

Integrated surveys: how to benefit?

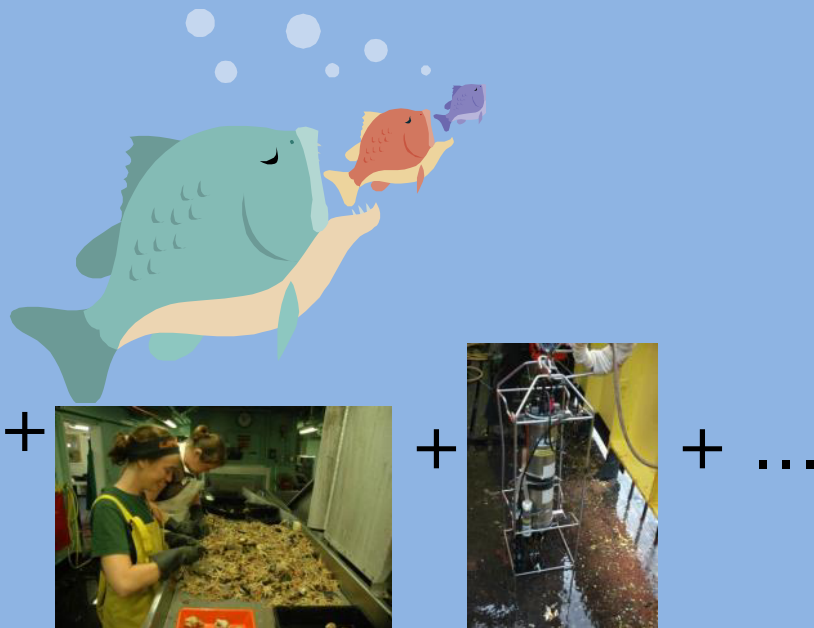
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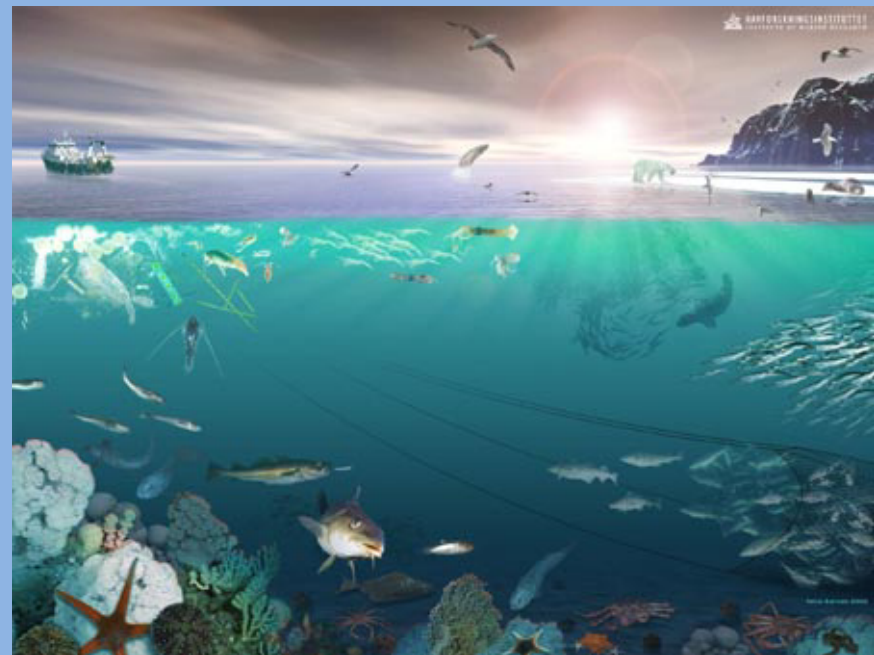
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2 options:

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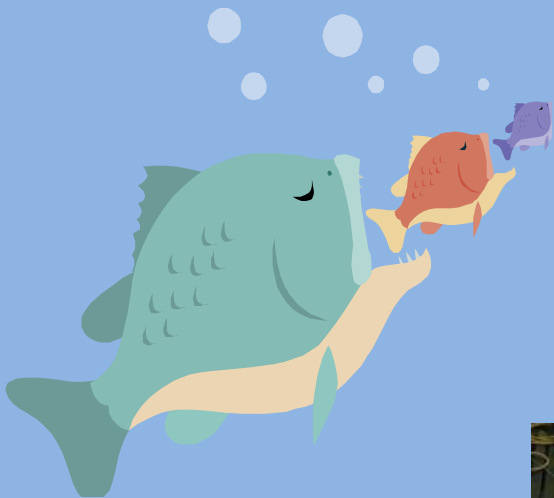


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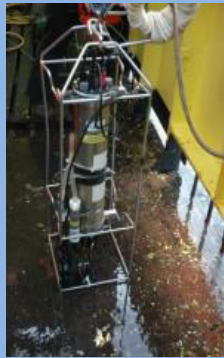
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Task

Fish

Organism collection (e.g. for contaminants, fatty acids analysis)
Stomach sampling
Additional biological data (e.g. liver/gonad weight, otoliths, etc.)
Disease/parasite registration
Genetic information
Lipid content
Sonar observations pelagic fish
Tagging
Bioactive materials in marine species
Echosounder observations pelagic fish

Physical and chemical oceanography (e.g. CTD, chlorophyll, etc.)

