

Regional Seas

18 Regional Seas
Conventions and Action
Plans, 7 administered by
UN Environment

East Asian Seas Action Plan 1994

Action Plan for the
Protection and
Sustainable Development
of the Marine and Coastal
Areas of the East Asian
Seas Region

Countries

Cambodia, China,
Indonesia, Republic of
Korea, Malaysia,
Philippines, Singapore,
Thailand, Vietnam

Governance

Intergovernmental
meeting; Secretariat
hosted by Thailand and
administered by UNEP

COBSEA monitoring, assessment and evaluation

Strategic Directions 2018-2022

Land-based marine pollution; Marine and coastal planning and management; Governance

“Provide an effective regional policy mechanism for the coastal and marine environment”

Measures and activities
Terminal evaluation

Regional Action Plan on Marine Litter

Land-based sources; Sea-based sources;
Monitoring and assessment; Enabling conditions

Priority actions; Working Group on Marine Litter,
rolling workplan



COBSEA effectiveness

Basis for effectiveness evaluation in current efforts

- operational and management controls
- environmental pressures and status

e.g. marine litter: priority actions, rolling workplans, monitoring and reporting

COBSEA SDG implementation outlook (for consideration at IGM25)

Global strategic directions of the Regional Seas:

iv) Enhance effectiveness of Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans

