i>	1993	Australia	North China coast
<i>Penaeus japonicus</i>	1988	Japan	China coast
<i>Penaeus vannamei</i>	1982	U.S.A	North China coast
<i>Argopecten irradians</i>	1980b	Japan	China coast
<i>Palaemonetes yessoensis</i>	1980b	Japan	China coast
<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	1980b	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Hydrobia ulvae</i>	1980b	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Argopecten irradians</i>	1980b	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Alpheidae</i>	1980b	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Alpheidae</i>	1980b	U.S.A	China coast
<i>Stomatopoda ovifera</i>	1989	EU	North China coast
<i>Stomatopoda ovifera</i>	1990	Japan	North China coast
<i>Limulus japonicus</i>	1980b	Japan	naturalization
<i>Paralimulus</i>	1980b	Japan	naturalization
<i>Stomatopoda ovifera</i>	1980b	U.S.A	naturalization
<i>Stomatopoda ovifera</i>	1980b	U.S.A	naturalization

Guang dong

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Some kinds of the introduced species were widely cultured



*Argopecten irradians*



*Pecten yessoensis* Jay



*Penaeus vannamei*

*Penaeus japonicus* (Bate)

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Some kinds of the introduced species were widely cultured



*Strongylocentrotus intermedicus*



*Oncorhynchus mykiss*



*Scophthalmus maximus* (Linnæus)



*Scophthalmus maximus* (Linnæus)

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## 2. The main ways for marine alien species introduction

### 2.2 Introduction for aquaria

Many aquaria have been built over Chinese mainland, in which 51 marine ornamental animals and plants were imported and exhibited.

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## Introduction for aquaria

- 7 species of coelenterata
- 2 species of shellfish
- 1 species of crustacean
- 1 species of echinoderms
- 26 species of fishes
- 6 species of birds
- 8 species of mammals



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## 2. The main ways for marine alien species introduction

### 2.3 Introduction for ballast water

In recent years sixteen cryptogenic HAB species have been found in China coast sea areas. Perhaps they were introduced by ballast water.

*Chaetomorpha muricata*

*Gonyaulax polygramma* Stein

*Gonyaulax polyedra* Stein

*Karenia mikimotoi*

*Phaeocystis* sp.

*Alexandrium tamarense*

*Alexandrium catenella*

*Gyrodinium aureolum*

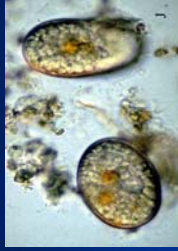
*Cyclodinium* sp.



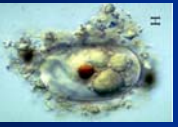
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## Some kinds of the introduced species from ballast water



*Alexandrium catenella*



*Alexandrium tamarense*



*Gymnodinium catenatum*



*Karenia mikimotoi*

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## 2. The main ways for marine alien species introduction ---other ways



*Salicornia bigelovii* Torr



*Sommeratia apetala*



*Spartina alterniflora* Loisel



*Mytilopsis sallei* Recluz

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## 3. The invasive species in China seas

- *Spartina alterniflora* Loisel
- *Crepidula onyx*
- *Mytilopsis sallei* Recluz
- Some HAB species
- Some pathogenic species

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## 4. The problems caused by the invasive species

- 4.1 economic and ecological damages.
- 4.2 Genetic pollution
- 4.3 Marine aquaculture disease

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## Impacts and Distribution of *Mytilopsis sallei*

*Mytilopsis sallei*, looks like small mussel, were found in some semi-closed bays and shallow water in southeast China coastal. They have strong spread ability, and even can grow in very polluted sea water. They came from tropic sea near south America, now have be common benthod species.



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## Impacts and Distribution of *Mytilosis sallei*

- *Mytilosis sallei* was found in Taiwan in 1977, found in Hongkong in 1980, and firstly found in Xiamen, Fujian province in 1990.
- It often clings to and cover with marine aquaculture establishments such as piscicultural cages, heading rafts, and ropes etc. According to monitoring, the density can reach to 5740~34360 indi./m<sup>2</sup>, so it seriously impacts the local marine aquaculture. Moreover, *Mytilosis sallei* can exclude the native species, such as *Balanitis sp.*, *Crasostrea sp.*, etc, and makes local biodiversity loss.



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## Impacts and Distribution of *Crepidula onyx*

- *Crepidula onyx* was found in Kongkong in 1979. Now it has spread to Guangdong coast (figures 5, 6). It is a dominant species of the fouling organisms, and often adheres to the shell of *Perna viridis*, cultured and to piscicultural cages. The density can reach to 11~994 indi./m<sup>2</sup>.
- Guangdong, Hongkong



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## Impacts and Distribution of *Spartina alterniflora*

- *Spartina alterniflora* was introduced to protect beach from England and U.S.A in 1979
- Its impacts
  - (1) destroying the habitat of inshore organisms, so as to impact beach breeding;
  - (2) jamming the navigation way, thereby barring ships in and out;
  - (3) impacting seawater exchanging, then causing the degradation of seawater quality, further inducing red tide;
  - (4) threatening the native coast ecosystem, thus bringing on the disappearing of mangrove.
- From north China to south China coasts



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## Impacts of some HAB

- There are many HABs are found in China, including *Alexandrium catenella*, *A. coloniale*, *A. tamarense*, *Amphidinium carterae*, *A. klebsii*, *Dinophysis fortii*, *D. acuminata*, *D. caudata*, *D. rotunda*, *Gyrodinium aureolum*, *Gymnodinium breve*, *G. rhomboides*, *Prorocentrum nicaus*, *P. minimum*, *Protogonyaulax tamarensis*, of which many were transport from other seas.



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## Genetic impacts

- Strongylocentrotus intermedius* lives natively in north Japan, north Korea and the Pacific coast of Russia. This species was introduced to north China for marine aquaculture by Dalian Fishery College in 1989, and it is cultured in large scale in Liaoning and Shandong province north China now. But there are several native sea urchin species, such as *Strongylocentrotus nudus* and *Hemicentrotus pulcherrimus*, which have high phylogenetic relationships with *S. intermedius* in north China. These native species with high quality are very important sea urchin fishery resources in north China. However, there exists "genetic pollution" risk due to introducing *S. intermedius*. In order to assess this possible genetic impact, several experiments in laboratory were conducted to test whether there exists genetic hybridization between the native sea urchin species and the introduced species.

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## Genetic impacts

- hybridization experiments between *Strongylocentrotus intermedius* and *Strongylocentrotus nudus* and *Hemicentrotus pulcherrimus*



*Strongylocentrotus nudus*

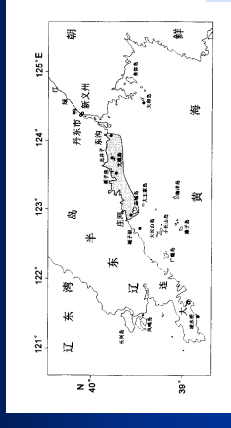


*Hemicentrotus pulcherrimus*



*Strongylocentrotus intermedius*

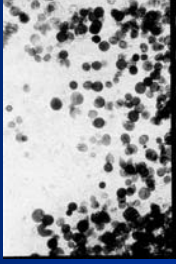
## Marine aquaculture disease



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## Dormant spores cultivated by FTM medium

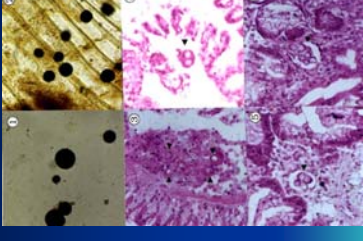
Densities of spores amounts to one million per gram tissue



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## Shape and distribution of Perkinsus in *Ruditapes philippinarum*

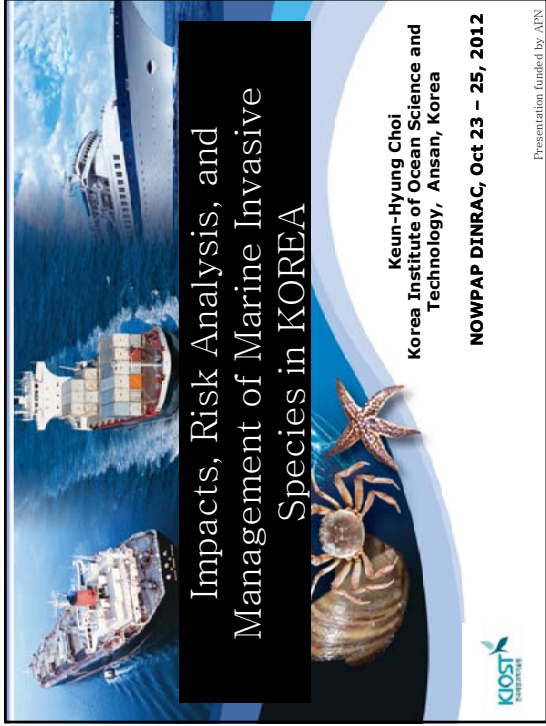
- ① Dormant spores cultivated by FTM medium;
- ② Dormant spores of gill cultivated by FTM medium;
- ③ One cell nourishing spores of gill;
- ④ Double cell nourishing spores of gill ;
- ⑤ Four cell nourishing spores of digestive gland;
- ⑥ Eight cell nourishing spores of digestive gland



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Thank You!





# Impacts, Risk Analysis, and Management of Marine Invasive Species in KOREA

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## Outline

- Impacts of MIS
- Risk Analysis
- PERAT
- Habitat Niche modeling
- Summary

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## MIS Impact Studies

- Park and Kang 2010 as a part of Westpac/IOC analysis - based on literature review
- MLTM (2010) – benthic survey rather than an impact study
- PERAT (Port Environmental Risk Assessment Technology) started in 2007 - focused on ballast water management

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## MIS Impact report

Group of organisms	Species	First recorded (year)	Location of 1 <sup>st</sup> record	Verification of the first record	Vector	Current distribution	Native range	Origin (introduced by)	Impact (Y/N/Info)
Microalgae	<i>Noctiluca scintillans</i>	1970s	Ichon	unknown	Ballast	Coast	Europe	Shipping	Y
Sea anemone	<i>Aequorea victoria</i>	1980s	unknown	Song (1984)	Shipping	Coast	Asia	unknown	unknown
Polychaete hydroids system		1980s	unknown	Pak (1975)	Ballast	Ports	Southern Ala	unknown	Y
Cnidarian	<i>Aequorea victoria</i>	1980s	Ichon	unknown	Ballast	Coast	Asia	unknown	unknown
	<i>Aequorea victoria</i>	1990s	Namhae	unknown	Ballast	Ports	Asia	Japan by Shipping	unknown
	<i>Aequorea victoria</i>	1970s	Ichon	Kim and Kim (1982)	Ballast	Estuaries	Southern Ala	unknown	unknown
Sea star	<i>Pisaster trugenensis</i>	1970s	Busan	Kim and Kim (1982)	Ballast	Southern coast	Southern Ala	Japan by Shipping	unknown
	<i>Pisaster trugenensis</i>	1960s	Kangwon	Rho and Kim (1986)	Ballast	Coast	North Pacific	Risk during Asterwar	Y
Mussel	<i>Mytilus peruvianus</i>	1960s	Busan	at (1991)	Ballast	Coast	Europe	unknown	Y
Acidian	<i>Cone intermedius</i>	1960s	Busan	Rho (1986)	Ballast	Coast	Asia	unknown	Y
Bryozoa	<i>Regularia californica</i>	1980s	unknown	Rho and Song (1988)	Ballast	Southern coast	Southern Ala	USA and China by	unknown
Fish	<i>Scorpaenopsis diabolus</i>	1990s	Bonggong	unknown	Aquaculture	Southern coast	North America	aquaculture	Y

Kang and Kim 2010 in Chavanich, S., L. Tan, et al., Eds. (2010). Report on the current status of marine non-indigenous species in the Western Pacific Region. Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific (IOC/WESTPAC). Bangkok, Thailand.

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# Most outstanding MIS in Korea



Data source: MLTM 2010 report 4

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# Species Interactions

MIS	Vector	Impacts (1-5)	Origin	Status
<i>Halichondria boerbanki</i>	BW	1	Europe	Newly invaded
<i>Mytilus galloprovincialis</i>	BW/aquaculture	5 (outcompete native species)	Europe	Widely distributed
<i>Crepidula onyx</i> Sowerby	aquaculture	2	South America, CA south	
<i>Balanus earrhintrike</i>	Hull fouling	3	Unknown	Widely distributed in ports and bays
<i>Balanus aburneus</i>	Hull fouling	1	North America, Caribbean	
<i>Balanus perforatus</i>	Hull fouling	3 (competition with native species)		Spread on the East coast
<i>Balanus improvisus</i>	Hull fouling	3 (aquaculture, clogging pipes)		Widely distributed in ports and bays
<i>Bugula ciliata</i>	BW	1 (aquaculture)	CA	
<i>Bugula neritina</i> Linnae	Hull fouling	2 (aquaculture)	Mediterranean	Southern coast, Jeju
<i>Tricellina occidentalis</i>	Hull fouling	1 (aquaculture, navigation)	CA	Southern coast, Jeju
<i>Schizoporella unicornis</i>	BW	2 (aquaculture, navigation)	Britain	Southern coast, Jeju

Data source: MLTM 2010 report 5

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# Species Interactions

MIS	Vector	Impacts (1-5)	Origin	Status
<i>Styela plicata</i>	BW/hull fouling	3 (aquaculture)	East coast of US, Caribbean Sea	widespread
<i>Ciona intestinalis</i>	BW/hull fouling	3 (aquaculture)	Atlantic coasts	
<i>Cinelella lepadiformis</i>	BW/hull fouling	1	Atlantic coasts, Mediterranean, Norway--Spain	
<i>Ulva armoricana</i>	Hull fouling/fishery import	2 (green tide)	France	South, West coast
<i>Ulva fasciata</i>	Hull fouling/fishery import	2 (green tide)	Mediterranean	South coast, Jeju
<i>Ulva flexuosa</i>	Hull fouling	1 (green tide)	Mediterranean	South, West coast
<i>Ulva procerca</i>	Hull fouling	1 (green tide)	Sweden	Tongyoung, incheon-limited distribution

\* Nearly all of impact studies are anecdotal or of literature review, and no systematic study has been conducted