Continuous underway oceanographic measurements [from the vessel]
Station oceanographic measurements
Continuous underway oceanographic measurements [autonomous]
Water movement
Station nutrient samples

Biological oceanography

Station microbiological samples
Station phytoplankton samples
Continuous phytoplankton samples
Station zooplankton samples [towed]
Station zooplankton samples [dipped]
Continuous zooplankton samples

Invertebrates

Infauna
Epifauna [towed]
Epifauna [video]
Pelagic

Megafauna

ESAS sampling (birds, sea mammals)

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Task	MSFD descriptor related to										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Fish											
Organism collection (e.g. for contaminants, fatty acids analysis)	x	x	x	x				x	x		
Stomach sampling	x		x	x							
Additional biological data (e.g. liver/gonad weight, otoliths, sex)	x	x	x	x				x			
Disease/parasite registration	x							x	x		
Genetic information	x		x								
Lipid content				x							
Sonar observations pelagic fish			x								
Tagging			x								
Bioactive materials in marine species											
Echosounder observations pelagic fish	x	x	x								
Physical and chemical oceanography (e.g. CTD, chlorophyll, oxygen, nutrients, turbidity, etc.)											
Continuous underway oceanographic measurements [from the ship]							x				
Station oceanographic measurements							x				
Continuous underway oceanographic measurements [autonomous devices]							x				
Water movement							x				
Station nutrient samples					x						
Biological oceanography											
Station microbiological samples	x	x	x					x			
Station phytoplankton samples	x	x	x		x			x			
Continuous phytoplankton samples	x	x	x		x			x			
Station zooplankton samples [towed]	x	x	x					x			
Station zooplankton samples [dipped]	x	x	x					x			
Continuous zooplankton samples	x	x	x					x			
Invertebrates											
Infauna	x	x		x			x				
Epifauna [towed]	x	x		x			x				
Epifauna [video]	x	x		x			x				
Pelagic	x	x		x							
Megafauna											
ESAS sampling (birds, sea mammals)	x	x		x							

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Task	MSFD descriptor related to											Fisheries survey for data collection	Preparation	Additional equipment	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
Fish															
Organism collection (e.g. for contaminants, fatty acids analysis)	x	x	x	x				x	x				trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	
Stomach sampling	x		x	x									trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	
Additional biological data (e.g. liver/gonad weight, otoliths, sex)	x	x	x	x				x					trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	
Disease/parasite registration	x							x	x				trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	
Genetic information	x		x										trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	
Lipid content				x									trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	Fat meter; Calibration s	
Sonar observations pelagic fish				x									all	scientific sonar	
Tagging				x									trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	Tags and fish handling	
Bioactive materials in marine species													trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	
Echosounder observations pelagic fish	x	x	x										all	no	
Physical and chemical oceanography (e.g. CTD, chlorophyll, oxygen, nutrients, turbidity, etc.)															
Continuous underway oceanographic measurements [from the ship]								x					all	dependent on variable	
Station oceanographic measurements								x					all	dependent on variable	
Continuous underway oceanographic measurements [autonomous devices]								x					all	dependent on variable	
Water movement								x					all	ADCP	
Station nutrient samples					x								all	Water sampler	
Biological oceanography															
Station microbiological samples	x	x	x					x					all	Water sampler	
Station phytoplankton samples	x	x	x		x			x					all	Water sampler	
Continuous phytoplankton samples	x	x	x		x			x					all	CPR	
Station zooplankton samples [towed]	x	x	x					x					all	Towed samplers	
Station zooplankton samples [dipped]	x	x	x					x					all	Dipped samplers	
Continuous zooplankton samples	x	x	x					x					all	Echosounder at proper	
Invertebrates															
Infauna	x	x		x		x							all	Grab/corer, sieve	
Epifauna [towed]	x	x		x		x							all	Beam trawl/dredge/sle	
Epifauna [video]	x	x		x		x							all	Video	
Pelagic	x	x		x									all	Trawl net	
Megafauna															
ESAS sampling (birds, sea mammals)	x	x		x									all	no	

