



Intervention during the Informal Working Group on the Protection and preservation of the Marine Environment – Facilitator’s text (XI).

DOSI wants to support CR in the addition of a section regarding ecosystem services. For example, what is missing from the entire EIS is characterization of the global-scale regulating and supporting ecosystem services (carbon burial and sequestration, nutrient cycling). It needs to be included in its own section as these are some of the services that will be disrupted in the mining footprint and it is critical that they be quantified. Similarly, the genetic resources present in the project area are not mentioned but merit attention in the EIS.

Regarding 6.3. Sites of an archaeological or historical nature

This section should also consider other international agreements and whether any sites relating to cultural property or cultural heritage are known to occur within the potential area of impact. Additionally, please broaden to include findings of a paleontological nature.

Thank you