

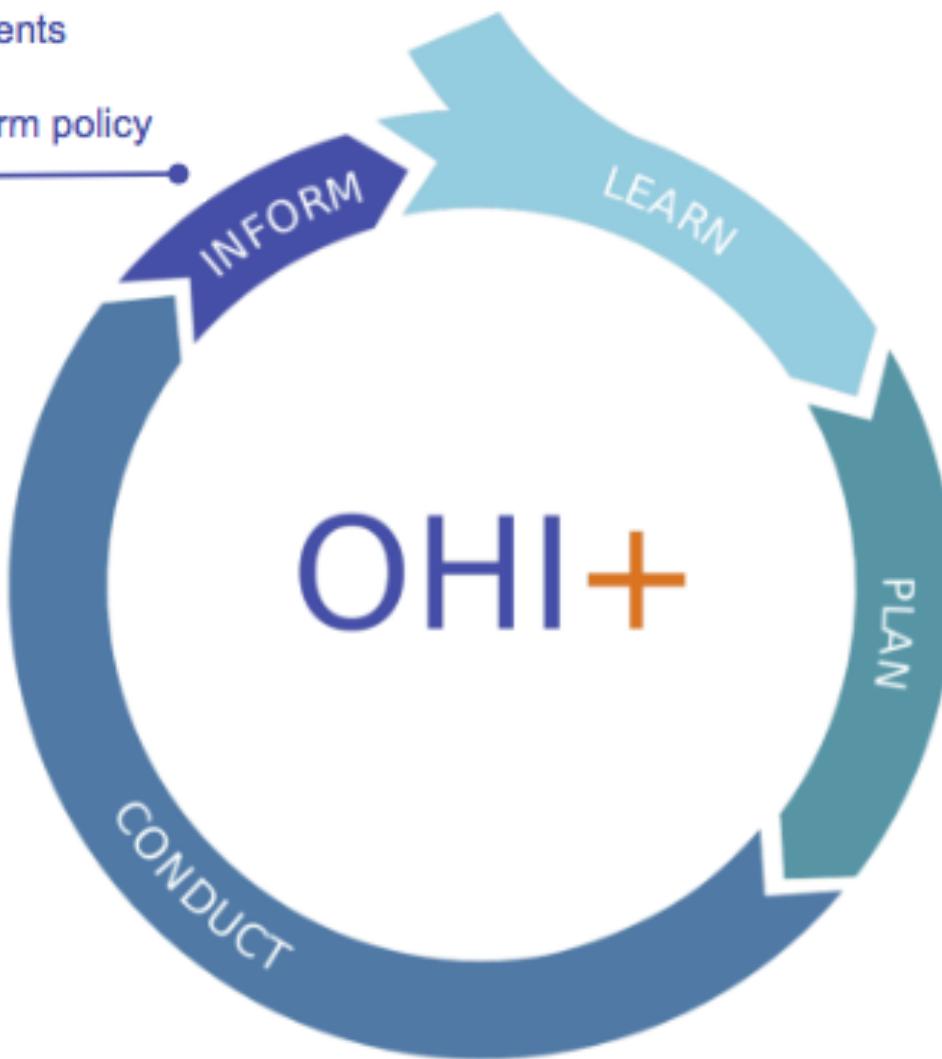
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Inform and Support Decision-making