Data source: MLTM 2010 report 6

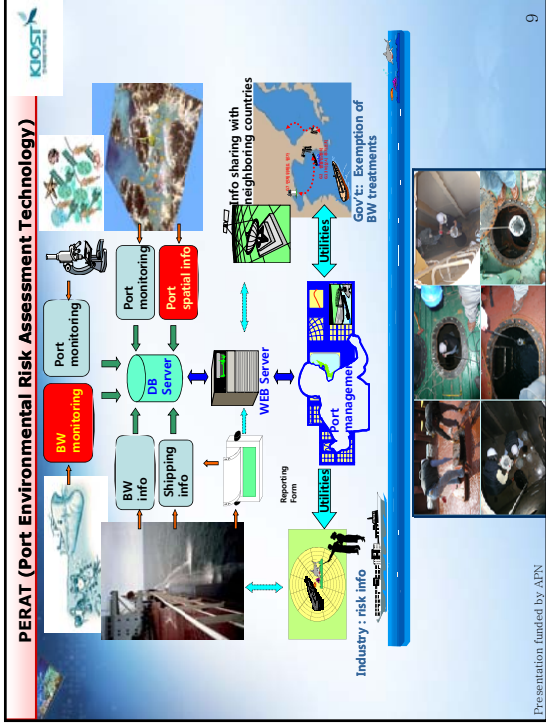
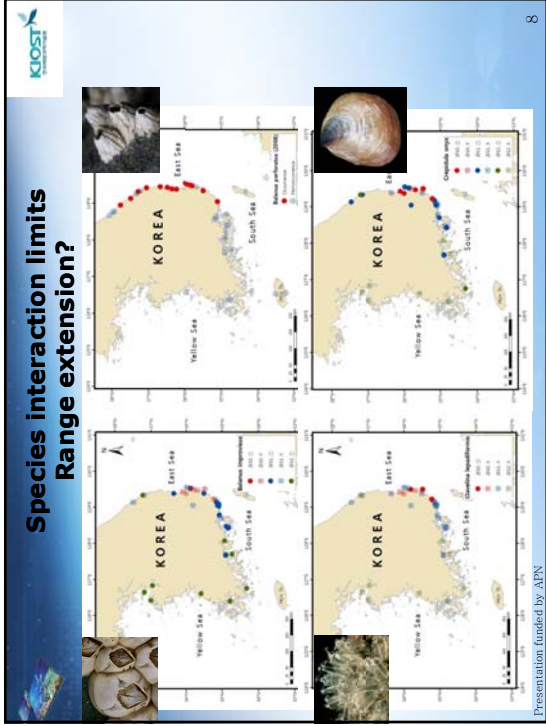
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# Species Interactions



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### PERAT - started in 2007, focused on ballast water management

IMO Approach

**ROR (relative overall risk)**

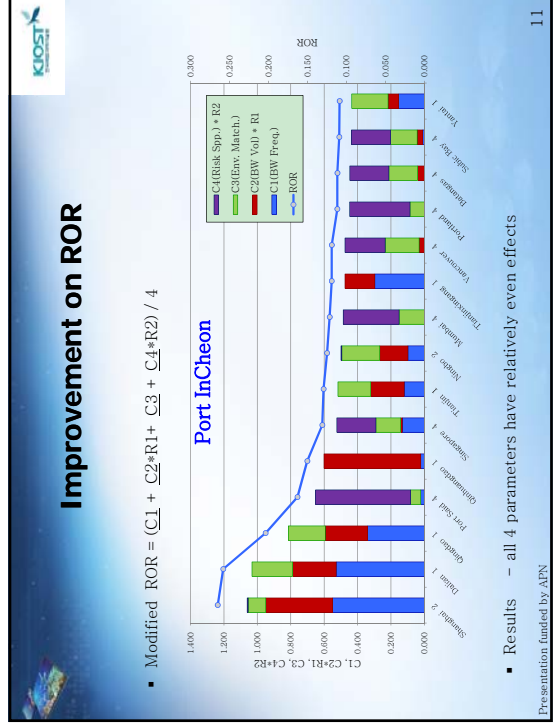
$$= (C1 + [C2 \times R1_{w4}] + C3 + [C4 \times R2_{w5}]) / 4 \quad \text{Eq1}$$

$$= (C1 + [C2 \times R1_{w4}] + [C3 \times C4 \times R2_{w5}]) / 3 \quad \text{Eq2}$$

C1=proportional discharge frequency  
 C2=proportional discharge volume  
 C3=environmental matching  
 C4=relative risk species threat  
 R1= effects on C2 by BW tank size  
 R2= effects on C4 via duration of BW

R1	기록상의 최내항크루피	<100	100-500	500-1000	>1000
W4	C2에 적용될 위해기준계수	0.4	0.6	0.8	1
R2	기록상의 최소영크저장시간	<5	5-10	10-20	20-50
W5	C4에 적용될 위해기준계수	1	0.6	0.4	0.2

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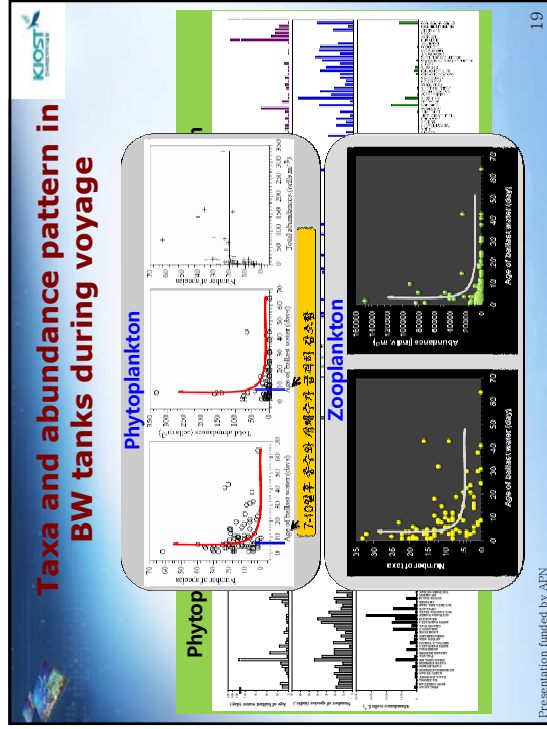
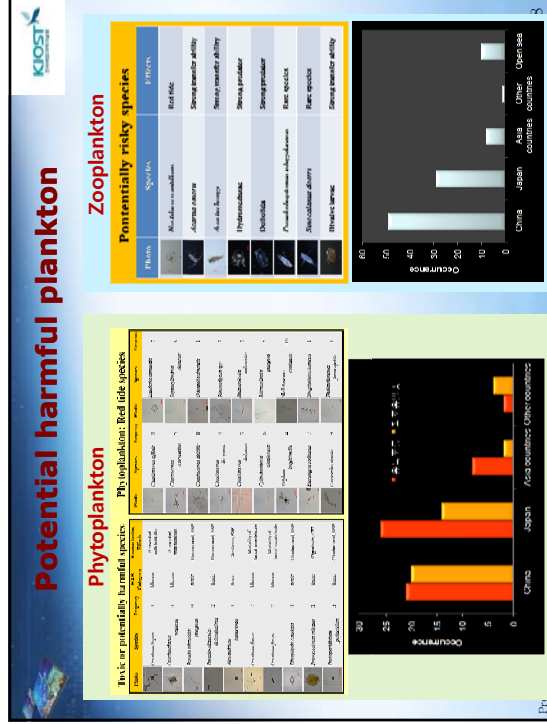
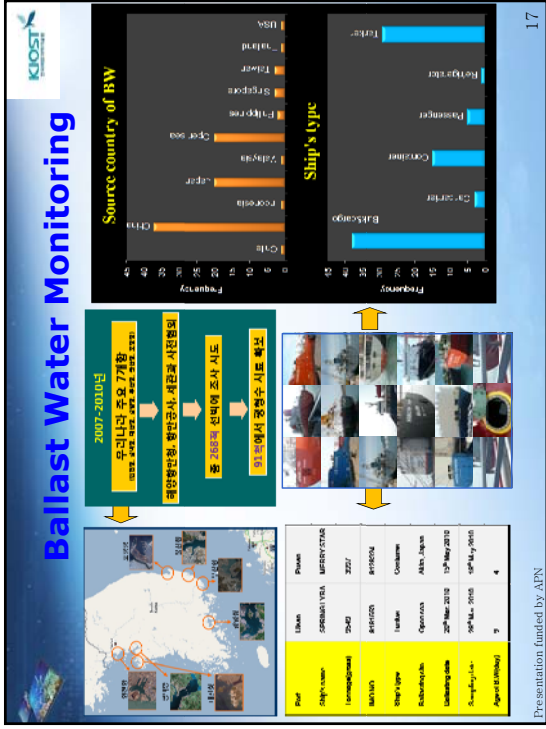
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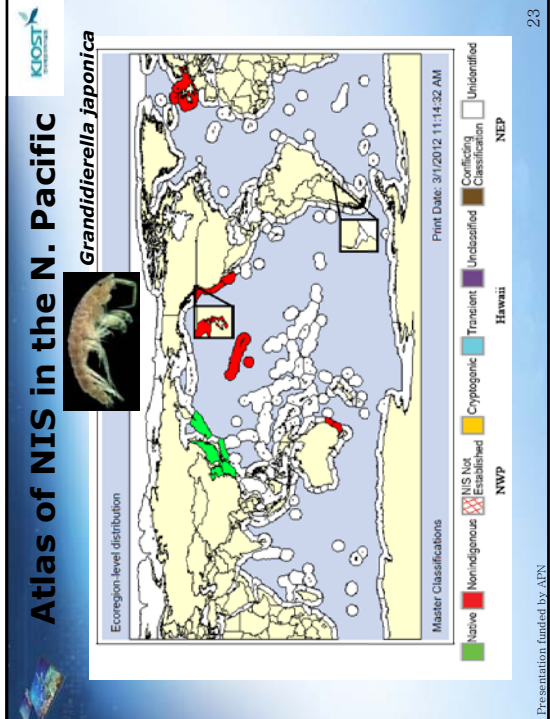
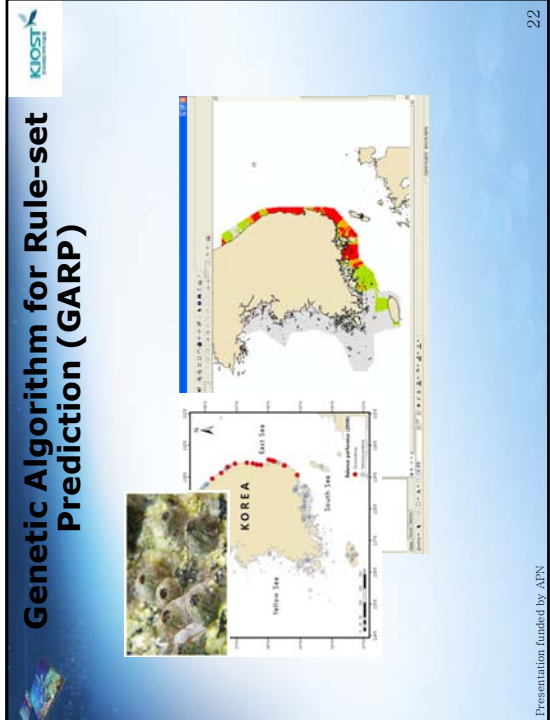
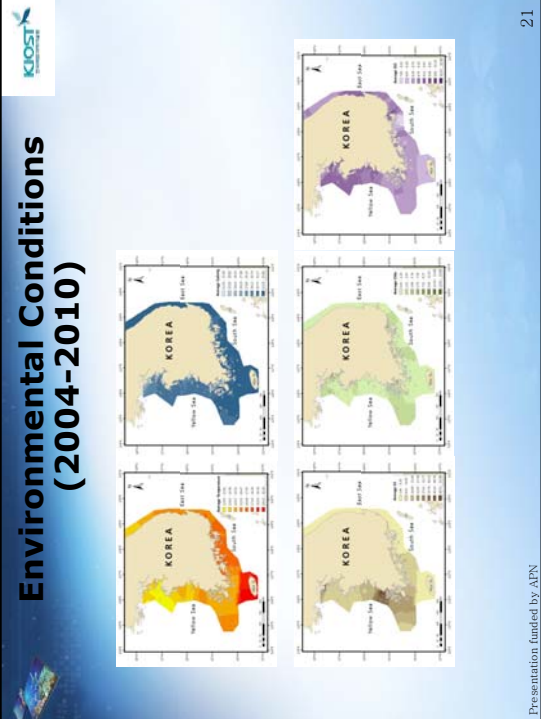
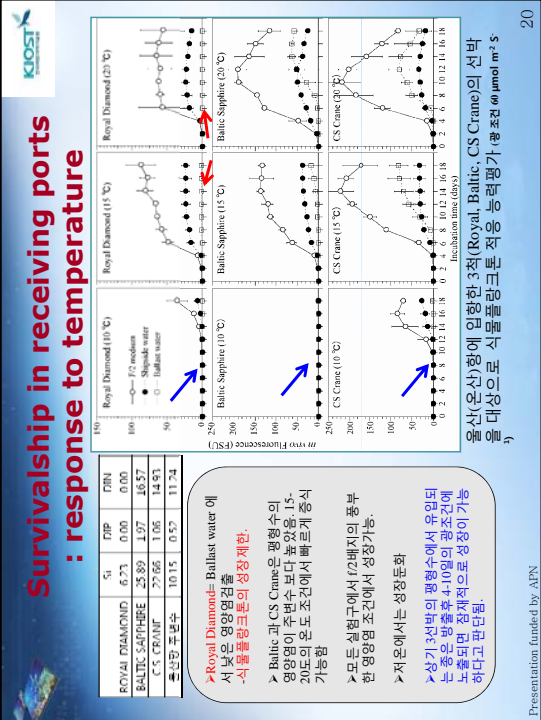
## Zooplankton

Potential risky species or taxon based on literature (Inner and outer ports)

Zooplankton	Character	Inner port						Outer port						
		N	F	M	A	N	F	M	A	N	F	M	A	
Ctenophore larvae	Strong invasive, Omnivorous	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Thaliacean larvae	Strong invasive, Omnivorous	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Hydromedusae	Strong predator	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Noctiluca scintillans</i>	Red tide species	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Acartia omorii</i>	Eurythermal and euryhaline ability by dormant eggs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Acartia longi</i>	Stenohaline, Potentially interoceanic, sea-coastal transfer	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

\* Indicates occurrence of the species N: November, F: February, M: May, A: August





## Summary

- There must be species interactions, which may determine invasional success, and ecological approach is urgently needed to understand full impacts of MIS
- Regional cooperation of information sharing is essential for stemming spreading as well as introductions of MIS
  - qualitative information is not enough
- Distribution pattern of MIS backs up BW/hull fouling is a major route for their introductions.

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## Pros and Cons of Invasive Cordgrass *Spartina Spp.* Introduced into China from UK and USA over 30 Years Ago

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### 1. Introduction of *Spartina anglica* and *S. alterniflora* into China

*Spartina anglica*, commonly called **English cordgrass**, is an invasive, perennial salt marsh grass.



*Spartina anglica* was deliberately introduced into China from UK by Prof. Chung Chung Hsin of Nanjing University in July 1963.



The first English cordgrass plantation, about 40 hectares, was created in the coastal mudflat of Yancheng city, Jiangsu province of China in 1965.



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*Spartina alterniflora*, also called **smooth cordgrass**, was introduced by Prof. Chung. C.H. into Fujian province of China from USA in 1979.

The two cordgrass were successively planted in coastal salt flats of **10 provinces**, such as Liaoning, Hebei, Zhejiang, Shandong, Fujian, Guangxi, Guangdong.