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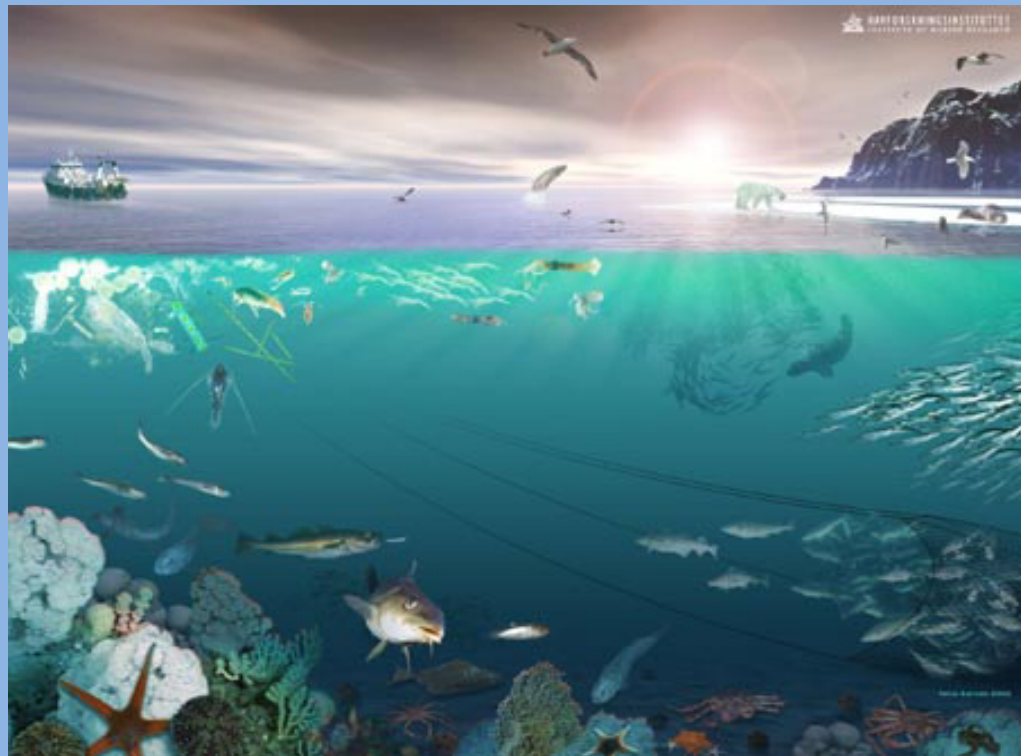
Task	MSFD descriptor related to											Fisheries survey for data collection	Preparation		During survey		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		Additional equipment	Additional skills	Extra personnel	Extra shiptime	Facilities
Fish																	
Organism collection (e.g. for contaminants, fatty acids analysis)	x	x	x	x				x	x			trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	no	no	no	sample storage
Stomach sampling	x		x	x								trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	no	yes	no	preservation facilities
Additional biological data (e.g. liver/gonad weight, otoliths)	x	x	x	x				x				trawl, acoustic and ichthyoplankton	no	no	dependent on time	no	no
Disease/parasitology																	
Genetic information																	
Lipid content																	
Sonar observation																	range
Tagging																	adding facilities
Bioactive molecules																	ation facilities
Echosounders																	range
Physical and chemical oceanography (e.g. CTD, chlorophyll, oxygen, nutrients, turbidity, etc.)																	
Continuous monitoring																	ent on
Station oceanography																	ent on
Continuous water movement																	
Station nutrients																	
Biological oceanography																	
Station microplankton																	
Station phytoplankton samples	x	x	x	x				x				all	Water sampler	skills for operation	no	yes (deploy/rec)	preservation facilities
Continuous phytoplankton samples	x	x	x	x				x				all	CPR	skills for operation	yes	yes (deploy/rec)	preservation facilities
Station zooplankton																	ation facilities
Station zooplankton																	ation facilities
Continuous zooplankton																	range
Invertebrates																	
Infauna	x	x		x								all	Grab/corer, sieve	sorting	yes	yes	preservation facilities
Epifauna [towed]	x	x		x								all	Beam trawl/dredge/sledge	identification	dependent on time	yes, except for	no
Epifauna [video]	x	x		x								all	Video	skills for operation	no	yes	no
Pelagic	x	x		x								all	Trawl net	identification	dependent on time	yes, except for	no
Megafauna																	
ESAS sampling (birds, sea mammals)	x	x		x								all	no	identification, knowledge	yes (expert)	no	observation platform

1. many tasks can be added to a monitoring programme; additional resources might be required

2. selection of specific tasks is necessary, as we cannot carry out all tasks at the same time

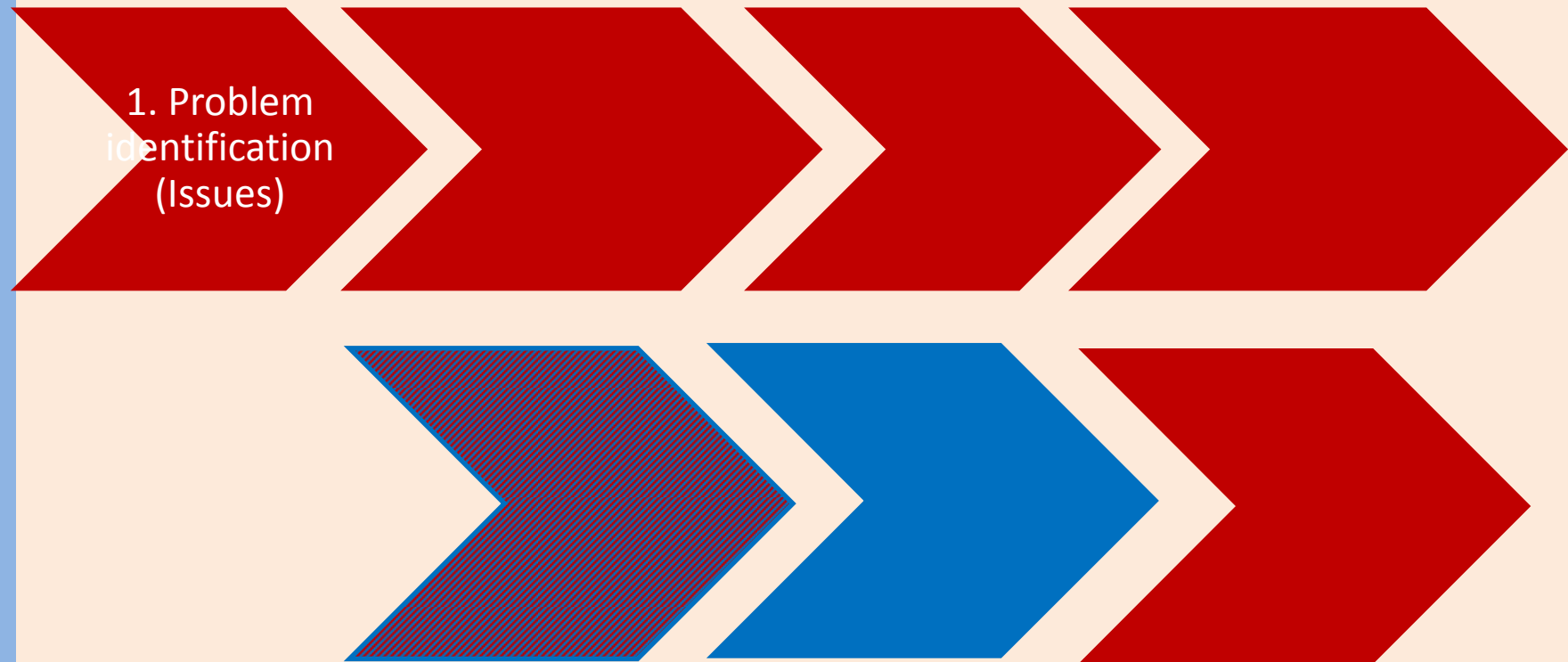
3. main objective of the survey is leading