Guide future assessments

Interpret scores & inform policy



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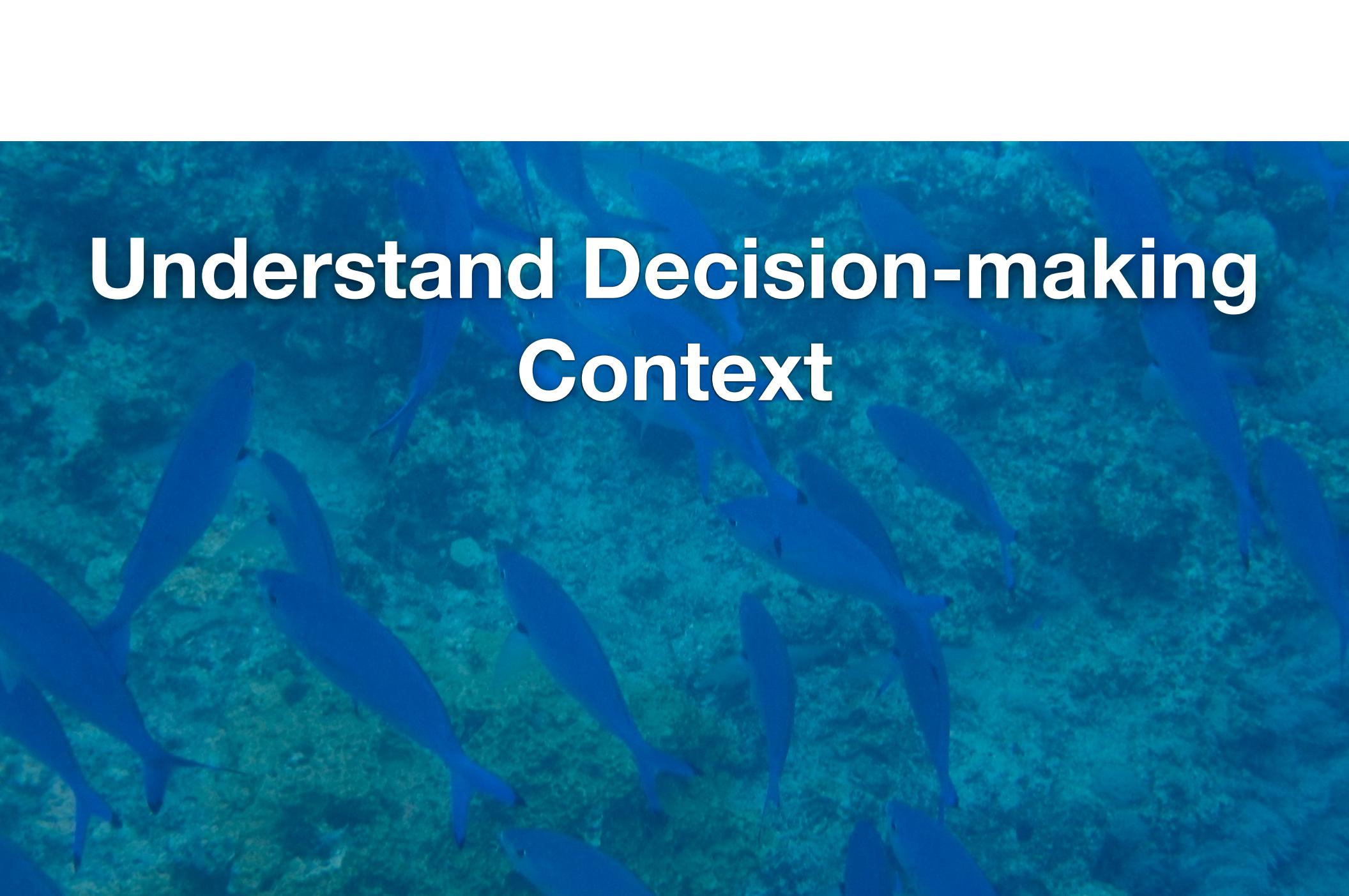


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How to communicate the results of your assessment effectively to your multiple audiences?

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Address possible ways to improve results