The **primary purpose** of introducing the two *Spartina* species is to reclaim arable land from the sea and mitigate the attack of strong storm to seawall



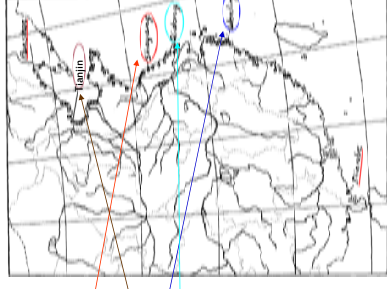
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### 2. Distribution of *Spartina anglica* and *S. alterniflora* in China

The earliest center of *Spartina anglica* distribution is **Shayang County**(33° 40'N), Jiangsu.

Three others are **Wenling County** (north of 28° N), **Tianjin**(39° N) and **Qidong County**( 32° N) north of Yangze estuary.

*S. anglica* distribution extended in the past to approximately **90 cities and counties** along Chinese coast. Its distribution sites are found in every province along the coastline from Dandong, at the mouth of the Yalu River to Hepu, Guangxi



Source: Chung C.H. 2003



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East China contains more than four-fifths of the total *S. anglica* distribution. Jiangsu ranks highest, Zhejiang being next. North China has far fewer areas and South China has the least.

The record of its highest plantation area in China reached ever up to about **33,000 hectares** in 1983. Since introduction of *Spartina alterniflora*, its distribution area started to decrease.

*Spartina anglica* distribution in China

County	Hectares (ha)
Jiangsu	18,700-22,000
Zhejiang	6,900-8,400
Shandong	3,000
Fujian	1,000
Hebei	970
Guangxi	153
Liaoning	70
Guangdong	10

Source: Chung C.H. 2003

Jiangsu was especially noticed. The chronological increase of *S. anglica* as surveyed was: **110 ha** in 1966, **270** in 1973, **10,000** in 1978, **33,000** in 1983.

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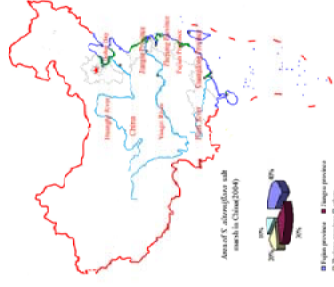
*S. alterniflora* is now distributed in nine of the 14 coastal provinces in East and South China, spanning from the subtropics to the temperate zone. (Source: Liu et al. 2007; Wang et al., 2008).

Mainly distributed in the salt flats of **Fujian**(40% in plantation area) and **Jiangsu**(30%), **Zhejiang**(20%).

The current distribution area of *S. alterniflora* in China is approximately 46,000-53,000 hectares.

Dr. Zhao will give detailed information in terms of its distribution in the provinces where it was planted.

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Area of *S. alterniflora* salt marsh in China (2004)

Legend: ■ Fujian province, ■ Jiangsu province, ■ Zhejiang province

Distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* salt marsh in China. The green block represents *S. alterniflora* salt marsh. Source: Wan et al., 2009

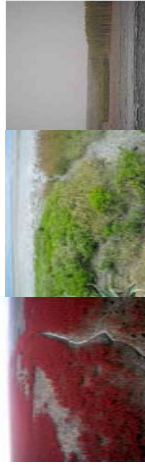


### 3. Potential Ecological Risks resulting from *Spartina spp.* in China

#### 3.1 Invade into the habitats of native plants in salt marshes and then replace them

- Reduce and eventually replace distribution of native marsh grass (e.g. *Stachys salsa*, *S. mariqueter*, reed) in Jiangsu, Shandong and Zhejiang provinces and Shanghai, **resulting in their disappearance** from original habitats (Zao and Liu, 2007, Tian et al. 2009, Li et al. 2009, Li et al. 2005)
- Invade into the habitat of mangroves in Guangxi (Li et al. 2009).
- Invade into Dayu Island Nature Reserve in Xiamen, Fujian province, southeast China (Zhu, et al. 2008).

**Main causes:** *S. alterniflora* has a greater competitive ability than native salt marsh plants.



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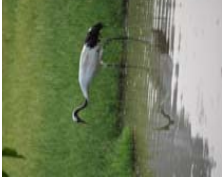
#### 3.2 Decrease availability of native salt marsh habitats to migrant and shorebirds

- Lower numbers of **red crown crane** in *S. alterniflora* community of Yancheng Nature Reserve in Jiangsu province than the mudflats (Zao and Liu, 2007)
- A decrease in species and number of waterfowls (e.g. **White Egrets**) in *S. alterniflora* stand in Yellow Sea delta, Shandong province and Fujian province (Tian et al. 2009, Yu et al. 2010).
- Most **shorebirds** (songbirds and breeding birds, waterbirds and migrants) preferred to select mudflats or native plant community (reed, *S. mariqueter*) in Yangtze River estuary, rather than *S. alterniflora* meadow (Li et al. 2009, Gan et al. 2009).



**Main causes:** (1) Dense and *S. alterniflora* stands which is difficult to make access to native birds; (2) Changes in food components in *S. alterniflora* community.

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### 3.3 Effects of *S. alterniflora* on macrobenthic species

- Lower invertebrate species in *S. alterniflora* stand but higher individuals than that in adjacent mudflats in Yellow Sea delta, Shandong province (Tian et al. 2009)
- The mean density between *S. alterniflora* and *S. maritima* stand displayed no significant difference for 25 macrobenthic invertebrates sampled from Shanghai Congming Island, but abundance is lower for 4 out of 25 species in *S. alterniflora* stand and is higher for 1 species (Chen et al. 2005).
- The biodiversity index (e.g. Shannon index) and richness of macrobenthic species in the salt marsh of *S. alterniflora* were less than those in the mudflat in Jiangsu coast in every season. However, total individuals of the macrobenthic species was higher (Zhou et al. 2007).

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### 3.4 Effects of *S. alterniflora* expansion along coastal areas on local aquaculture

- Rapid colonization of *S. alterniflora* compete with shellfish (e.g. oyster and several clams) for habitat room in coastal mudflats of Fujian and Jiangsu provinces, resulting in a great loss of aquaculture production (Shang et al. 2008, Wan et al. 2009, Tian et al. 2009)
- Local fishermen think *S. alterniflora* may decrease the production of kelps and nori through competing with them for nutrients (Lin et al. 2002, Cao, 1996).



Fig. 6 – Shellfish migrated to the mudflat outside of *S. alterniflora* marsh in Yancheng City, China. Photograph: P. ZUO.

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## 4. Ecological Benefits and Utilization Practices of *Spartina spp.* in China

### 4.1 Buffering against storm tide

In the past 26 years, *Spartina spp.* proved itself to be an excellent guard along the coast. For example, In 1990, when the 5<sup>th</sup> typhoon with huge wave of 6.27m came to Qubai county of Zhejiang province. The seawall, in the front of which no macrophytes were distributed, was completely destroyed, while the one with *spartina* meadow was intact and only sprays of waves reached the dike; Another example from Wenzhou city, Zhejiang province showed *Spartina spp.* community can effectively prevent seawall from attack of strong typhoon (Lu and Wu, 1996)



Fig. 2 – The sea dikes without *S. alterniflora* vegetation in front were crashed (left) and the sea dikes with *S. alterniflora* vegetation in front were intact (right) in Donghai district of Wenzhou City, China when the 17<sup>th</sup> strong typhoon attacked the whole area in 1994. Photograph: S. Ma.

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### 4.2 Accelerating accretion and reclamation

In a report by Chung et al (2004), his study results showed that *S. alterniflora* meadow in Dongtai county, Jiangsu province brought out a greater accretion than the mudflat: 52.1cm vs 10.5cm, resulting in about 10,000ha. of newly formed land reclaimed from the smooth cordgrass accretion. In Zhejiang province, there are several similar example reports.

### 4.3 Providing important food source for salt marsh animals and saving as effective assimilator of Carbon dioxide (CO2) and as a agent of soil improvement

- Net primary production of *S. alterniflora* was estimated to be 3,412g(dry weight)/m<sup>2</sup>/yr and hence its organic detritus can supported sustainable development of offshore marine fish resources (Wan et al. 2009).
- A study showed that the total net primary production of the *S. alterniflora* salt marsh in China increased from 18,186 tons in 1981 to 1,706,126 ton in 2004 and CO<sub>2</sub> fixed by the *S. alterniflora* vegetation per year increased from 29,619 ton to 2,778,707 tons (Wan et al. 2009).
- *S. alterniflora* can increase organic matter in soil. After enclosing *S. alterniflora* meadows, The *S. alterniflora* marsh can be used for farmland.

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#### 4.4 Some good practices from utilization of *S. alterniflora* in China

- Use *Spartina spp.* as **green manure** to increase crop production (by **33%** for rice, **29%** for cotton in Zhejiang)
- Use *Spartina spp.* as **fodders** for sheep, as **feed** for chicken, pig and fish or for grazing sheep, hence reducing production costs and rapid increasing body of the domestic animals.
- Use *Spartina spp.* for **fuel and paper-making material**.
- The extracts from *Spartina spp.* have been developed as **health-care products and drinks** (e.g. beer and soft beverages)
- Use *Spartina spp.* to address the issues of **pollutants** (heavy metals, N, P) discharged from terrestrial and marine culture.

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#### 5. Current control of *Spartina spp.* in China.

##### (1) Hand removal

Although hand removal of *Spartina spp.* can be an effective technique, its widespread use is severely limited by practicality.



##### (2) Removal by machinery

This technique appears to control *Spartina* infestations by reducing seed production and weakening the plant by depleting root and rhizome energy reserves

##### (3) Herbicide

Use wide spectrum herbicide-glyphosate and BC-08 (developed by China) to kill *Spartina spp.*, but this method also produced negative effects on other organisms and environment. Hence this method was not recommended in China

##### (4) Biological Control

The most promising biocontrol agent appears to be a *Homopteran* plant hopper (*Prokelisia marginata*) that feeds on the vascular fluids of *Spartina* species and proved to be effective biological agent for *Spartina* species in USA.

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#### 6. Management of *Spartina spp.* by Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection (MEP)

(1) MEP has developed a regulation of invasive alien species and plan to issue it in this year

This regulation emphasized the necessity and procedures for risk assessment, monitoring, regular investigation, information collection, control and removal of invasive alien species which have been or will be introduced into natural ecosystems.

(2) MEP has issued a national invasive alien species list two times, including *Spartina* species, to provide guide for their investigation in natural ecosystem, especially in nature reserves.

(3) MEP funded related domestic organizations to conduct scientific researches into effects of *Spartina* species on local biodiversity.

(4) MEP conducted publicity activity and training workshops for the environmental protection authorities at provincial level to increase their awareness of and update knowledge for the risks associated with invasive alien species.

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## The influences of invasive alien species *Spartina alterniflora* on biodiversity in

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## 1、 The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in China



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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in China

The *Spartina alterniflora* spread from the Yingkou, Liaoning Province to Beihai, Guangxi Province in China. And the areas of *Spartina alterniflora* increased from 8 hm<sup>2</sup> in 1985 to 34178 hm<sup>2</sup> in 2005.

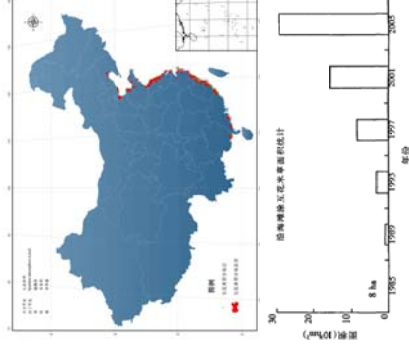


图 2 沿海滩涂互花米草蔓延面积 (hm<sup>2</sup>) 统计结果

Fig. 2 The area(hm<sup>2</sup>) of smooth cordgrass by remote sensing

Zhang et al. 2010

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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in China

Tab.3 The area and proportion of *S. alterniflora* in tidal flats of China

地区 Region	互花米草种群 <i>S. alterniflora</i> population 面积 Area (hm <sup>2</sup> )	比例 Proportion (%)
辽宁 Liaoning	0	0.00%
河北 Hebei	241	0.70%
天津 Tianjin	570	1.67%
山东 Shandong	564	1.65%
江苏 Jiangsu	17842	52.20%
上海 Shanghai	5336	15.61%
浙江 Zhejiang	5092	14.90%
福建 Fujian	3932	11.50%
广东 Guangdong	349	1.02%
广西 Guangxi	251	0.74%
全国 Total	34178	100.00%

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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in north China

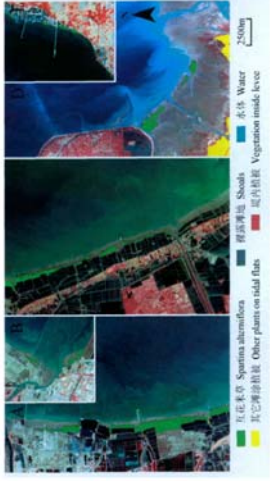


图 5 北方沿海一带互花米草种群的空间分布图。A: 天津地区; B: 北戴河口; C: 滦河口。

The *Spartina alterniflora* mainly distributed in Dagang in Tianjin, and mainly distributed in Huangye county in Hebei province, and mainly distributed in Dongying in Shandong province.

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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in Jiangsu

More than half area of *Spartina alterniflora* in China distributed in Jiangsu province, after it was cultivated in 1982. *Spartina alterniflora* spread from Sheyang to Dongtai.

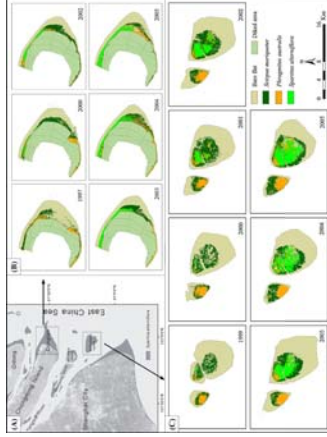


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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in Shanghai

*Spartina alterniflora* was first found in 1995 in Shanghai, and it distributed in the ChaomingDao and Jiuduansha, and the total areas were 5336hm<sup>2</sup>.



Distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* (A) and its range expansion in Dongtan (B) and Jiuduansha (C) marshlands, the Yangtze River estuary, China. ( Li et al. 2009)

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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in Zhejiang

In 1993, the *Spartina alterniflora* was introduced in Zhejiang province. It spread from Hangzhou Bay to Aojiang, and after twenty years, the area of its increased to 5092hm<sup>2</sup>. And the most *Spartina alterniflora* distributed in Leqing county, and almost occupied 77% in the all province.

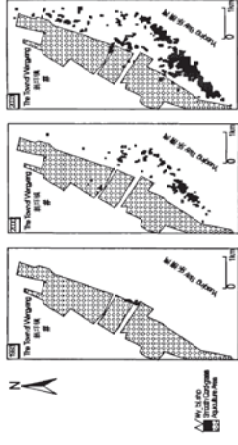


Fig.1 Changing *Spartina alterniflora* along the Zhejiang Coast

Liu and Li, 2007

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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in Fujian

In 1979, *Spartina alterniflora* was introduced in Luoyuan coast, in Fujian province. And this site is the first introduce sites in China.

