

# Ocean Governance & Ocean Geopolitics

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# Presentation Plan



## **1 – What has shaped/is shaping Ocean Geopolitics and why paying attention to this field?**

- Modern ocean governance
- The main three phases which have shaped ocean geopolitics

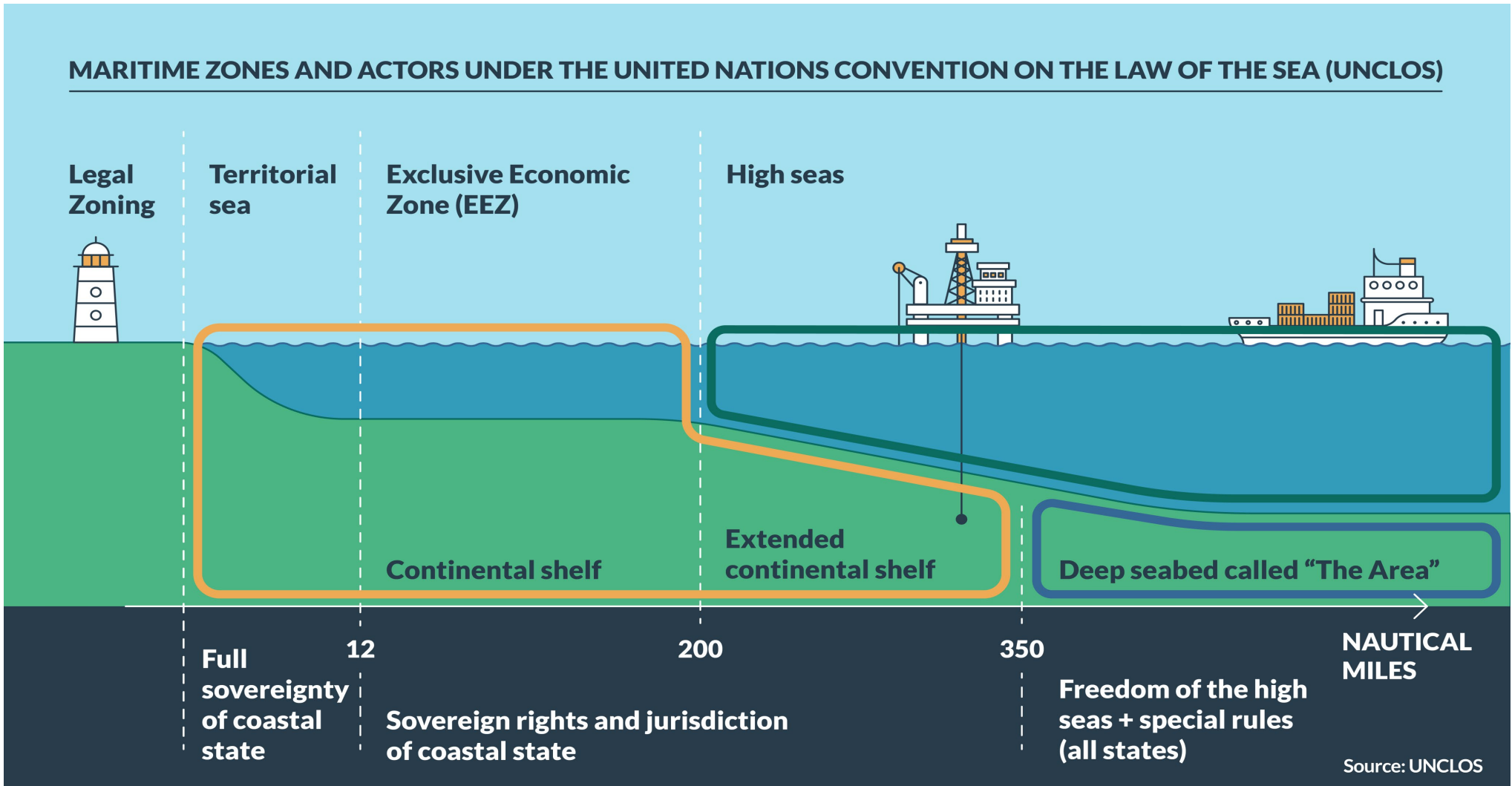
## **2 – How are Ocean geopolitics & Governance interrelated and why are they key to any planning and development of project, product and/or service ?**

- The building of the current ocean governance framework
- The Millefeuille effect : between complementarity, synergies and headaches!