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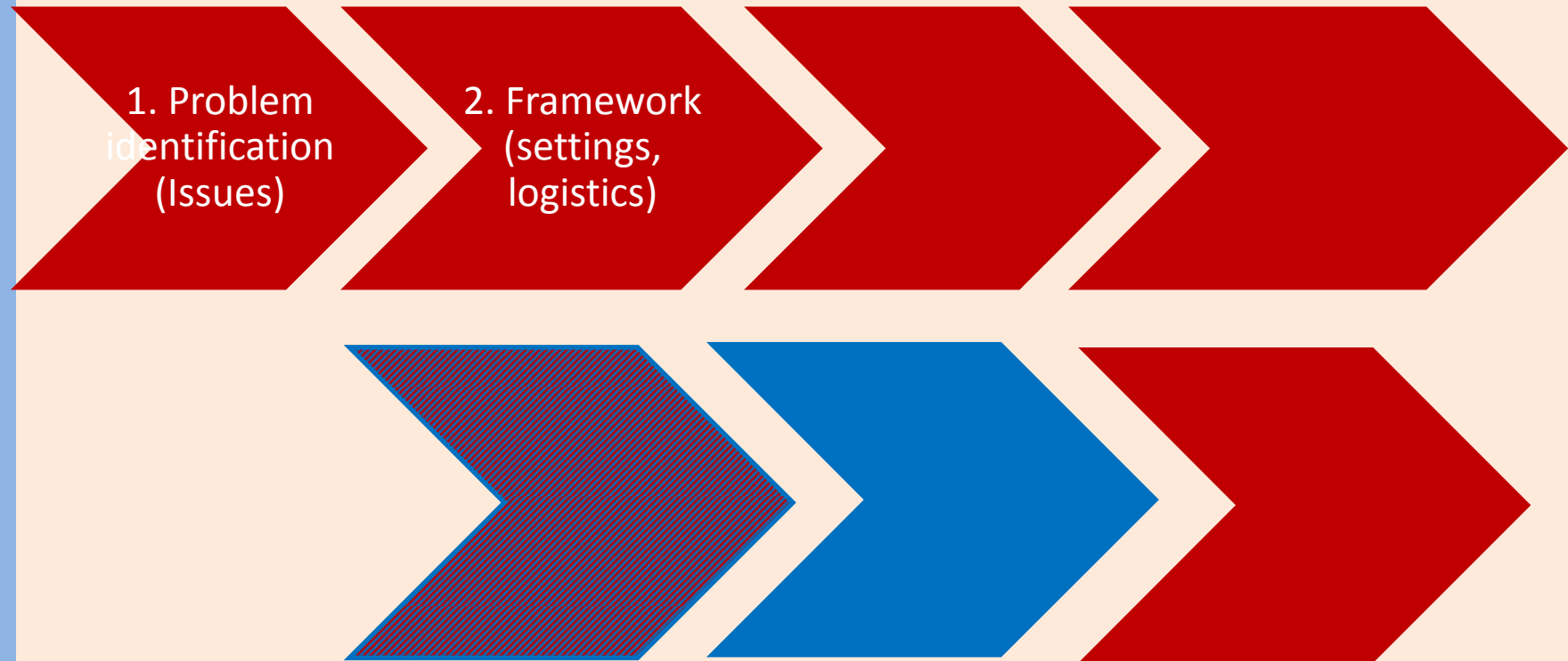