Most *Spartina alterniflora* distribute in Luoyuan coast, Sandou coast and Funing coast in Fujian province.

The areas of *Spartina alterniflora* increased to 3856.3 hm<sup>2</sup> in 2006, in Luoyuan coast Fujian Province.

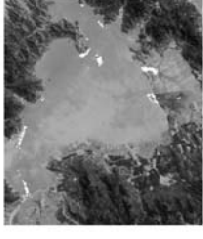


图3 罗源湾2006年互花米草分布范围

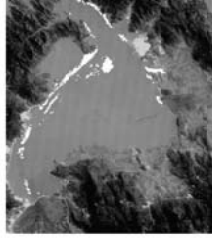


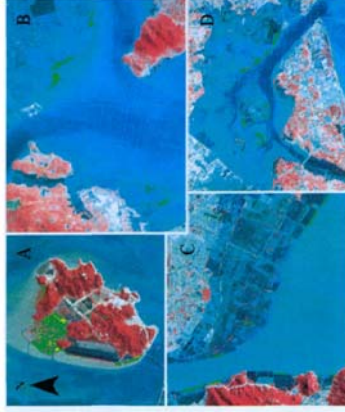
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莆田仙游海坛互花米草分布范围

Pan et al. 2009

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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in Guangdong

The areas of *Spartina alterniflora* in Guangdong province is 349hm<sup>2</sup>, and mainly distributed in Qiaodao.



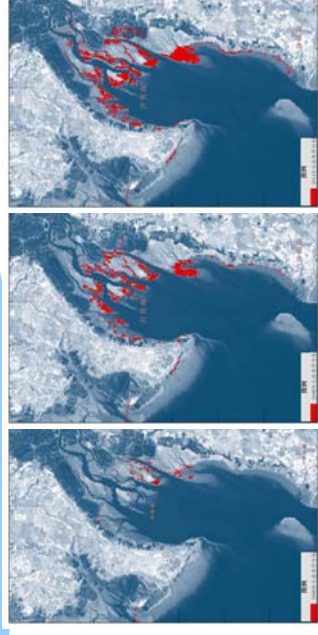
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## The distribution of *Spartina alterniflora* in Guangxi

1999年、2008年、2011年广西丹兜海互花米草分布

In 1979, *Spartina alterniflora* was introduced in Guangxi province, up to 2011, the area increased to 357.2hm<sup>2</sup>, and mainly distributed in Dandouhai.



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## Conclusion

Up to now, *Spartina alterniflora* distributed in most of the coastline in China, and rapidly spread in some region.



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## 2、 The influences of invasive alien species *Spartina alterniflora* on biodiversity

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- The influences of invasive alien species *Spartina alterniflora* on microorganism
- The influences of invasive alien species *Spartina alterniflora* on macrobenthonic invertebrates
- The influences of invasive alien species *Spartina alterniflora* on plant

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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the microorganism

The soil microbial biomass in inter-tidal zone increased more with the growth of *S. alterniflora* comparing with the barren tidal flat. The community components may be more complicated in *Spartina* salt marshes with the dominant components activities in microbial physiological function group.

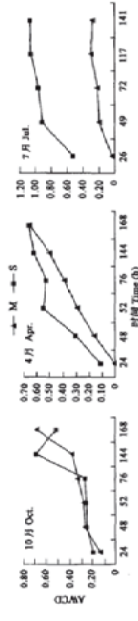


图2 互花米草盐沼(S)及光滩(M)土壤微生物CLPP反应AWCD值变化比较  
Fig.2 AWCD of soil microbial community level physiological profiles in different sampling seasons in *Spartina* salt marshes (S) and mudflat (M)

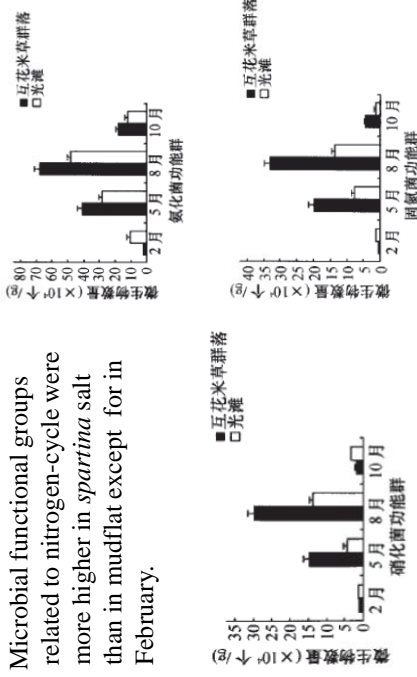
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### The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the microorganism

Microbial functional groups related to nitrogen-cycle were more higher in *spartina* salt than in mudflat except for in February.

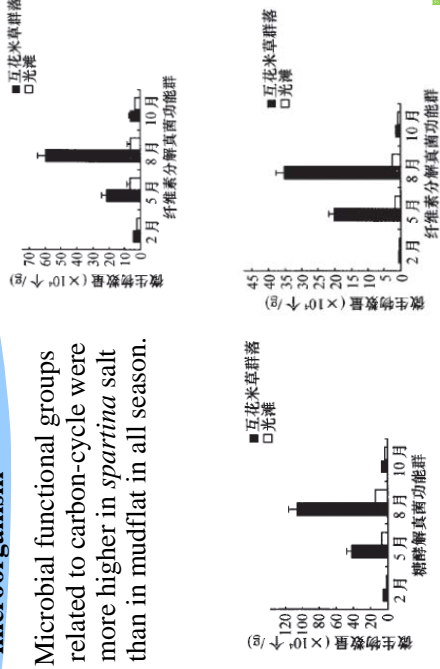


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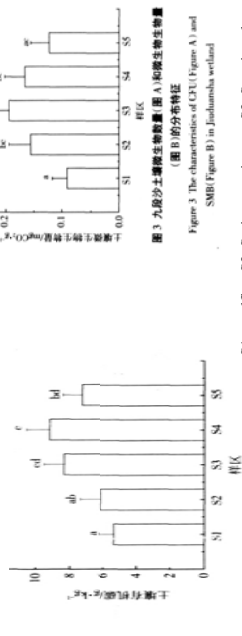
Microbial functional groups related to carbon-cycle were more higher in *spartina* salt than in mudflat in all season.



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### The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the microorganism

*Spartina alterniflora* can increase the concentration of soil organic carbon as well as the soil microbial activities.

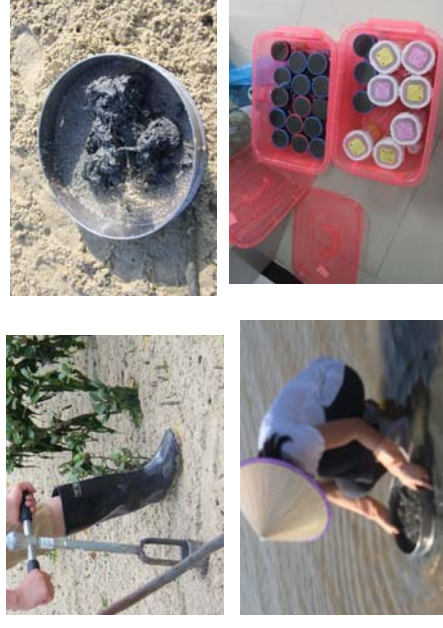


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S1: mudflat; S2: *Scirpus maritimus*; S3: *Spartina alterniflora*; S4: *Sp. + Ph.*; S5: *Phragmites australis*

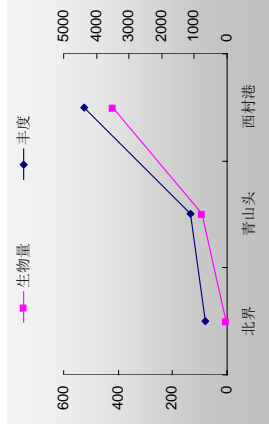
### The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates



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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates

The density and biomass of macrobenthonic invertebrates was impacted by the *spartina alterniflora* during different invaded stage in Beihai, Guangxi Province. And in the newest invaded stage, the abundance was highest.



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Xie et al. 2008

## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates

The density of macrobenthonic invertebrates in *Spartina alterniflora* was distinguished higher than *Phragmites australis*, but the biomass is different based on the invaded years of *S. alterniflora*.

表 2 大型底栖动物的密度和生物量  
Tab. 2 Density and biomass of macrobenthos

样地	密度 (ind. m <sup>-2</sup> )	生物量 (g. m <sup>-2</sup> )	样本容量 (n)
HH-B	257.94 ± 9.79 <sup>a</sup>	45.03 ± 1.72 <sup>a</sup>	10
LS-B	150.94 ± 5.70 <sup>a</sup>	26.73 ± 1.06 <sup>a</sup>	10
HH-D	156.86 ± 6.46 <sup>a</sup>	28.76 ± 1.65 <sup>a</sup>	10
LS-D	145.16 ± 5.98 <sup>a</sup>	29.18 ± 2.04 <sup>a</sup>	10

平均数后字母不同表示二者差异显著  $P < 0.01$  (LSD 多重比较校正)。

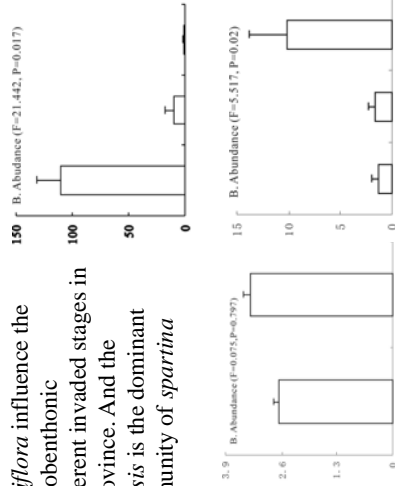
表 3 崇明东滩大型底栖动物的物种多样性  
Tab. 3 Species diversity of macrobenthos community at Chongming Dongtan

样地	多样性指数			
	S	N	D	H'
HH-B	16	257	2.70	0.89
LS-B	12	151	2.19	0.84
HH-D	12	157	2.18	0.88
LS-D	14	145	2.61	0.87

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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates

The *spartina alterniflora* influence the community of macrobenthonic invertebrates in different invaded stages in Beihai, Guangxi Province. And the *glaucome chinensis* is the dominant species in the community of *spartina alterniflora*.



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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates

The study of Zhang found the abundance of *glaucome chinensis* increased in the *Scripus mariqueter* than *Spartina alterniflora* in all season, but in the high elevation area the density of *glaucome chinensis* is higher in *Spartina alterniflora*, but contrary in the lower elevation areas.

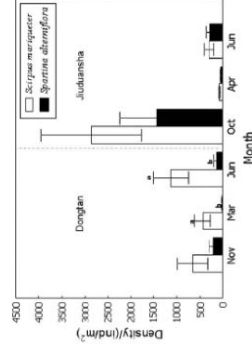


Fig. 3. Density of *Glaucome chinensis* at the lower marshes of Dongtan and Jiuduansha in three sampling seasons. Different letters above bars (A and B) indicate significant differences between plant species at each sampling site and in each season ( $P < 0.05$ ).

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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates

The mean total density of macrobenthonic invertebrates in *Scirpus marqueti* and *Spartina alterniflora* communities was not significantly different between the two communities. However, the *S. alterniflora* change the abundance of five species.

**Table 2 – Five species of macrobenthonic invertebrates that were significantly affected by *Spartina alterniflora* invasions, and their mean density in native (*Scirpus marqueti*) and invaded communities**

Toxa	Mean density (individuals m <sup>-2</sup> )	
	<i>Scirpus</i>	<i>Spartina</i>
Gastropoda		
<i>Aesiminea violacea</i>	1351 ± 181	2086 ± 225
<i>Assiminea lutea</i>	249 ± 57	108 ± 36
<i>Cerithidea sinensis</i>	211 ± 41	81 ± 21
<i>Stenodyna glabra</i>	332 ± 83	54 ± 16
Lamelibranchia		
<i>Glaucomya chinensis</i>	163 ± 45	49 ± 12

All the differences between two plant communities are significant at P < 5% level (data extracted from Chen et al., 2005).

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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the macrobenthonic invertebrates

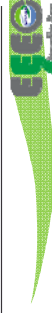
Ten macrobenthos species were found in the *Spartina* salt marsh, and 36 species were found in the mudflat. And only three species were found both in the *Spartina* salt marsh and the mudflat. This suggested that the species composition has been obviously changed.

**Table 3 – Components of macrobenthos community in the *Spartina* salt marsh and the mudflat.**

	Spartina salt marsh		Mudflat		Total
Coelenterate	0	2	0	0	2
Echinoderm	0	0	1	0	1
Brachiopod	0	1	1	0	1
Annelid	1	3	7	1	7
Mollusk	3	16	16	0	19
Crustacean	5	0	0	2	12
Fish	1	0	0	0	1
Total (no. of species)	10	36	3	3	43

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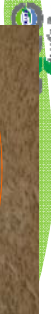
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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant - mangroves



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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant - mangroves



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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant - mangroves

*Spartina alterniflora* can impact the soil environmental, and change the community of microorganism and macrobenthonic invertebrates, and then control the spread of aerial roots of mangroves.

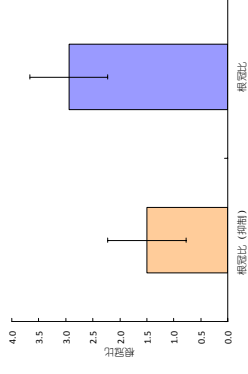


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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant - mangroves

The ratio of aerial roots and crown of mangroves can be distinguished impacted by the *spartina alterniflora* ( $P=0.048$ ) in Beihai, Guangxi.



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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant - native herbage



Replacing *Phragmites* communities



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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant - native herbage

The competitive dominance of *S. alterniflora* was shown in the conditions with the highest salinity, sand and full immersion, whereas *Phragmites australis* showed competitive dominance under the conditions with lowest salinity and non-immersion.