## **3 – New ocean governance challenges and importance for academia and private actors**

- Strengthened role of science and technology in Ocean Governance
- Cooperation in between existing and new ocean governance stakeholders

# Legal Zoning of Marine Space under UNCLOS\*

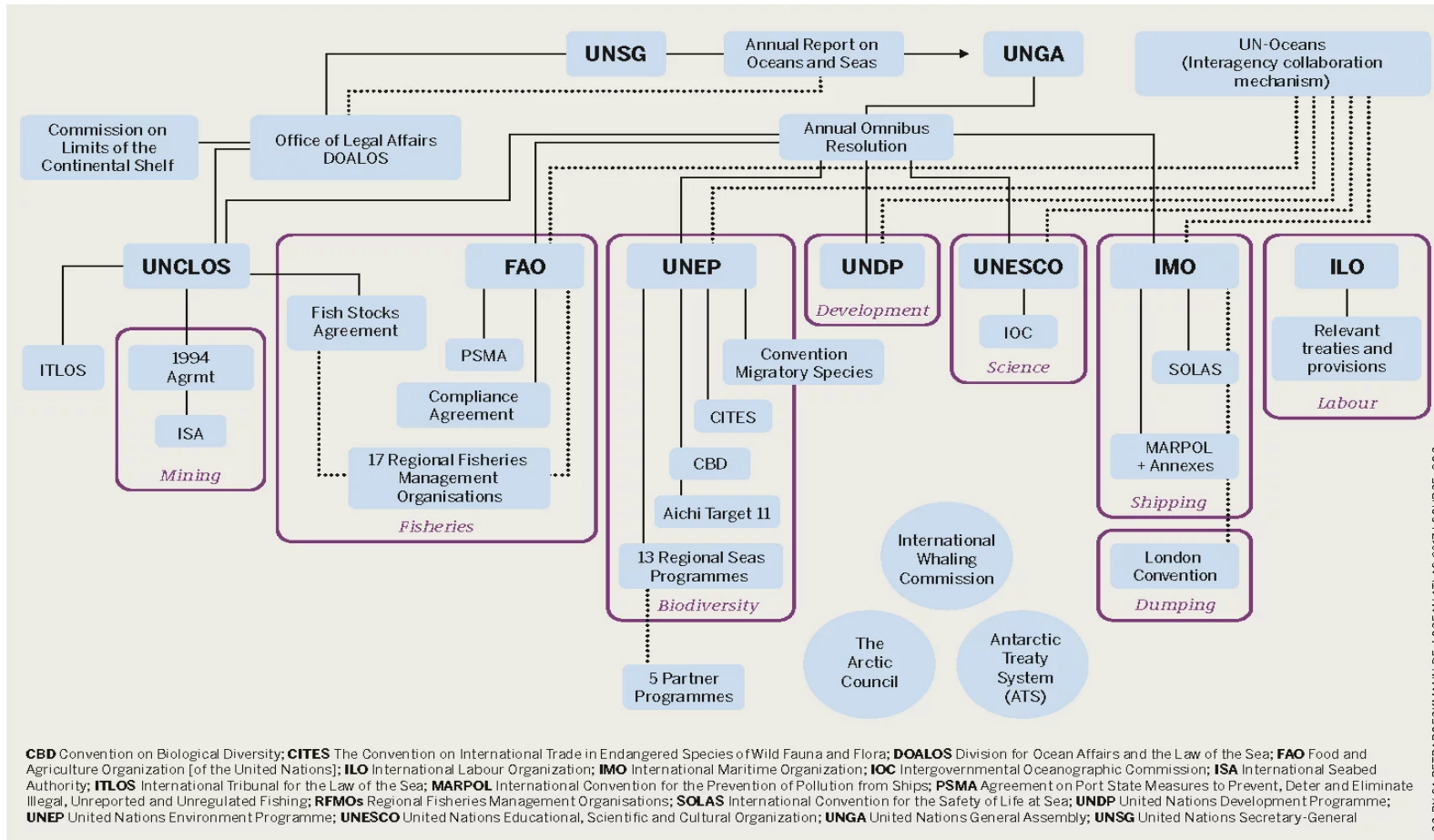


\* UNCLOS= United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea



# The UN Ocean Governance Framework

## International Governance Structures for the Ocean—Multi-sectoral Approach and a Plethora of Organizations



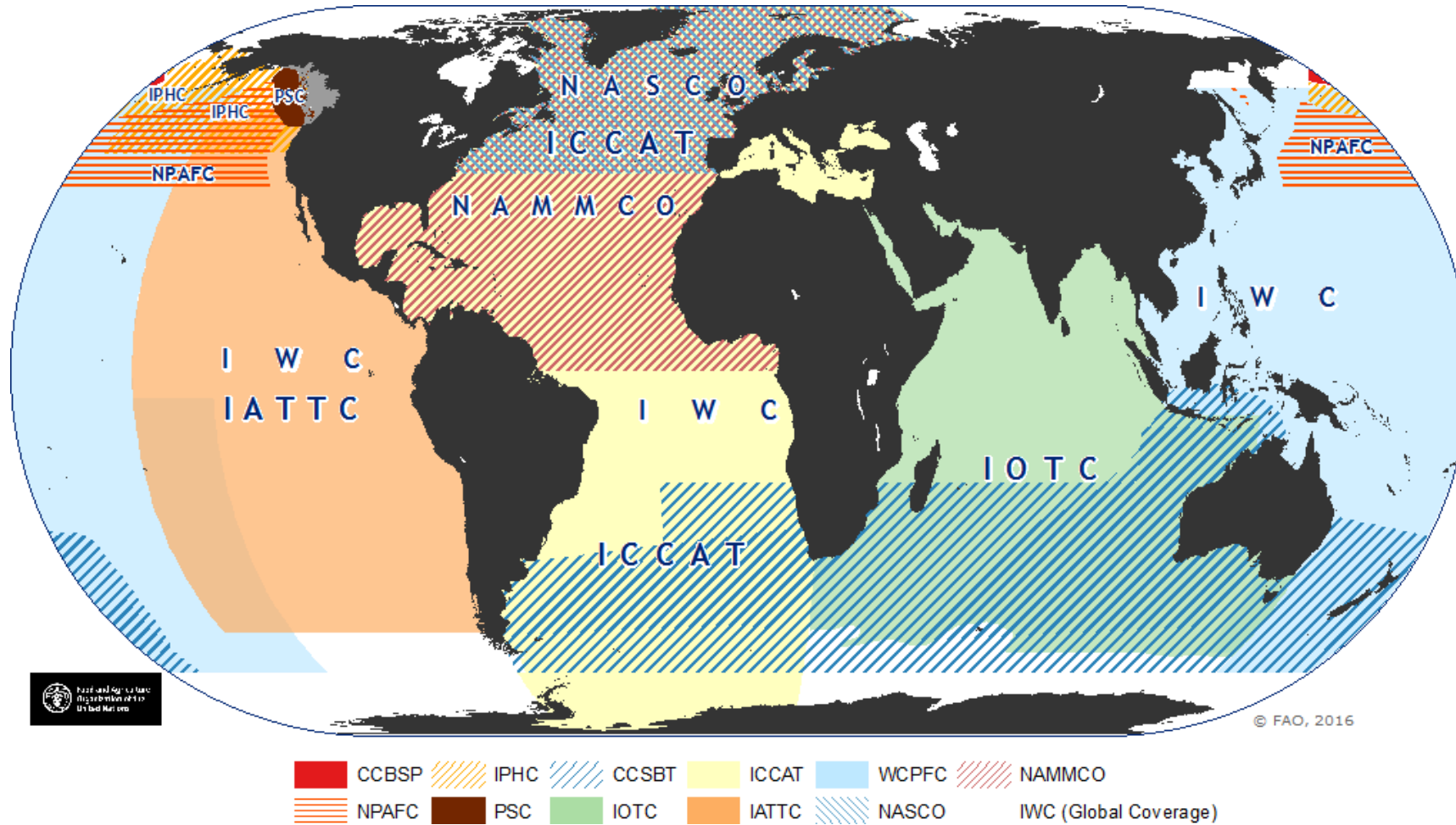
- Diversity of ocean uses
- Diversity of Stakeholders (public and private)
- Diversity of interests (clashing or complementary interests?)
- Other international organisations (not UN) = ex. the International Hydrographic Organization

