

Group work

In your groups, plan a short discussion for a TV show about the expansion of a marine reserve. Discuss potential roles. Later, you should represent their views and opinions. Think about arguments and note down some key words.

The discussion should take about 5 – 7 minutes. You can choose your own means of presentation, but it is important that there are also some votes against an expansion of marine reserves. After an editing time of 20 minutes the discussion should be briefly presented.

Possible roles:

- a host
- Marine biologist or a conservationist
- Tourists who like to travel in coastal areas
- Tourists who like to travel in cities
- Fisher
- Politician
- Audience votes

Thought-provoking impulse:

„ Obama announced that he wants to expand the existing marine protected areas in the Pacific by a decree, nevertheless without consent of Parliament.

Projections have proved that the total area of marine protected areas over the world would be doubled by this.

However, international efforts to protect the oceans are not always feasible and are not supported by all nations. Russia blocked, for example, in 2013, plans for the protection of the Antarctic Ocean.“