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Knowledge on biodiversity change is uneven among the coastal regions of the Americas. Filling observational gaps at these geographic scales is critical to addressing management and policy targets and, thus, requires international cooperation. Coastal nations are in need of a sustainable observing system that improves our understanding of how life in the ocean is changing and how these shifts affect marine living resources. Enabling such observations requires technology transfer between nations and groups, the sharing of information, and capacity building in biodiversity monitoring. This project is harmonizing the collection of biological observations in marine habitats using common methodologies, and sharing best practices.

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