

Top: All coral reef MPAs classified according to the average of their scores in the attributes analyzed (i.e. regulations on extraction, levels of poaching and risk, size and isolation). For simplicity, the resulting averages were categorized into four groups representing a hierarchical order, from adequate to very limited, in the quality of the analyzed attributes.

Bottom: Gaps in the current global network quantified as the number of MPAs, of 10km² and spaced at 15 km from each other, that would fill the area of coral reefs that is not covered by the existing MPAs.