Table 1 – Summary of competitive balance between *Spartina alterniflora* and *Phragmites australis* based on the values of RNE, as affected by the growing conditions (modified from Wang et al., 2006b)

Factors manipulated	Treatments used	Competitive outcome
Salinity	0%	<i>Phragmites</i> > <i>Spartina</i> , <i>Phragmites</i> = <i>Spartina</i> , <i>Phragmites</i> < <i>Spartina</i>
	15%	<i>Phragmites</i> < <i>Spartina</i>
	30%	<i>Phragmites</i> < <i>Spartina</i>
Sediment type	Sand	<i>Phragmites</i> < <i>Spartina</i>
	Clay	<i>Phragmites</i> = <i>Spartina</i>
Waterlogging	Mix	<i>Phragmites</i> = <i>Spartina</i>
	Non-immersion	<i>Phragmites</i> > <i>Spartina</i>
	Half-immersion	<i>Phragmites</i> = <i>Spartina</i>
	Full-immersion	<i>Phragmites</i> < <i>Spartina</i>

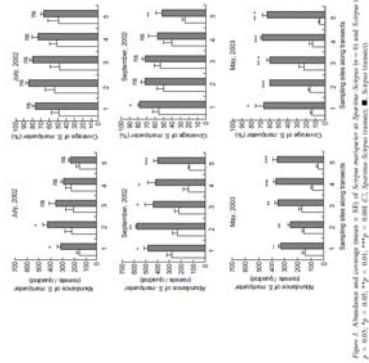
Li et al. 2009

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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant – native herbage

In July 2002, the abundance and coverage of *S. maritima* between *Spartina-Scirpus* transect and *Scirpus* transect were not significantly different (except the abundance at sites 1 and 2). In September 2002, the abundance of *S. maritima* on *Spartina-Scirpus* transect was significantly lower than that in *Scirpus* transect at all sites, but their coverage were not significantly different). As a result, the abundance and coverage of *S. maritima* significantly decreased on the *Spartina-Scirpus* transect, compared with those on the *Scirpus* transect at all sites .



Chen et al. 2004

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## The impacts of *Spartina alterniflora* on the plant – native herbage

The reduction in abundance of *S. maritima* due to *S. alterniflora*'s competition resulted in the reduced seed production (except at site 1) and corm pool size of *S. maritima* (except at site 2).

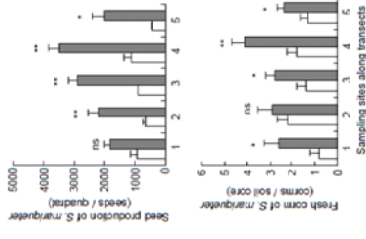


Figure 6. Seed production (sampled in November 2002) and fresh corms (sampled in November 2003) of *S. maritima* in *Spartina-Scirpus* (seed, n = 3; corm, n = 10) and *Scirpus* transect (seed, n = 3; corm, n = 10). ns, p > 0.05; \*p < 0.05; \*\*p < 0.01; \*\*\*p < 0.001 (□, *Spartina-Scirpus* transect; ■, *Scirpus* transect).

Chen et al. 2004

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## Conclusions

- *Spartina alterniflora* had significantly larger sizes of carbon and nitrogen stocks, and so increased the microorganisms density and biomass.
- Density and biomass of macrobenthonic invertebrates were different with the invaded time of *Spartina alterniflora* , and the species composition and dominant species of macrobenthonic invertebrates can be altered by *Spartina alterniflora*.
- *Spartina alterniflora* invasion interrupted natural succession of plant communities, and especially the unstable ecosystems can be destroyed by *Spartina alterniflora*, such as mangroves.

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## China's Response to Marine Invasive Species from the Legal Perspective and Challenges Review

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## Outline

- Status of marine invasive species in China
- Management system to counter with marine invasive species in china
- China's response to relevant international conventions and rules
- China's legislation about marine invasive species prevention
- Legislation assessment in the field of marine invasive species prevention
- Challenges for marine invasive species legislation and management regime
- Suggestions for marine invasive species legislations and management regime reform

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## What is marine invasive species?

Marine eco-security



Resource from:  
<http://www.great-lakes.net/env/floora>

Marine bio-invasion



Resource from :  
<http://tieba.baidu.com/f?kz=683662693>

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## Status of marine invasive species in China(1)



China's coastline: 18 000 km

3 semi-closed sea: Yellow Sea, East China sea, South China Sea

Invasive species: 400 categories  
(data from Ministry of Agriculture)  
Most threatening species: 50  
categories (from Global Invasive Species Database)

Marine invasive species: more than one hundred categories

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## Status of marine invasive species in china(2)

Serial No.	Name of Invasive Alien Species	Origins	Carried by vessel/ ballast water
1	<i>Proocentrum minimum</i>	From coastline of North America	
2	<i>P. Signatipes</i>		
3	<i>Percecnium halictum</i>		
4	<i>Alexandrium catenella</i>		
5	<i>Scirripoda trochilidea</i>		
6	<i>Peridinium perardiforme</i>		
7	<i>Chaetoceros concentricornis</i>	From North America	
8	<i>Cylindrotheca closterium</i>		
9	<i>Melosira cancellata</i>		
10	<i>Nitzschia Delicatissima</i>		
11	<i>Pinnularia</i>		
12	<i>Spartina alterniflora</i>	From North Carolina, Florida and Georgia in US.	Intentionally introduced
13	<i>Spartina anglica</i>	U.K.	

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## Status of marine invasive species in china(3)

Serial No.	Name of Invasive Alien Species	Origins	Type
14	<i>Hydrobia elegans</i>	unknown	Bio-fouling on the vessels
15	<i>Mytilopsis sallei</i>	From central America	
16	<i>Crepidula onyx</i>	From central America	
17	<i>Balanus chiroreus</i>	unknown	
18	<i>B. improvisus</i>	unknown	
19	<i>B. amphiteric</i>	unknown	
20	BRYOZOA Types	Europe, America	
21	<i>Chama intestinalis</i>	unknown	
22	<i>Molgula manihardensis</i>	From North America, coastline of Pacific ocean	
23	<i>Sphaerium walkeri</i>	From North Indian Ocean	
24	<i>Styela campus</i>	From North America, coastline of Pacific ocean	

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## Management system to counter with marine invasive species in China

Ministry of Agriculture

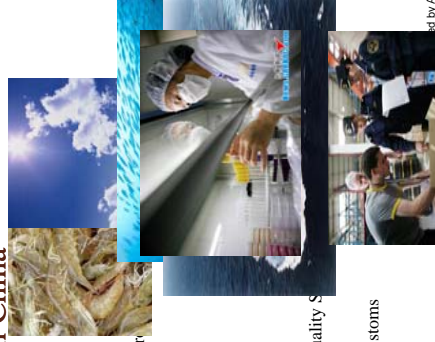
Ministry of Environmental Protection

State Oceanic Administration

Ministry of Transport

General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Testing

General Administration of Customs



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## China's response to relevant international conventions and rules (1)

International conventions	Status	China
Biological Diversity Convention	In force	ratified
Cartegena Protocol on Biological Safety	In force	ratified
United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea	In force	ratified
Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat (Ramsar Convention on Wetlands)	In force	ratified
International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships	In force	ratified
International Convention for the Control and management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments	Yet in force	Not ratified
Convention on the Law of Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses	Yet in force	Not ratified

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## China's response to relevant international conventions and rules (2)

### Soft laws:

- Rio Declaration on Environment and Development(1992)
- Agenda 21(1992)
- IMO Resolutions

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## China's legislation about marine invasive species prevention

### Laws

Marine Environment Protection Law (2000)  
Fisheries Law of People's Republic of China(2004)  
Frontier Health and Quarantine Law (2007)

### Administrative regulations

Regulation on the Prevention and Control of Vessel-induced Pollution to the Marine Environment(2009)

### Divisional rules

Rules for the Implementation of Frontier Health and Quarantine Law(2010)

### Local regulations

Regulations on the Prevention and control Vessel-induced Pollution to the Marine Environment of Zhuhai (2001)

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## Legislation assessment in the field of marine invasive species prevention(1)

Marine Environment Protection Law(2000)

Art. 25: The introduction of marine biological species shall subject to scientific assessment to avoid damages to marine ecosystems.

- ✓What is "introduction" of marine biological species?
- ✓Who is entitled to such an introduction?
- ✓ How to organize the scientific assessment?
- ✓ How is the effectiveness of the scientific assessment?

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## Legislation assessment in the field of marine invasive species prevention(2)

Fisheries Law of People's Republic of China(2004)

Art. 6: the department of fishery administration under the State Council shall be in charge of the administration of fisheries throughout the country.

Art. 17: Quarantine must be executed for the import and export of aquatic fingerlings so as to prevent disease from passing into or out of the territory.

Department of fishery administration under the State Council manages the and controls invasive species on the premise of fishery development.

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## Legislation assessment in the field of marine invasive species prevention(3)

Frontier Health and Quarantine Law (2007)

Art. 1: This law is formulated in order to prevent infectious diseases from spreading into or out of the country, to carry out frontier health and quarantine inspection and to protect human health.

The management is from the perspective of health protection.

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## Legislation assessment in the field of marine invasive species prevention(4)

Regulation on the Prevention and Control of Vessel-induced Pollution to the Marine Environment(2009)

Art. 15 The ships that discharge ship garbage, daily sewage, oily sewage, sewage that contains poisonous substance, exhaust gas and other pollutants and ballast shall comply with laws, regulations and relevant standards and the relevant international conventions ratified or acceded by China.

Whether ballast water is considered as kind of pollution?

If not, there is no detailed management provisions about ballast water.

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## Challenges for marine invasive species legislation and management regime(1)

- Lack of comprehensive legislation about prevention from marine invasive species.
- The management system in charge of prevention from marine invasive species is appointed from the perspective of industry development .
- Ecosystem-based management is not considered in management liability distribution

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## Challenges for marine invasive species legislation and management regime(2)

- Prevention mechanism is not specific to different invasive channels
- Lack of responsibility provisions
- Lack of public attention on the issue

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### Suggestions for marine invasive species legislations and management regime reform(1)

- Comprehensive legislation about prevention and control of marine invasive species is necessary.
- The aim of the legislation is not only the protection of industry development and human health, but also the protection about biological diversity and biological safety.

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### Suggestions for marine invasive species legislations and management regime reform(2)

- Management regime should be arranged in accordance with the features of marine ecosystem.
- Fund institution and other prevention tools could be considered along with responsibility provisions.
- Public awareness should be enhanced.

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# Basic Surveys for International Convention for the control and management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments

Regional Workshop on Marine Invasive Species Problems in Northwest Pacific Region  
23-24 Oct. 2012,  
Qingdao, China  
Ministry of Environment  
Office of Marine Environment

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## Exemption of the BMW Convention in the Japan-KOR route

**BMW Convention Regulation A-4**  
A Party or Parties, in waters under their jurisdiction, may grant exemptions to any requirements to apply regulations B-3 or C-1, in addition to those exemptions contained elsewhere in this Convention, but only when they are... granted based on the Guidelines on risk assessment developed by the Organization (G7). From FY 2012, the discussion is expected to proceed to the conclusion of a treaty on Japan-KOR route.

### BMW Convention G7

1. Environmental matching risk assessment: Compare environmental conditions between donor and recipient ports/regions
2. Species' biogeographical risk assessment: Compare biogeographical distributions of nonindigenous, cryptogenic, and harmful native species that presently exist in the donor and recipient ports and biogeographic regions
3. Species-specific risk assessment: Compare individual species characteristics with environmental conditions in the recipient port, to determine the likelihood of transfer and survival

The organism survey (basic surveys for the BMW Convention) was conducted in FY 2011 and 2012 at harbours handling a large amount of cargo with ROK

Target Harbours	1 <sup>st</sup> Survey	2 <sup>nd</sup> Survey	Survey Date
Yokohama Port	2011 Dec. 27	2012 Jan. 31	
Nagoya Port	2011 Dec. 21	2012 Feb. 4	
Mizushima Port	2011 Dec. 20	2012 Feb. 2	
Chiba Port	2011 Dec. 14	2012 Feb. 0	



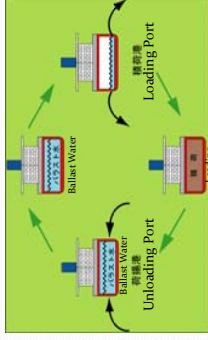
Ref: Harbours handling a large amount of cargo (Export+Import) with ROK (top 5 in FY 1996)

Harbour	Export (ton)	Import (ton)	Export+Import (ton)
Yokohama	3,260,075	1,381,040	4,641,113
Nagoya	2,422,550	1,056,809	4,118,359
Mizushima	2,506,350	748,673	3,055,023
Chiba	1,852,731	1,057,689	2,910,420
Fukuoka	2,631,026	91,246	2,722,272

## Prevention of Harmful Aquatic Organisms and Pathogen in Ballast Water (International Convention for the control and management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, - BMW Convention)

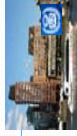
### What is Ballast Water?

Ballast water is seawater to be mounted to ensure the safety and security of the ship after it emptied its load. Ballast water is often pumped-in at the departing place of the ship and discharged at the destination. In recent years, it has been suggested that ballast water may cause destruction of marine and coastal ecosystems and damages to fisheries. (It has been reported that native species have been reduced by predatory behavior of alien species in Sagami Bay, Osaka Bay and Hakata Bay and others).



### Adoption of the BMW Convention

Following adoption of the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments (BMW Convention) in 2004, which aims to prevent marine ecosystem disturbance by organisms in a ship's ballast water. Basic information has been collected to effectuate the convention.



**daphnia**  
N. Asia - W. Europe, Baltic Sea, and West Coast of USA,  
- Fishing interference due to breeding

**undaria**  
N. Asia - S. America West Coast of USA, and Europe  
- Ecosystem destruction, algal bloom, shellfish aquaculture

**erctochoir**  
N. Asia - W. Europe, Baltic Sea, and West Coast of USA,  
- Damage to ecosystem

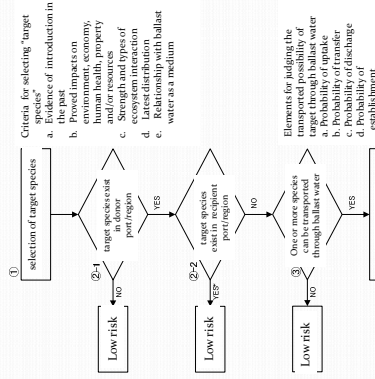
**Vibrio cholerae**  
? - S. America and Gulf of Mexico.  
- In 1991, 7 mil. people died in Bangladesh and no one died in ref. IMO

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### Organisms which give environmental impacts

## Risk Assessment based on the BMW Convention (G7)

Assessment	Outline
Environmental matching risk assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare environmental conditions including temperature and salinity between donor and recipient ports/regions</li> <li>Assess if the species in ballast water could survive in recipient ports/regions when released, in consideration of similarity in key environmental conditions between the two ports/regions (donor and recipient)</li> </ul>
Species' biogeographical risk assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare inhabiting non-indigenous and cryptogenic species in between donor and recipient ports/regions</li> <li>High similarity means that habitat environment of the two ports/regions are similar</li> <li>Assess if the species in ballast water could survive in recipient ports/regions when released</li> <li>Assess if individual species in donor ports/regions could survive in recipient ports/regions when released</li> </ul>
Species-specific risk assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assess if individual species in donor ports/regions could survive in recipient ports/regions when released</li> </ul>



### Flow chart of risk assessment (draft)

Even if target species exist in the recipient port/region, it is judged as 'Low risk' if appropriate countermeasures are taken.