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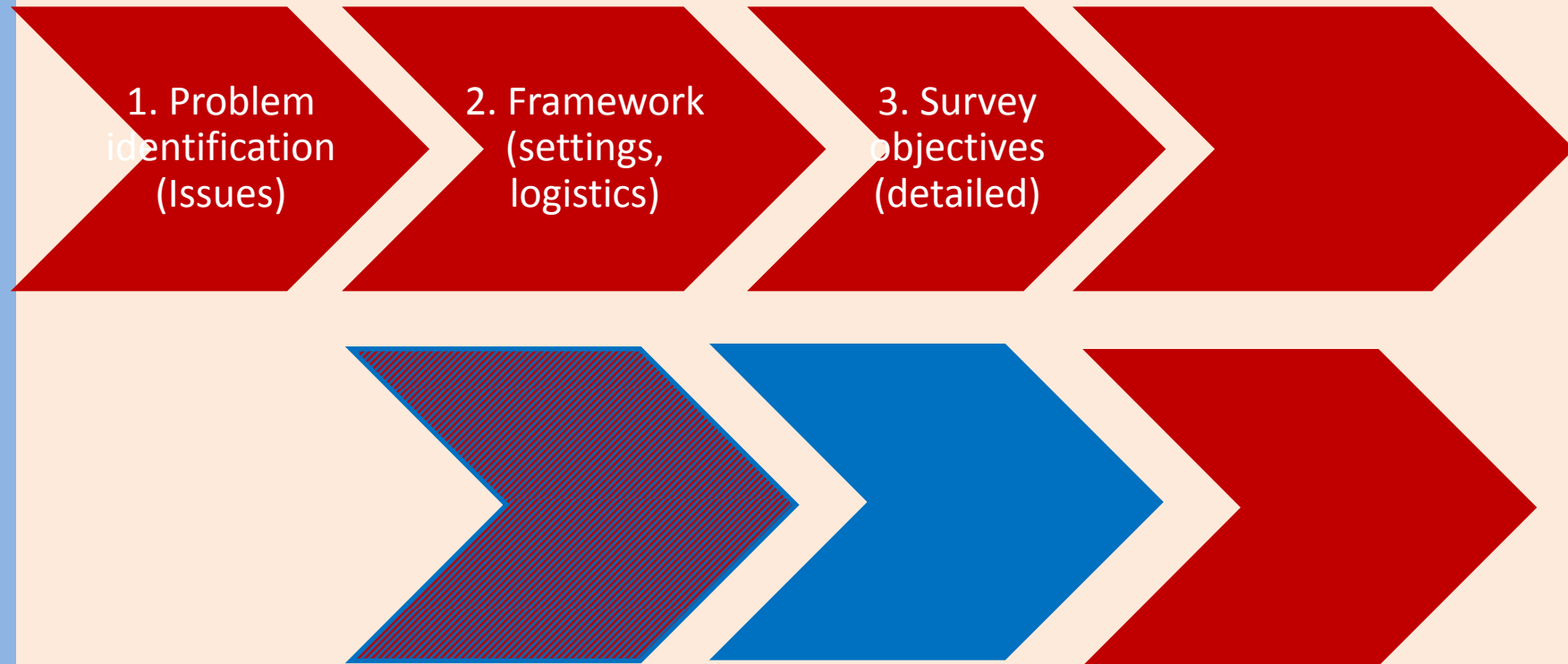
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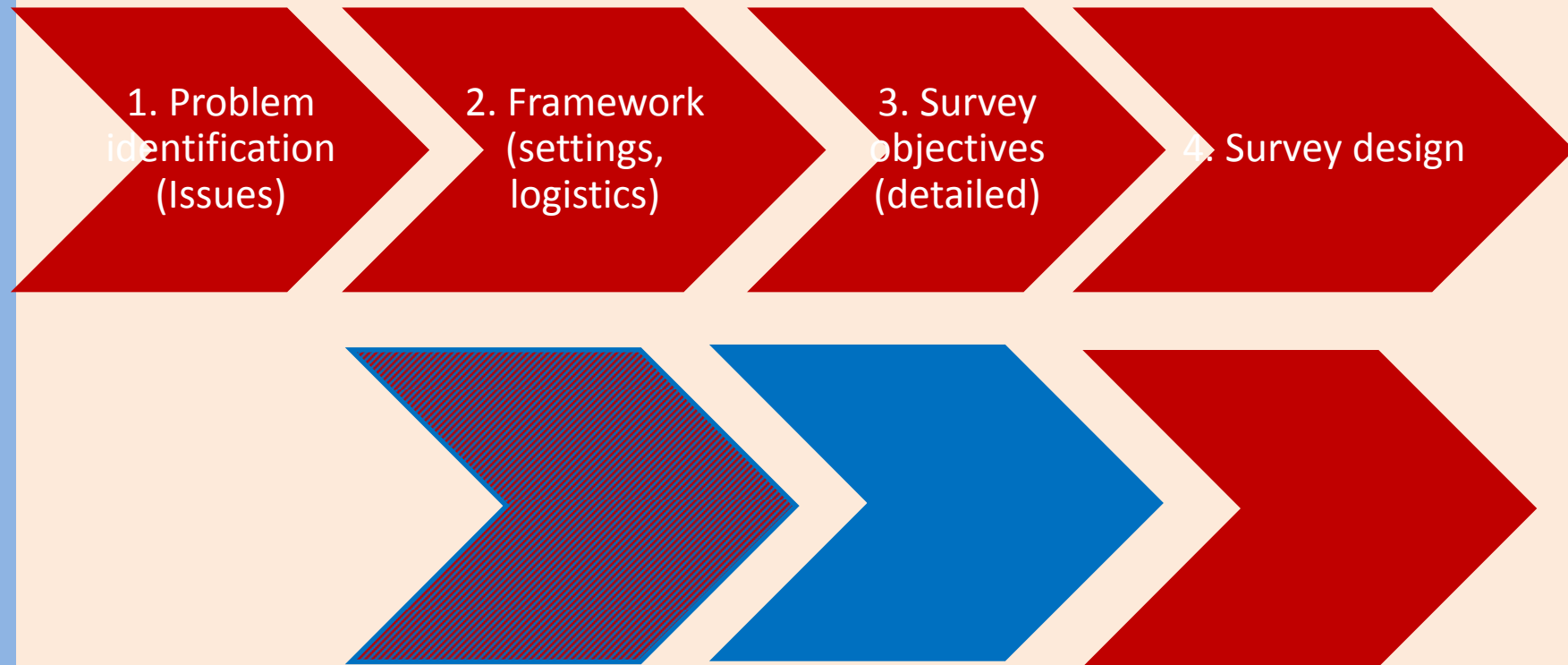
Design ecosystem survey from scratch (2)