**Huge need of cooperation within UN and in between UN and non UN organisations**

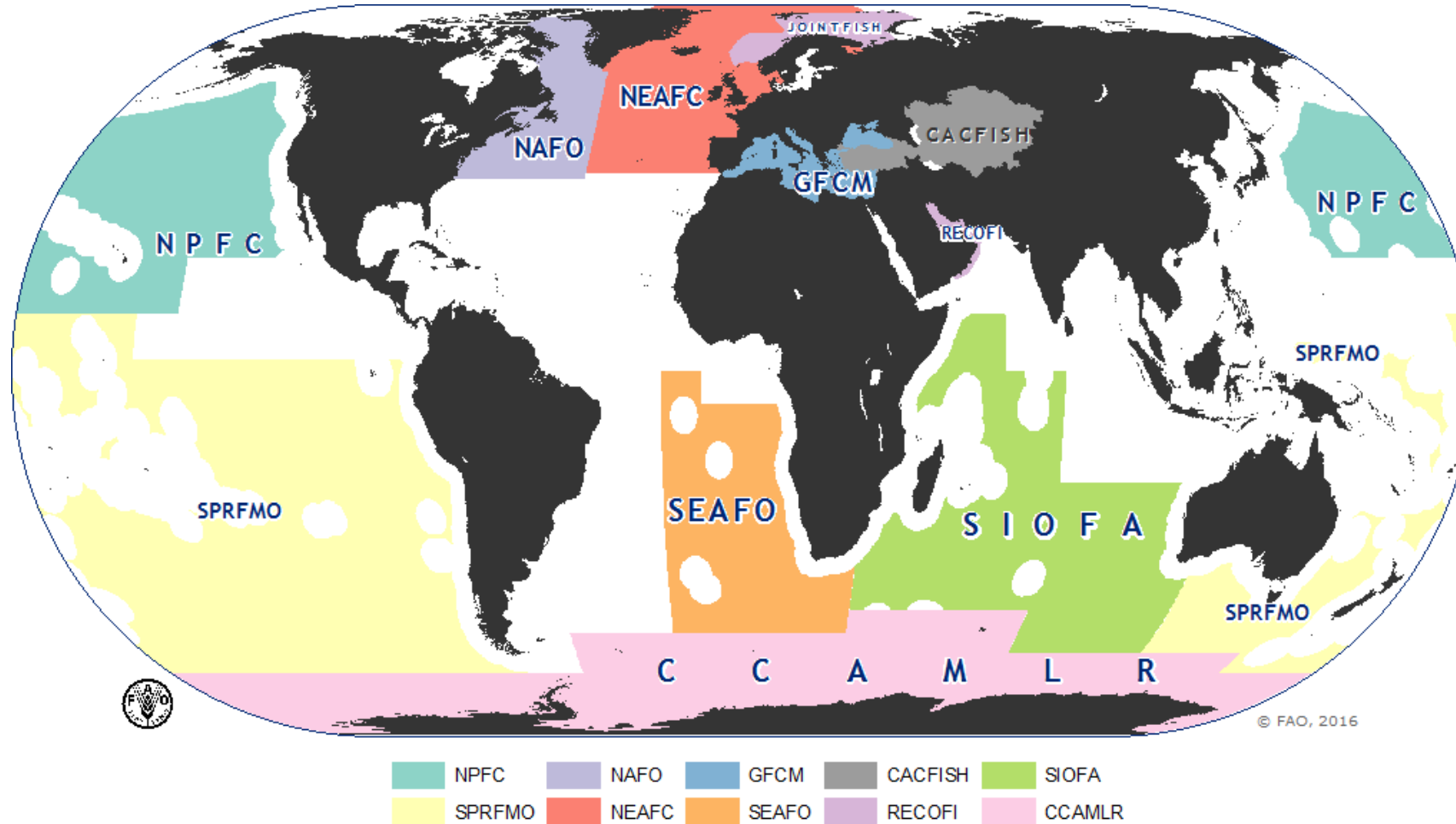
# Regional Seas Convention Frameworks



# Fisheries: The millefeuille effect (1/3)



# Fisheries: The millefeuille effect (2/3)









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