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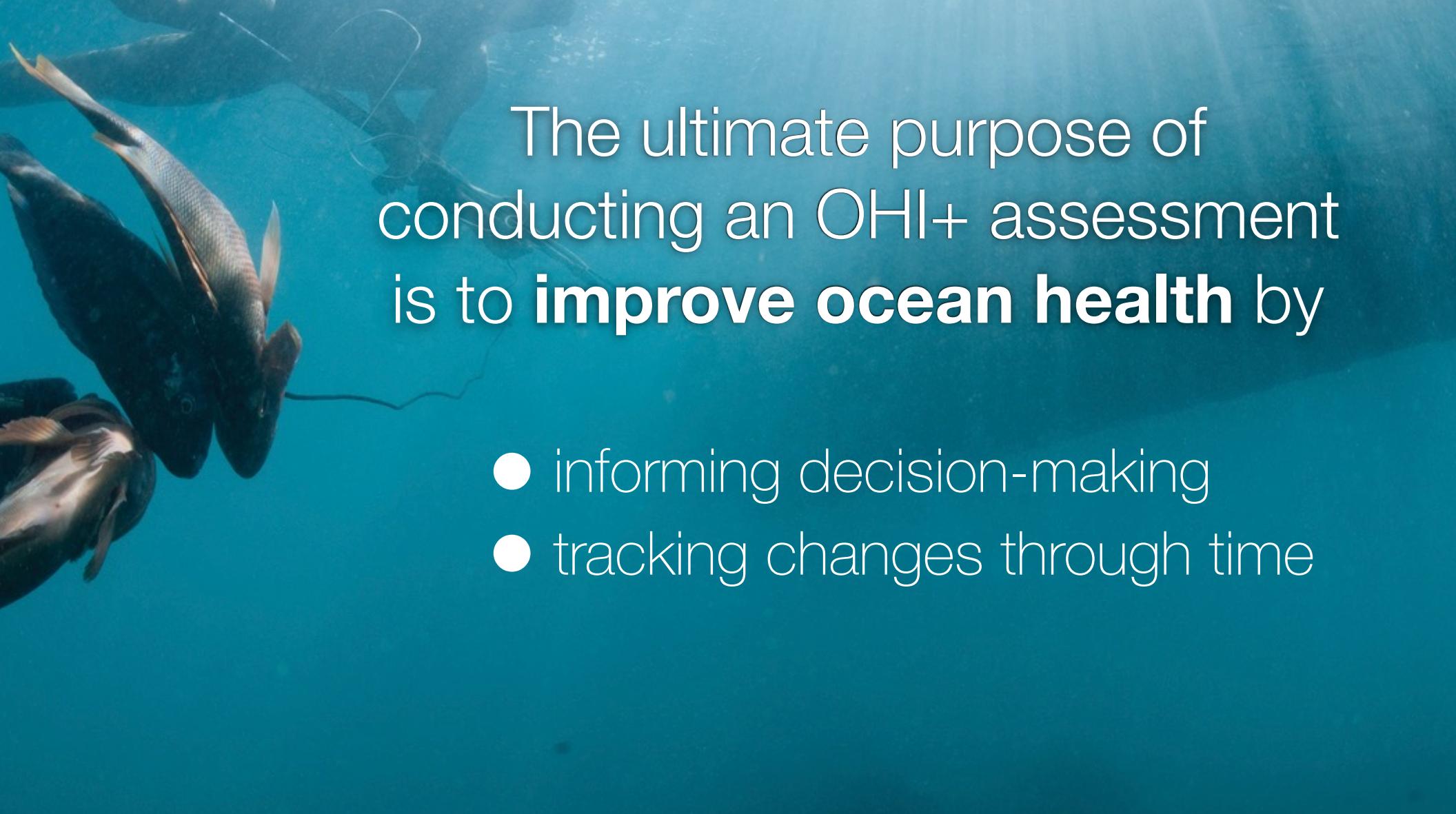
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Implement adaptive management principles

A photograph of an underwater scene. On the left, several fish of different species swim in various directions. In the center, a scuba diver wearing a full diving suit and mask is visible, swimming towards the right. The water is a clear, vibrant blue.

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A photograph showing a diver in a wetsuit and mask swimming through a school of fish in clear, turquoise-blue ocean water. The fish are silvery with some darker patterns on their fins.

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- informing decision-making
- tracking changes through time

A composite image featuring two distinct scenes. The upper scene shows a man with a beard and mustache, shirtless, seated in a traditional wooden outrigger boat on a body of water. He is holding a long wooden pole. The lower scene is an underwater view of a coral reef, showing various types of coral in shades of green, brown, and yellow. The two scenes are stacked vertically.

Thank You!
Questions?

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