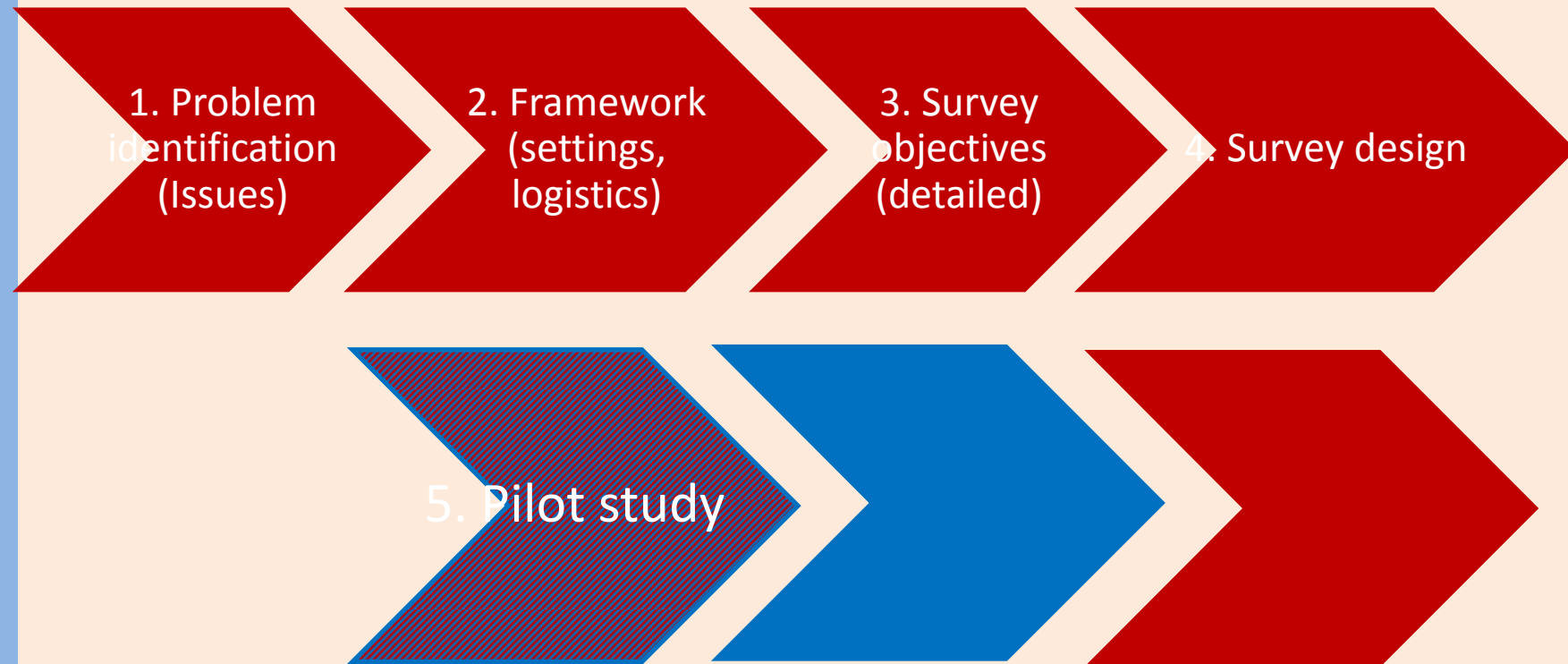
Design ecosystem survey from scratch (3)



