

Marine Conservation Agreements – A Practitioner’s Toolkit

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ELEMENTS AND VARIABLES OF MARINE CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS						
MECHANISMS		PARTIES (GOVERNANCE)		BENEFITS		EXAMPLES
Formal	Informal	Grantor (right-holder)	Grantee	Incentive	Protection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase & sale • Lease • Easement • License • Permit • Concession • Contract 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal • Handshake • Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government • Private entity • Indigenous people & local community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NGOs • Communities • Ecotourism companies • Aqua-culturalists • Other for-profits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct payments • Social services • Infrastructure • Employment • Culture • Pride 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ownership • Management • Use -access, -harvest, -development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chile • Costa Rica • Ecuador • Mexico • Tanzania • Tropical Isl. • U.S.
DURATION CAN BE DEFINED OR UNDEFINED		LEAD IMPLEMENTER CAN BE RIGHT-HOLDER OR GRANTEE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavior changes • Laws/regulations • Private MPAs • Community MPAs • State/Fed'l MPAs 		