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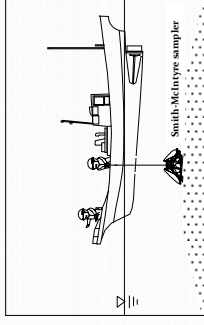
## Basic Surveys for the BWM Convention

### Survey Method

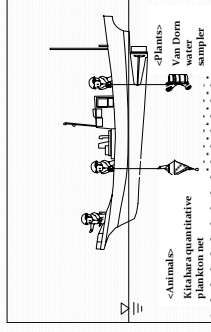
- **Survey Item**
  - Water quality and Bottom sediment quality (nutrient load, COD, etc.)
  - Organisms (macrobenthos, metobenthos, phyto/zoo-plankton)

### • Survey Method

- Water Quality ... surface layer (0.5 m below the surface), intermediate layer (1/2 water depth), bottom layer (1 m above the bottom)
- Bottom Layer ... Smith - McIntyre sampler
- Organisms
  - Macrobenthos ... 0.5 mm and bigger
  - Metobenthos ... 0.04 mm and bigger and smaller than 0.5 mm
  - Phytoplankton... sampling at 3 layers of water quality
  - Zooplankton
    - Survey (2 layers) ... 1 m from the surface and 1 m above the seabed
    - and Survey (2 layers) ... 1 m from the surface and just above the sea bottom



Bottom Sampling System



Phyto-/zoo-plankton Sampling Method

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## Basic Surveys for the BWM Convention

### Survey in FY 2011

- Different organisms exist between quays next to each other

### Survey in FY 2012

- Risk of organism introduction through ballast water
  - Importance of identifying biota at the front area of loading quays where ballast water is discharged
  - Existence of different organisms between quays next to each other
  - Increase of survey numbers at the front area of loading quays
- Conducting seasonal surveys in consideration of seasonal variation of the biota
- Conducting survey twice a day (at low and high tides) in consideration of the impacts of tides which significantly affect the water mass movement in the coastal area where ports are located
- Day/Night samplings
- Survey of biota at places in different distances from the quays

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Preparing the regional report  
for conservation of marine biodiversity  
and  
sustainable use of marine ecosystem services  
in the NOWPAP region

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## Objective

To contribute to policy planning for marine biodiversity conservation in the NOWPAP member states

Regional Report:

- to provide useful information for policy planning on marine biodiversity conservation in each member state
- to contribute to promotion of the future marine biodiversity conservation in the NOWPAP region

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## Main Tasks

1. Collecting information on existing MPAs and other related issues in the NOWPAP region
2. Analyzing the status of MPAs in the NOWPAP region
3. Organizing a workshop to discuss possibility of applying other concepts for marine biodiversity conservation to the NOWPAP region
4. Preparing a regional report

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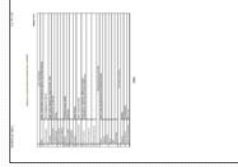
## 1. Collecting information on existing MPAs and other related issues in the NOWPAP region

- 1.1 Collecting basic information on MPAs in the NOWPAP region
- 1.2 Collecting information on the monitoring and management status in selected MPAs in the member states

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## Number and Location of MPAs in the NOWPAP region

Total 278 MPAs are registered in the DINRAC MPA Database (China: 84 (2), Japan: 99 (34), Korea: 30, Russia: 65 (22))



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### 1.1 Collecting basic information on MPAs in the NOWPAP region

## Number and area of MPAs in the NOWPAP region

(not including MPAs in inland and out of the NOWPAP region)

Country	Number of MPAs	Area (hectares) of MPAs
China	82	2,568,483
Japan	65	412,904
Korea	30	549,867
Russia	43	922,921
<b>Total</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>4,454,139</b>

2% of the entire NOWPAP region

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1.1 Collecting basic information on MPAs in the NOWPAP region

## The IUCN Protected Area Management Categories

Category of protected area	Primary objective
Ia Strict nature reserve	To conserve regionally, nationally or globally outstanding ecosystems, species (occurrences or aggregations) and/or biodiversity features; these attributes will have been identified as being of outstanding value by non-human forces and will be degraded or destroyed to all but a very light human impact.
Ib Wilderness area	To protect the long-term ecological integrity of natural areas that are undisturbed by significant human activity, free of modern infrastructure and where natural forces and processes predominate, so that current and future generations have the opportunity to experience such areas.
II National park	To protect natural biodiversity along with its underlying ecological structure and supporting environmental processes, and to promote education and recreation.
III Natural monument of feature	To protect specific outstanding natural features and their associated biodiversity and habitat.
IV Habitat and species management area	To maintain, conserve and restore species and habitats.
V Protected landscape and seascape	To protect and sustain important landscapes/seascape and the associated nature conservation and other values created by interactions with humans through traditional management practices.
VI Protected area with sustainable use of natural resources	To protect natural ecosystems and use natural resources sustainably, when conservation and sustainable use can be mutually beneficial.

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## Relation of IUCN categories and MPAs in the NOWPAP member states

IUCN categories	China	Japan	Korea	Russia
Ia	Nature Reserve	Nature Conservation Area		State Nature Reserves State Nature Partial Reserve National Park
Ib		Nature Reserve		State Nature Reserves State Nature Partial Reserves National Park National Park
II	Marine Special Reserve	Natural Park		National Park
III	Nature Reserve	Natural Monument		State Nature Reserves State Nature Partial Reserves National Park Nature Sanctuaries
IV	Nature Reserve	Natural habitat Conservation area Protected Water	Marine Ecosystem Protected Coastal Wetland Protected Area	State Nature Reserves State Nature Partial Reserves National Park
V	Nature Reserve Ocean Park	Natural Park Natural Seashore Conservation Area		State Nature Reserves State Nature Partial Reserves National Park Nature Sanctuaries
VI	Fisheries Genetic Resources Reserve	Natural Park Enhancement Area or Designated Marine Area Common Fishery Right Area Various Areas designated by Prefecture Government, Fishery cooperatives groups, or local farmers.	Environment Conservation Sea Areas	State Nature Partial Reserves National Park

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## 1.2 Collecting information on monitoring and management in the selected MPAs in the member states

Nominated experts are collecting following information

- ▶ Hydrographic condition
- ▶ Ecological characteristics
- ▶ Presence/absence of regular monitoring
- ▶ Presence/absence of the management plan
- ▶ Presence/absence of specific protected species and their conditions

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## Selected target MPAs in each member state

### China (10 MPAs)

Haiyang Qianliyan Island Marine Ecosystem Provincial Nature Reserve; Zhifu Archipelago National Marine Special Reserve; Rongcheng Bay National Fisheries Genetic Resource Reserve; Sanggou Bay Marine Creatures Country Nature Reserve; Ruzhan National Fisheries Genetic Resources Reserve; Jiaozhou Bay Wetland Provincial Marine Special Reserve; Jinshitan Seashore Geological Municipal Nature Reserve; Haizhou Bay National Ocean Park; Kongdong Islands Provincial Nature Reserve; Yancheng Rare Bird National Nature Reserve

### Japan (10 MPAs)

Danjiyo guntou islands; Breeding habitat of Streaked Shearwater and Japanese Cormorant in Awashima Island; Genkai Quasi National Park; Niseko-Shakotan-Otarukan Quasi National Park; San'in kaigan National Park; Daiseb-Okii National Park; Kanmurijima-Kutsujima National Wildlife Protected Area; Kosado Toubu National Wildlife Protected Area; Sakiyama Bay

Korea  
TBD

### Russia (8 MPAs)

Far Eastern Marine; Kurl; Lazovsky; Sikhote-Alin; Lamd of the Leopard; Tumminsky; Vostok Bay; Moneron Island

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## 2. Analyzing the status of MPAs in the NOWPAP region

- 2.1 Analysis on the status of MPAs in the NOWPAP region
  - Definition of MPA in each member state
  - Current status of MPAs in the NOWPAP region
  - Protected species in MPAs in the NOWPAP region
- 2.2 Analysis on the status of monitoring and management in the selected MPAs
  - Hydrographic condition
  - Ecological characteristic
  - Implementing status of monitoring
  - Management status on the marine environment and marine species
  - Situation of protected species

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## 3. Organizing a workshop

### Objective:

- To discuss the possibility for application of a new concept to sea area for marine biodiversity conservation and sustainable use of marine ecosystem services

**Timing:** End of 2012 or Beginning of 2013

### Expected participants

- Expert(s) of each member state
- Experts from relative international organizations

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## 3. Organizing a workshop

### Discussion points

- ▶ Current status of MPAs in the NOWPAP region
- ▶ New concepts for marine biodiversity conservation
  - Ecologically and Biologically Significant Area
  - Marine Protected Area Network
- ▶ Self-assessment on management effectiveness

### Expected outputs

- ▶ Potential new concepts for the NOWPAP region
- ▶ Possibility of self-assessment on management effectiveness

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## 4. Preparation of regional report

### Draft table of contents

1. Introduction
2. Regional overview on existing MPAs in the NOWPAP region
  - 2-1 Situation of existing MPAs in the NOWPAP region
  - 2-2 Criteria of MPAs in the NOWPAP member states
  - 2-3 Purposes of MPAs in the NOWPAP member states
3. Monitoring and management status in the selected MPAs in the NOWPAP region
  - 3-1 Oceanic condition
  - 3-2 Monitoring status of the marine environment and marine species
  - 3-3 Management status of the marine environment and marine species
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4. New concept for marine biodiversity conservation and sustainable use of marine ecosystem services
- 4-1 Possibility on applying a concept of ecologically and biologically significant sea areas to the NOWPAP region
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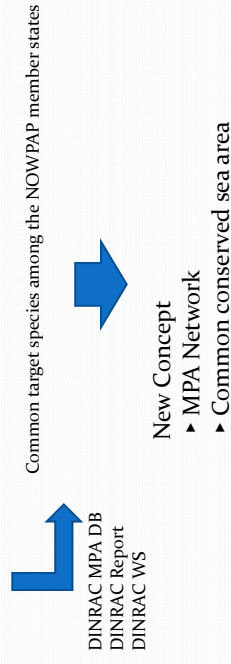
### 5. Conclusion

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1.1 Collecting basic information on MPAs in the NOWPAP region

## Other information on marine biodiversity

### Information on invasive species, endemic species and endangered species in MPAs of each member state



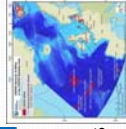
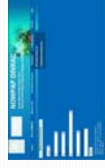
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## Expected outcome

- ▶ Useful information for policy makers of the member states in order to enhance marine biodiversity conservation measures
- ▶ Basic concepts for marine biodiversity conservation in the NOWPAP region
- ▶ Regional Action Plan for marine biodiversity conservation

## Potential partners

- ▶ NOWPAP DINRAC
  - Database on MPAs
  - Information on Invasive species
- ▶ OSPAR
  - Experiences on designing EBSAs
  - Self-assessment on management effectiveness



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# Aquaculture & MIS in China: Status, management and policy

水产养殖和海洋外来物种：现状，管理和政策

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# Aquaculture in China

China is largest aquaculture country in the world

56 million T in 2011

Marine: 29 million T

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## Aquatic AS in China

(Fresh and Marine species)

Total: about 129 species most from aquaculture introduction

Fish: 89 (15)

(65 from foreign country)

Crustacean: 10 (7)

Shellfish: 12 (12)

Aquatic plant: 18 (5)

other: 12

(2006 Y. WANG)



Turbot 大菱鲆  
*Scophthalmus maximus*



南美白对虾 *Penaeus vannamei*

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Table 1. General descriptions of alien species introduction for aquaculture in Shandong Province

序号 No.	物种名称 Introduced species	序号 No.	物种名称 Introduced species
1	扇贝石首鱼 ( <i>Scapharca subcrenata</i> )	32	史氏鲷 ( <i>Achiganer shanhaiensis</i> Breval)
2	美国石首鱼 ( <i>Crassostrea virginica</i> )	33	精液白鲟科 ( <i>Plecotus szechuanensis</i> Borel)
3	大菱鲆 ( <i>Scophthalmus maximus</i> L.)	34	尼瓜多尔南美白鲷
4	红鳍东方鲀 ( <i>Pagrus major</i> )	35	意大利罗非鱼 ( <i>Oreochromis niloticus</i> )
5	赤尾鲷 ( <i>Acanthaluteres volitans</i> )	36	意大利罗非鱼 ( <i>O. niloticus</i> )
6	澳洲鲷科 ( <i>Pseudaluteres fuliginosus</i> )	37	天狗鲷 ( <i>Plecotus shanhaiensis</i> )
7	澳洲鲷 ( <i>Choriphetus arizonae</i> )	38	天狗鲷 (2种) 天狗鲷 ( <i>P. szechuanensis</i> )
8	大牙石首鱼 ( <i>Paralichthys oblongus</i> )	39	日本对虾 ( <i>P. japonica</i> )
9	黑点石首鱼 ( <i>Conuscentrus subulatus</i> )	40	罗氏沼虾 ( <i>Macrobrachium rooseffordii</i> )
10	澳洲红尾鲷 ( <i>Sparus aurata</i> Richardson)	41	红鳟 ( <i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i> )
11	黑点石首鱼 ( <i>Paralichthys oblongus</i> )	42	红鳟 ( <i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i> )
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## Law of Marine Environment Protection, China

### Article 25:

Introduce marine Fauna and Flora species, should implement scientific assessment, and avoid damage marine ecology system.



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## Law of Wildlife Conservation

### Article 24:

The export of wildlife under special state protection or the products thereof, and the import or export of wildlife or the products thereof, whose import or export is restricted by international conventions to which China is a party, must be approved by the department of wildlife administration under the State Council or by the State Council (Fisheries or forestry Agency)

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## Regulation of Wild Plant Conservation

### Article 20:

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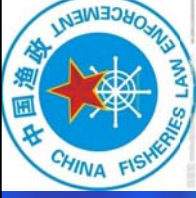
## Who manage IS , AS and IAS in China?



At first, IAS ,SEPA before 2002 (?) on bio-safety, Late, co-ordinate and adjust by State Council of China : Transfer IS duty from SEPA to Ministry of Agriculture MOA draft a regulation “China Invasion Alien Species management” now and will Promulgate or action in end 2012 or 2013

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## Who manage marine and aquatic species in China?



By law and regulation:

“Law of Fisheries, China”  
“Law of Marine Environment Protection,”  
“Law of Wildlife Conservation”  
“Regulation of Wild Plant Conservation”

Central Government:  
Ministry of Agriculture (fisheries Bureau )  
Local Government:  
Province (City, Country) Fisheries Agency

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## Why MOA, BOF

In China, According Law of fisheries and Law of Marine Environment Protection and other law:

“fisheries resources” means “aquatic biology resources (Marine and freshwater plant and animal )  
So manage fisheries means manage aquatic species.

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## Key Management Authority of Aquatic and Marine IS in China

Central Government:  
Bureau of Fisheries, MOA  
Local Government:  
Province (City, Country) Fisheries Agency  
Related Management Authority:  
Environment Agency, Marine Agency,  
Custom, Quarantine Agency .....

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## Who manage EIA in China

By Law of EIA, China  
Ministry of Environment Protection.  
How to co-ordinate EIA and aquaculture or MIS introduction?



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## Management and policy ?