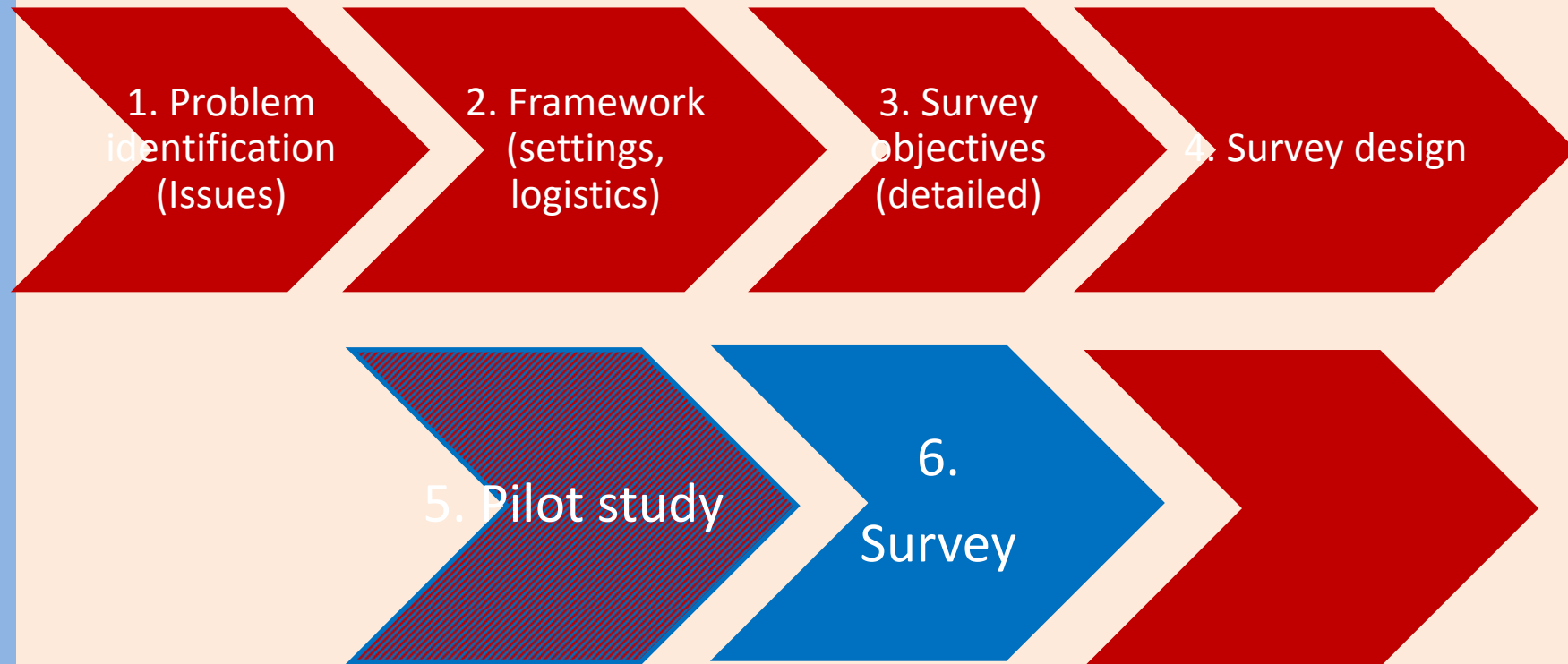
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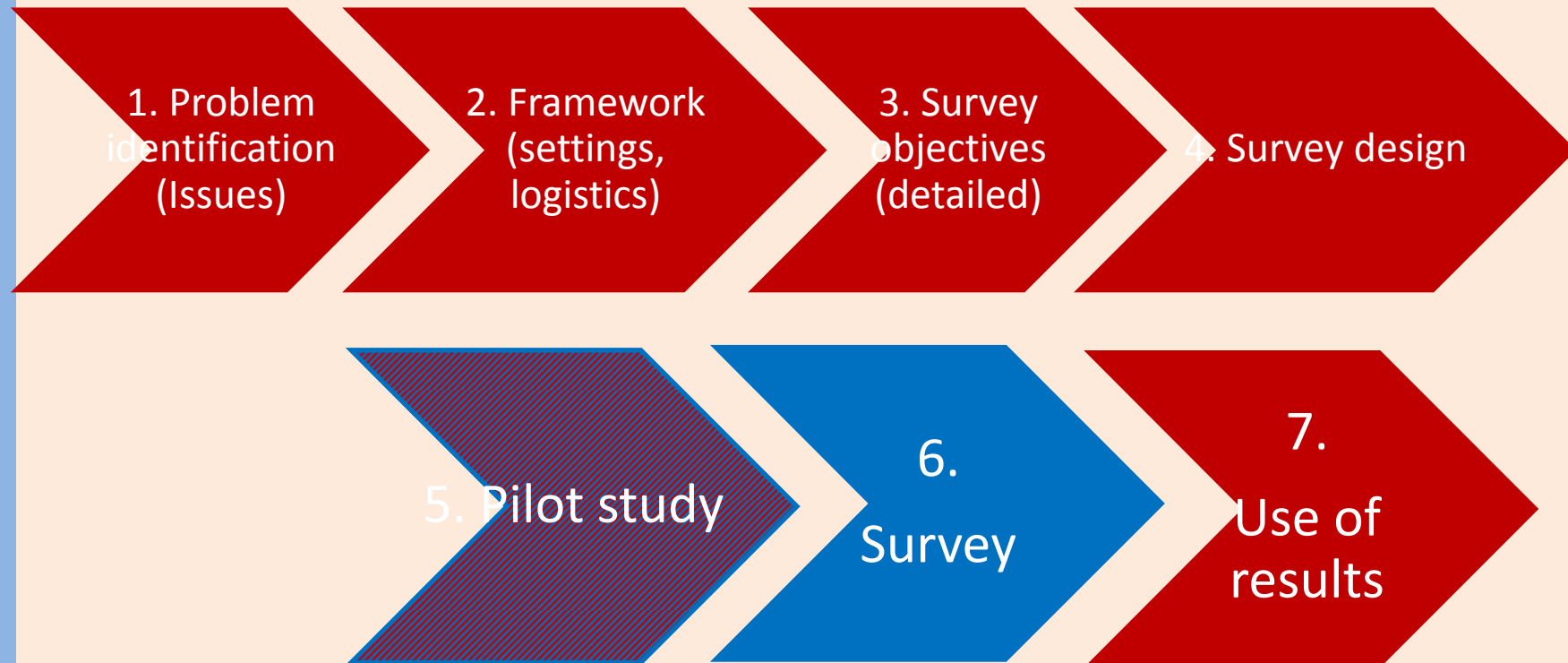
Design ecosystem survey from scratch (5)



Design ecosystem survey from scratch (6)



Design ecosystem survey from scratch (7)



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Preparation is (almost)
everything

1. Problem identification (Issues) → 2. Settings (settings) → 3. Objectives (objectives) → 4. Survey design

Full diagram at

[http://www.ices.dk/community/Documents/Expert%20Groups/WGISUR/flow%20diagram ecosystem%20survey_updated.pdf](http://www.ices.dk/community/Documents/Expert%20Groups/WGISUR/flow%20diagram%20ecosystem%20survey_updated.pdf)

1. Problem identification (Issues)

- Define objectives (e.g. deliverables (data or processed indicators), description of data-use, knowledge gaps)
- Prioritise objectives
- Define ecosystem, including pressure factors

- Literature review
- Analyse available data
- Use available models
- Consult experts in each appropriate discipline

2. Framework (settings, logistics)

- Define resources (e.g. money, ship time, expertise, storage facilities available)
- Define constraints (e.g. regulations, international agreements)
- Define timetables (e.g. for data processing and delivery)
- Define operational priorities (based on step 1, and resources and constraints).

