

Cross-Border Education

Students' views on Marine Protected Areas

Introduction to the Cross-Border Education on marine protected areas (MPAs)

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We had the first trial of Cross-Border Education on marine protected areas (MPAs) in the National Museum of Marine Biology & Aquarium/Graduate Institute of Marine Biology, National Dong Hwa University. MPAs are differentially controlled in the Philippines, Taiwan, and Japan. To establish a sustainable society in the Kuroshio region, we have to establish a common regulatory system in these three

countries. For this purpose, we need to share the information of MPAs among these countries. By reading seven students' reports, you will notice the differences in terms of regulation of MPAs from each stand point of view. Opportunities of Cross-Border Education will nurture the people to regulate the MPAs in a common way to establish a sustainable society in the Kuroshio region. Two papers on MPAs are published in *Kuroshio Science: Recent Advances in the Management of Marine Protected Areas in the Philippines* by Wilfredo L. Campos and Porfirio M. Aliño (*Kuroshio Science*, 2: 29-34, 2008); *Houbihu MPA, the First One Beyond the Paper*, in Taiwan by Keryea Soong (*Kuroshio Science*, 6: 25-26, 2012)..



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