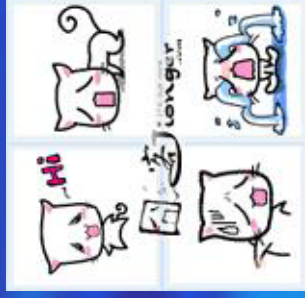
Management ?

No.

Action Plan?

Only plan,

No action



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## Recommendation

Cooperation of international and national level,

Coordination of MOA & MEP, China  
Reinforce law and regulation on aquatic alien species management

Set up institution on risk evaluating for aquatic Alien invasive species

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## Recommendation

EIA on introduce alien aquatic species for aquaculture by MEP, and participate by SOA;

Strengthen animal and plant inspection and enforcement

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Distinguish focal point and key management authority and responsibility in China, cooperation and dividing the work

Develop international cooperation, control aquatic alien invasive species

Process research input and enhance capability building

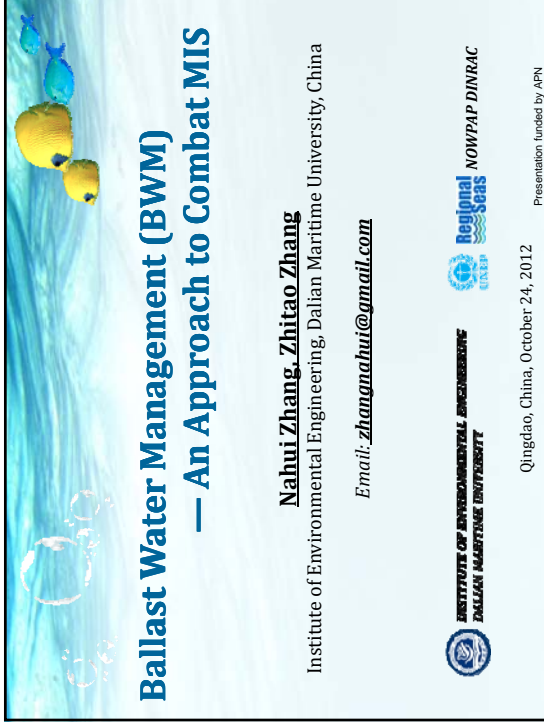
Develop education and public awareness.

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# Ballast Water Management (BWM) — An Approach to Combat MIS

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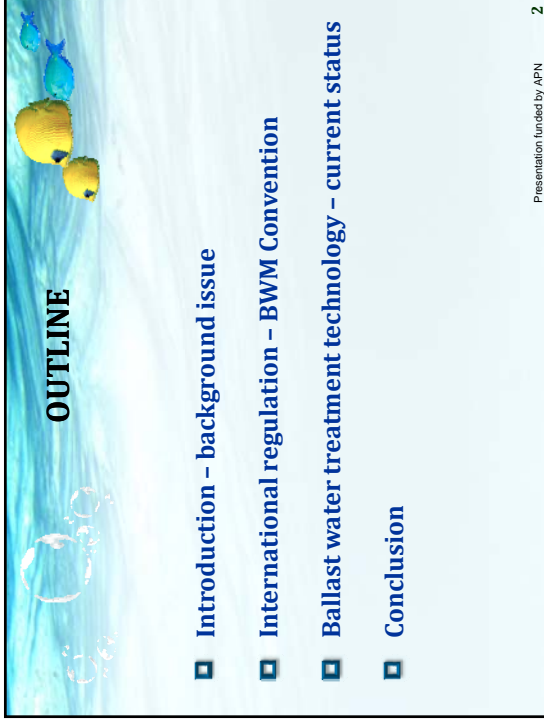


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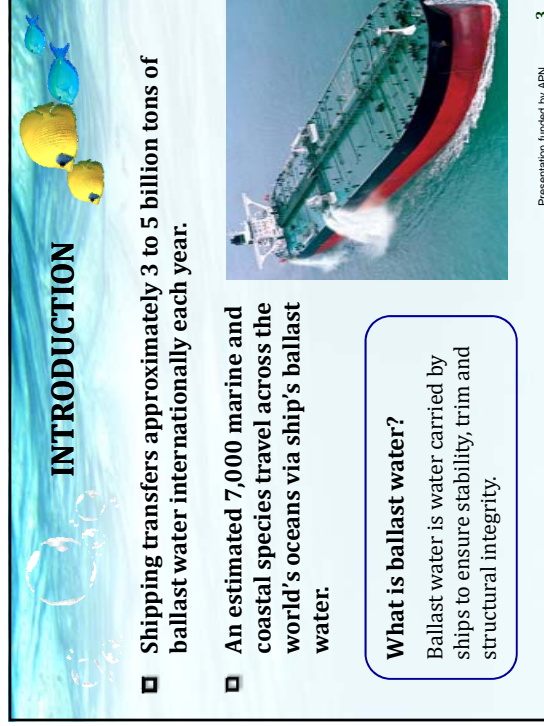
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## OUTLINE

- ❑ Introduction – background issue
- ❑ International regulation – BWM Convention
- ❑ Ballast water treatment technology – current status
- ❑ Conclusion

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## INTRODUCTION

- ❑ Shipping transfers approximately 3 to 5 billion tons of ballast water internationally each year.
- ❑ An estimated 7,000 marine and coastal species travel across the world's oceans via ship's ballast water.

**What is ballast water?**  
Ballast water is water carried by ships to ensure stability, trim and structural integrity.



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## INTRODUCTION

*The Issue*

- ❑ The introduction of marine invasive species into new environments by ships' ballast water has been identified as one of the four greatest threats to the world's oceans.
- ❑ Non-native species, if they become established, can have a serious ecological, economic and public health impact on the receiving environment.



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## INTRODUCTION

*Invasive marine alien species to the world's oceans*



**Chinese mitten crab in the coast of UK and America**



**European Zebra Mussel infested in the Great Lake**

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## INTRODUCTION



**Alexandrium minutum**  
Native country: Egypt  
Invasive country: Australia, Japan, China, North America  
Management: Periodically monitor coastal seawater plankton community.



**Gymnodinium catenatum**  
Native country: Tasmania, Liberia  
Invasive country: Mexico, New Zealand  
Management: Strengthen the detection, control, inactive and long-term management in non-invasive place.



**Scrippsiella trochoidea**  
Native country: No data found.  
Invasive country: China  
Management: Periodically monitor coastal seawater plankton community.

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## INTERNATIONAL REGULATION

- BWM Convention - the IMO adopted the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments in 2004.

**Status of 2004 BWM Convention** → As of 5 October 2012

Countries	% Tonnage	States to the Convention
Needed: 30 Current: 36	Needed: 35 Current: 29.07	Albania, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Brazil, Canada, Cook Islands, Croatia, Egypt, France, Iran, Kenya, Republic of Korea, etc.

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## IMO BWM CONVENTION TREATMENT STANDARDS

- ❑ Regulation D-1 - the Ballast Water Exchange standard
- ❑ Regulation D-2 - the Ballast Water Treatment Performance standard

**REGULATION D-2**

Organism group	Regulation D-2
Plankton, > 50 µm in minimum dimension	< 10 cells/m <sup>3</sup>
Plankton, 10-50 µm	< 10 cells/ml
Bacterioidae coli	< 250 cfu/100 ml
Intestinal enterococci	< 100 cfu/100 ml
Vibrio cholerae	< 1 cfu/100 ml

Note: cfu = colony forming unit.

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## IMO BWM CONVENTION COMPLIANCE TIMEFRAME

### IMO BWM Convention Implementation Schedule

Ballast Capacity (m <sup>3</sup> )	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
< 1,500	< 2009	D-1 or D-2								D-2*
in 2009	Note: D-1; D-2 by 2 <sup>nd</sup> annual but not beyond 31 Dec. 2011 or EIF, whichever is later									
> 2009	D-2 (at delivery or EIF, whichever is later)									
< 2009	D-1 or D-2									
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< 2012	D-1 or D-2									
≥ 2012	D-2 (at delivery or EIF, whichever is later)									
> 5,000	N/A									

Note: EIF = Entry into force;  
 \* First Intermediate or Renewal Survey, whichever occurs first, after the anniversary date of delivery in the respective year.

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## BW TREATMENT TECHNOLOGIES

Two generic types of process technology used in ballast water treatment: **SOLID-LIQUID SEPARATION** and **DISINFECTION**.

Physical solid-liquid separation

Treatment:

- Hydrocyclone
- Surface filtration

Chemical enhancement:

- Coagulation / Flocculation

Disinfection

Chemical treatment:

- Chlorination
- Ozonation
- AOP
- Chlorine dioxide

Or:

Physical:

- UV irradiation
- Deoxygenation
- Cavitation

Residual control:

- Chemical reduction

Physical enhancement:

- Ultrasonic
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- Cavitation

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## TECHNICAL INFORMATION FOR BWMS

AOP TECHNOLOGY

**Methods:** Filtration + ·OH (AOP)

**Approval Status:** Basic Approval for Active Substances, March 2012

**Operational Notes:**

- During ballasting - 50 µm self-cleaning automatic filter + ·OH unit
- During de-ballasting - Neutralization

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## TECHNICAL INFORMATION FOR BWMS

### ELECTROLYSIS TECHNOLOGY

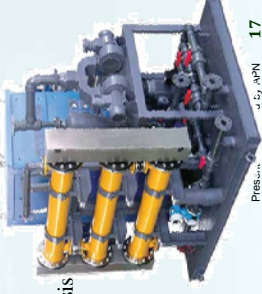
**Methods:** Filtration + electrolysis (sodium hypochlorite)

**Approval Status:** Final Approval for Active Substances, October 2010  
Type Approval, March 2011, China (BalClor™ System)

### Operational Notes:

During ballasting - 50 µm filter + electrolysis

During de-ballasting - Neutralization



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## CONCLUSIONS

- The uncertainty of the sampling and analysis method on BWMS used during port state inspection discourages shipowners from early installation before the entry into force of BWM Convention.
- The uncertainty of entry into force of the BWM Convention still remains, an early installation of BWMS will mean additional cost. The shipowners would certainly prefer a product that meets the latest requirements with better performance at a lower price.
- Alternative methods of ballast water treatment are also under development now, such as storing fresh water in ballast tank or flow-through ballast water system, which provide the shipowners with other choices.

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## The status of installation of BWMS on ships

Construction year	Number of ships	Ballast water capacity (m <sup>3</sup> )	
		< 1,500	> 5,000
< 2009	BWMS installed	0	0
	BWMS not installed	465	342
	Total	465	342
≥ 2009 and ≤ 2011	BWMS installed	0	1
	BWMS not installed	122	74
	Total	122	75
≥ 2012	BWMS installed	0	0
	BWMS not installed	0	0
	Total	0	0

\* On order book

(Source: CCS Database)

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# Thank You!

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# Current Policies, Measures and the Challenges on Preventing and Controlling MIS Problems in Korea

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- I. Legislations for MIS
- II. Baseline Monitoring System for Marine Ecosystem
- III. Specific Study and Research on MIS
- IV. Discussions

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## ❖ Legislations for MIS

Marine Organisms/ Ecosystem	<b>Conservation and Management of Marine Ecosystem Act</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Chapter III. Protection of M. Organisms</li> <li>▪ Article 23 (Management of <b>Organisms Disturbing Marine Ecosystems</b>) / including LMO(Living Modified Organisms)</li> </ul>
Ballast Water	<b>Marine Environment Management Act</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Chapter III. Regulations for Prevention on M. Pollution</li> <li>▪ Article 22 (Prohibition of Discharges, etc. of Pollutants)</li> </ul>
	<b>Ballast Water Management Act</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ (Purpose) To control of the infusion of harmful aquatic organisms in to the ROK / conservation of the marine ecosystem</li> <li>▪ treatment, exchange, uptake, and discharge</li> </ul>

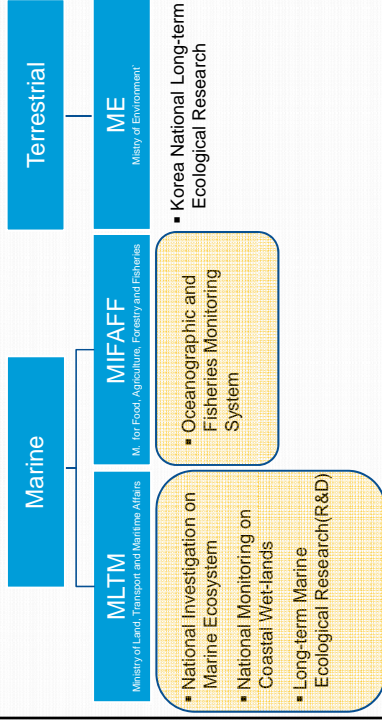
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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

<b>What are Marine Invasive Species ?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>non-native</b> (or exotic) to the ecosystem under consideration and whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health</li> </ul>
<b>What are Native(Endemic) Species?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Establishing National Monitoring System First</li> <li>▪ Then Establishing Monitoring System for M.Invasive Species</li> </ul>

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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem



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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

- National Investigation on Marine Ecosystem (1<sup>st</sup> Phase since 2006)

Environment	Items
Benthic (Sediment, Rock, etc)	General Environ. Condition Benthos
Pelagic Environ.	Sea-weeds, algae, plants General Environment Cond.
Nekton	Phytoplankton Zooplankton Fish, cephalopods, Crustacea, etc

- Taxonomy / Distribution
- Biomass, Diversity, Richness, etc
- Bio-diversity Hotspot
- Seasonal Obs.

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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

- National Monitoring on Coastal Wet-lands (2nd Phase since 2009)

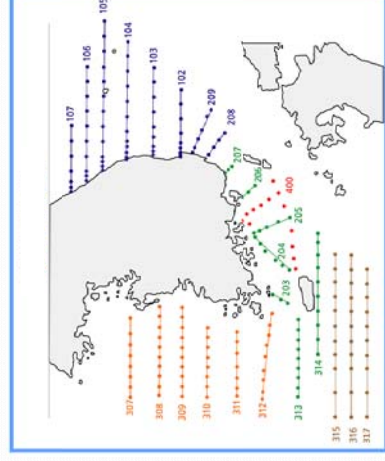


- Taxonomy / Distribution
- Sediment (tidal-flat) Quality Condition
- Biomass, Diversity, Richness, etc

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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

- Oceanographic and Fisheries Monitoring System (Since 1961)



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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

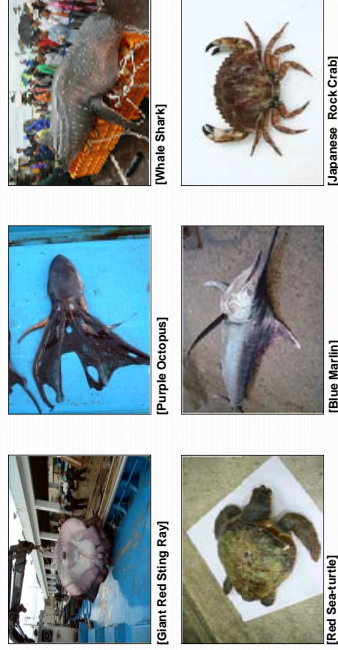
- Korea Marine Biodiversity Information System(KOMBIS, <http://kombis.re.kr>)

The screenshot shows the KOMBIS web interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'Data', 'Survey', 'Baseline', 'Management', 'Education', and 'User'. Below this is a search bar and a list of species. On the left, a taxonomic tree is visible, with 'Mollusca' selected. The main area features a map of Korea with a red location marker. Below the map, there are several small images of marine organisms, including a crab, a squid, and a fish. The interface is in Korean.