- Consult experts
- Agree with primary customers on minimum survey requirements
- Determine achievable goals for a single vessel survey
- Determine operational approach with vessel (crew and managers)

3. Survey objectives (detailed)

- Define variables/ecosystem-components/processes
- Define methods to match objectives and fill knowledge gaps
- Define timing of survey (e.g. frequency, duration)
- Define expertise needed
- Define final operational prioritisation of tasks for survey
- Check if design matches the output of phase 1

- Consider (inter)national collaboration with governments, research institutes, universities, stakeholders, etc.
- Consider expert consultation regarding the development of ecosystem surveys

4. Survey design

- Create survey plan in the context of primary and ecosystem data collection priorities
- Define primary sampling units and their allocation
- Create detailed sampling plan
- Discuss plan with all parties involved and adapt plan where necessary
- Check if plan is in line with the output from phase 1 and 2

- Be aware that the first version of the plan might have to be adjusted based on the results of phase 5
- Take into account precision., bias and potential incompatibility
- Think about communication channels for collaborating parties, stakeholders, as well as the wider audience

5. Pilot study

- Test sampling plan at sea (exploratory survey)
- Test collected information: e.g. analyse samples, test data infrastructure, analyse data, run models. Take into account different primary units for different sampling strategies

- Keep in mind this phase might result in an iterative process as:
- The result of the test at sea might change the sampling plan. Additional testing of the new sampling plan might be required
- The result of the analysis of the information collected might change the sampling plan. Additional testing of the new sampling plan is required

6. Survey

- Carry out the survey following the plan

- Communication about the survey, the progress and first results is highly recommended.
- Information exchange between collaborating ships is required
- Coordination of the sampling is required, also to be adaptive to e.g. weather circumstances, technical problems

7. Use of results

- Quality check data
- Analyse samples
- Use data (take into account the different primary units)
- Information exchange with collaborating parties
- If data/samples are not immediately used: store sustainably
- Evaluation and review (internal/external)
- Disseminate information collected (including survey report)

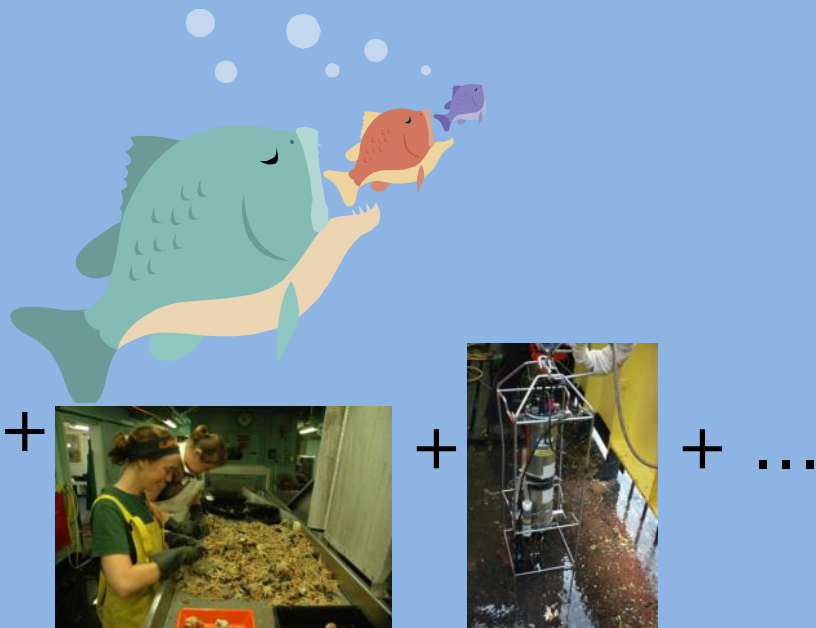
- The results of the analysis might lead to a change in survey design. If major changes occur, go back to phase 3 or 4 and consider if a test is required

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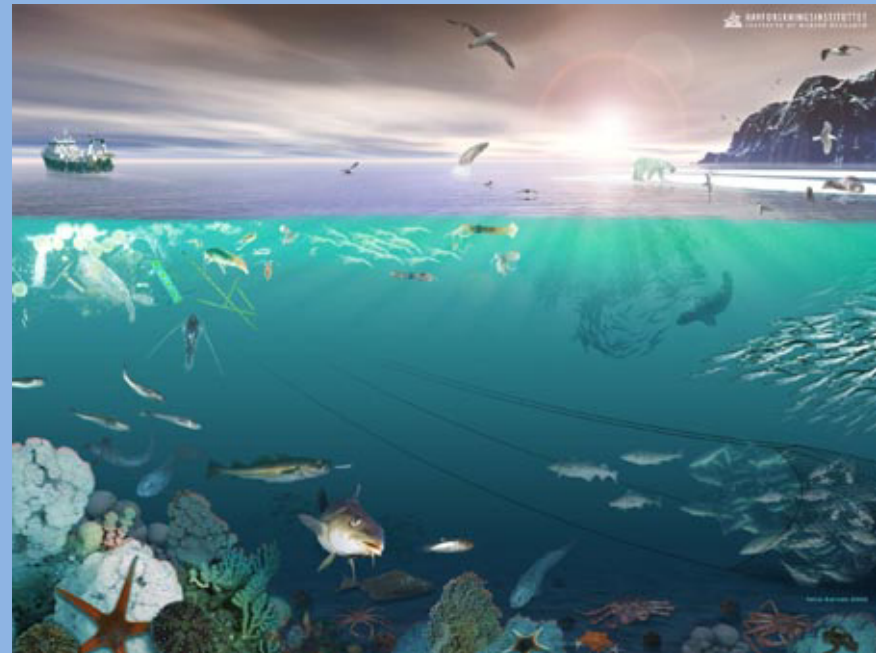
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What to choose?

Things to keep in mind:

- Time-series
- Temporal coverage
- Spatial coverage
- Sampling methodology
- Logistics
- Future
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Opportunities

- Collect as much information from the data collection you already carry out
- Combine different activities that are now carried out separately
- Combine international effort

