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On the Road to Rio+20: Report Cards on How Well Are We Doing in Implementing Global Commitments on Oceans and Political Dynamics of the Rio+20 Process

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This presentation assesses, through a series of "report cards," the extent of progress achieved (or lack thereof) in meeting global ocean commitments emanating from the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio and the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg. This analysis has been prepared by the authors in the context of UN negotiations on the Rio+20 summit (United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, June 2012). The presentation addresses the political dynamics of the negotiations and speculates about possible outcomes.