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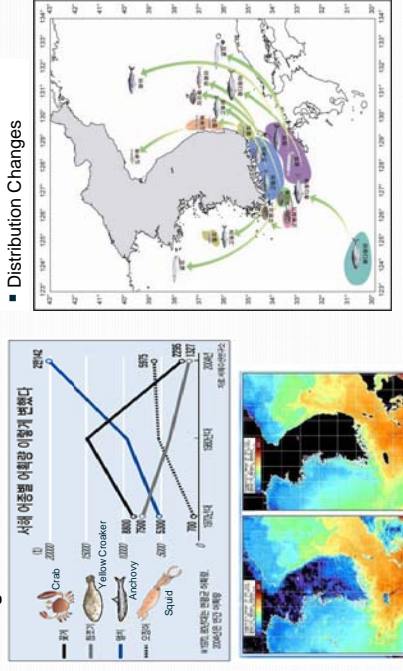
- Issue of Climate Change(Global Warming) / Invasive Exotic Species



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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

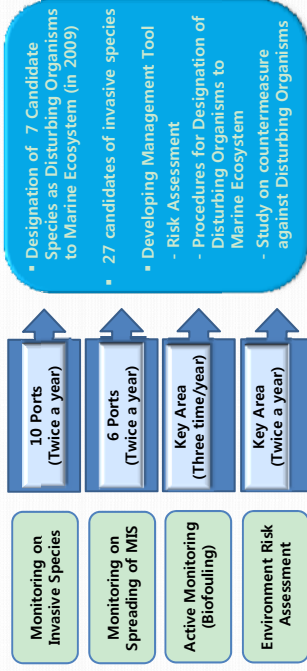
- Changes in Fisheries



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## ❖ Specific Study and Research on MIS

- Study on the monitoring and Management for Disturbing Organisms (Since 2007)



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## ❖ Discussions

- Seven Candidates for Disturbing Organisms to M. Ecosystem in ROK



*Mytilus galloprovincialis*



*Balanus amphitrite*



*Balanus perforatus*



*Styela plicata*



*Clona intestinalis*



*Ulva americana*

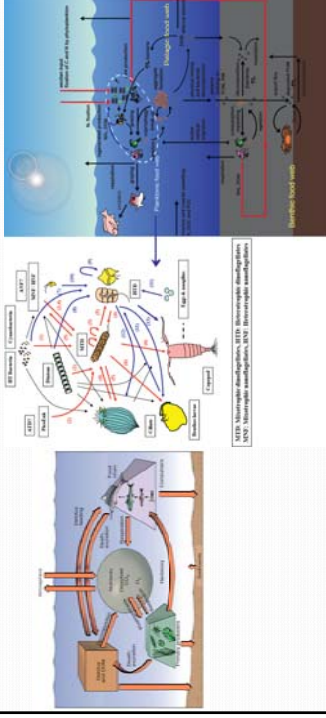


*Ulva fasciata*

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## ❖ Baseline Monitoring for Marine Ecosystem

- Long-term Marine Ecological Study (R&D)  
<Function and Structure of Marine Ecosystem>



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## ❖ Discussions

- Definition of Marine Organisms
- <Conservation and Management of M. Ecosystem Act>
  - Marine Organisms / Migratory Marine Animals / Marine Mammals
  - Marine Organisms under Protection
- Organisms Disturbing M. Ecosystems
  - (a) flowing in from abroad artificially or naturally, which cause or are likely to cause disturbance to the balance of marine ecosystems
  - (b) cause or are likely to cause disturbance to the balance of marine ecosystems, from among genetically modified organisms produced through genetic modification
- Harmful Marine Organisms : harmful to the life or property of people

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## ❖ Discussions

- Implementing Environment Risk Assessment / Management Response
  - Designating Disturbing Organisms(or MIS) in Different Category(Grade)
  - Applying Different Countermeasures
    - (a) **Routine Monitoring** : to detect MIS before they become spread
    - (b) **Rapid Response** to Eradicate or Control MIS (prevent spreading)
    - (c) **Long-term Response** to Mitigate Impacts of MIS (after spreading)
  - Control of Pathways that lead to the introduction, spread and re-invasion

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## ❖ Discussions

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- **Joint Project in Regional Level (e.g. NOWPAP)**
  - D/B of species based information on the physiological and ecological attributes
  - Sharing experience and outcomes of risk profiling activities for species

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## Current policies and measures on preventing and controlling MIS problems in Russia

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## The Russian environmental legislation:

- *is based on the Constitution of the Russian Federation*
- *includes Federal Laws, Presidential Decrees, Governmental Orders, acts of federal executive bodies etc.*
- *contains principles and provisions of ratified international conventions and agreements*
- *comprises provisions of other international treaties if they do not contradict the state policy and national environmental legislation*

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- *Russia has not specific legislative acts aimed at solving the issue of invasion of alien species including marine and coastal ones*
- *A national strategy for alien species is lacking too*

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## The list of base legal acts applicable to marine and coastal invasive species

*The Federal Law of the Russian Federation "On the Conservation of the Environment" N 7-FZ, dated January 10, 2002:*

*prohibits production, raising and use of plants, animals and organisms, which are not peculiar to natural ecological systems or artificially made, without development of the effective measures for preventing their uncontrolled reproduction, positive decision of governmental ecological expertise, and permission of federal authorities performing functions in the sphere of the environmental protection*

*The Federal Law of the Russian Federation "On the Specifically Protected Natural Territories" N 33-FZ, dated March 4, 1995:*

*prohibits the introduction of living organisms for their acclimatization on the territory of the state wildlife reserved areas and national parks*

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## The list of base legal acts applicable to marine and coastal invasive species

*The Federal Law of the Russian Federation "On the Animal World" N 52- FZ, dated April 24, 1995:*

allows to acclimatize the objects of the fauna which are new to Russia's fauna, to move the objects of the fauna to new habitats, and to perform the hybridization of the animal world's objects only with the permission of special authorized governmental bodies in protecting, controlling, and regulating the use of objects of the animal world and habitats and in presence of resolution of competent scientific organization taking into consideration the requirements for environmental safety

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## The list of base legal acts applicable to marine and coastal invasive species

*The Federal Law of the Russian Federation "On Fishery and Conservation of Water Biological Resources" N 166-FZ, dated December 20, 2004:*

determines the acclimatization of water living resources as an activity on placement of water living resources of valuable species into water bodies with fishery capabilities and in creation of stable populations of these species in the water bodies with fishery capabilities, which have not been inhabited before by these species or have lost its value. The order of measures for acclimatization of water living resources is defined by the federal executive body in the field of fishery

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## The list of base legal acts applicable to marine and coastal invasive species

*The Federal Law of the Russian Federation "On the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Russian Federation" N 191-FZ, dated December 17, 1998:*

obliged the persons who catch fish in the exclusive economic zone to not disturb the habitat of water living resources, to not illegally acclimatize the water living resources and to comply with the requirements of the quarantine regime

*The federal law of the Russian Federation "On the Continental Shelf of the Russian Federation" N 187-FZ, dated November 30, 1995:*

obliged the persons who catch fish on the continental shelf to not allow degradation of natural habitats of water living resources, to not illegally acclimatize the water living resources and to comply with the requirements of the quarantine regime

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## The list of base legal acts applicable to marine and coastal invasive species

*The Federal Law of the Russian Federation "On Hunting and Conservation of Game Resources and on Amending Specified Legislative Acts of the Russian Federation" N 209-FZ, dated July 24, 2009:*

allows the acclimatization, relocation, and hybridization of game resources to settle them in new habitat and provide the conservation their specific diversity only in presence of the permissions and on the base of scientifically substantiated recommendations

*"Order of measures for acclimatization of water living resources" approved by Order of the Federal Agency for Fishery of the Russian Federation N 433, dated May 6, 2010:*

defines the order of measures for acclimatization of water living resources in water bodies with fishery capabilities

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## The list of base legal acts applicable to marine and coastal invasive species

"The Regulations on the Federal Supervisory Natural Resources Management Service" approved by Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation N 400, dated July 30, 2004:  
includes into the list of powers of the Federal Supervisory Natural Resources Management Service the issuance of the license (permission) to acclimatize the objects of fauna which are new to the fauna of Russia, to relocate the objects of the animal world to new habitats, and to hybridize the objects of the animal world which are enlisted in the Red book of the Russian Federation

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## The National Strategy of Biodiversity Conservation in Russia

approved at the National Forum on the Wildlife Conservation, 2001

## The Environmental Doctrine of the Russian Federation

approved by Prescription of the Government of the Russian Federation N 1225-1, dated August 31, 2002

## The Strategy for Conservation of Rare and Endangered Species of Animals, Plants, and Fungi

approved by Order of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Russian Federation N 323, dated April 6, 2004

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## The National Strategy of Biodiversity Conservation in Russia

- It determines principles, priorities and main trends of the Russia policy related to the biodiversity conservation, main lines of elaboration of legislative and other normative and legal acts, a system of organizational, administrative, financial, and economic mechanisms to ensure conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
- It is a basis of elaboration of strategies of biodiversity conservation of regional importance, conservation strategies for particular species and ecosystems, and action plans and strategies of governmental, public and commercial institutions to the same effect.

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## The Environmental Doctrine of the Russian Federation

It considers the control of use and distribution of alien species and genetically modified organisms as one of the priority directions of activity in providing the environmental safety of Russia.

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## ***The Environmental Doctrine of the Russian Federation***

It is necessary to solve the following issues:

- to ensure the effective work of quarantine services, to prevent the invasion and unauthorized import to the territory of the country of alien species and genetically modified organisms as well as pests, carriers, and agents of diseases
- to perform the control of domestic acclimatization activities
- to develop and fulfill the system of arrangements for prevention of uncontrolled distribution of alien species and genetically modified organisms in natural environment and for elimination of the consequences of these processes
- to perform control and support of safe use of alien species and genetically modified organisms in economical turnover

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## ***The Strategy for Conservation of Rare and Endangered Species of Animals, Plants, and Fungi***

It determines the development and realization of measures for prevention of uncontrolled distribution of alien invasive species and elimination of the invasion consequences as well as for prevention of penetration of living genetically modified organisms in natural environments and their further hybridization with populations conserved as the main means of conservation of rare and endangered species in natural habitats at a population level.

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## ***The Strategy for Conservation of Rare and Endangered Species of Animals, Plants, and Fungi***

The following measures should be taken to fulfill these tasks:

- to reveal the main transit ways of invasive alien species penetration
- to draw up an inventory and monitoring of alien species
- to prevent a hybridization of individuals in populations conserved with those of closely related alien species
- to forecast and assess a risk of potential alien species invasions because of increasing interstate exchange
- to carry out an environmental risk assessment of application of living genetically modified organisms related to their probable contagiousness and pathogenicity as well as ability to compete and transmit genes to other organisms

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## **Russia's leading authorities responsible for introduction of marine and coastal species**

*The Government of the Russian Federation*



*The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Russian Federation*

*The Federal Agency for Fishery*



*The Federal Supervisory Natural Resources Management Service*

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## Russia and International programmes on MIS problems

- Russia was not a member of international programme “Removal of Barriers to the Effective Management of Ballast Water Control and Implementation Measures in Developing Countries” (the GEF-UNDP-IMO GloBallast Programme)
- Russia does not take a part in new project “Building Partnerships to Assist Developing Countries to Reduce the Transfer of Harmful Aquatic Organisms in Ships’ Ballast Water” (the GEF-UNDP-IMO GloBallast Partnerships Project)

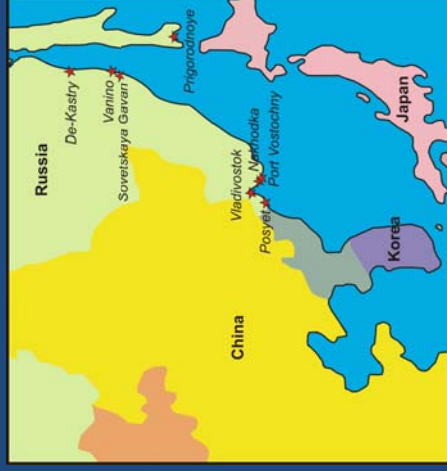
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## Russia and International Treaties on MIS problems

- In 2012 Russia was acceded to *the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships’ Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004*
- Russia is also a Party to *the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973/1978 (MARPOL 73/78)*.

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## The large Russian ports in NOWPAP region



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Only two Russian ports in NOWPAP region take measures to prevent ballast water discharge in a harbour:

- Before calling at *the Prigorodnoye Port* (Sakhalin) tankers should exchange ballast water in an open sea
- There are ballast water reception facilities at the oil-loading terminal at *the port of Nakhodka*

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The gas tanker “Grand Elena” bounding for the Prigorodnoye Port (Sakhalin)



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The Prigorodnoye Port (Sakhalin)



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The oil-loading terminal at the port of Nakhodka (the Primorsky Territory)



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## What should Russia do to prevent and control MIS problems?

*To enact the specific national legal acts as well as subordinate acts, regulations, guidelines and standards in the development of the international Convention for the prevention and liquidation of transfer of harmful aquatic species by ships:*

- to develop systems of control and management of ballast water aboard the ship including the recruitments on composition of ballast water and procedure of its analytic control
- to organize the system to control and manage ballast water in the ports including procedures to inform touching at a port ships about the requirements regarding the management of ship water ballast as well as regulations of control by specialized executive bodies

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## What should Russia do to prevent and control MIS problems?

*To enact the specific national legal acts as well as subordinate acts, regulations, guidelines and standards in the development and liquidation of transfer of harmful aquatic species by ships:*

- to determine areas for exchanging the ballast water;
- to organize monitoring of the marine environment over the ballast's discharge and exchange areas as well as in the ports' waters for early detection of alien species brought with the ships' ballast water

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## What should Russia do to prevent and control MIS problems?

- *To implement mechanisms of control of potential invasions transferring by means of the biological ships' fouling*
- *To develop new normative and legal documents and amend the existing ones in the field of introduction of marine and coastal species*
- *To train personnel adequately (managers, scientists, taxonomists, technical experts and enforcement officers) and purchase facilities*

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## What should Russia do to prevent and control MIS problems?

*To create awareness of marine invasive species and their impacts*



*Russian Journal of Biological Invasions* appeared since 2008 publishes scientific papers dealing with biological invasions of alien species in both terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems

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## What should Russia do to prevent and control MIS problems?

*To create awareness of marine invasive species and their impacts*



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## What should Russia do to prevent and control MIS problems?

- *To elaborate the National Strategy on preventing and controlling the invasion of alien species including the marine and coastal ones*

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