

**The Nippon Foundation – GEBCO Seabed 2030 Project  
Year 3 Report**

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**Summary:**

Year 3 of The Nippon Foundation-GEBCO Seabed 2030 Project ran from 1 August 2019 until 31 July 2020.

Each year the Project submits an annual report to GGC for endorsement. At GGC37, we will present a brief overview of Year 3 highlights, and thereafter provide opportunity for the GGC to ask questions and to discuss the report.

This Report was originally presented to GGC at the October 2018 Intersessional Meeting. In the intervening period very minor amendments have been made to 7 of the sections and also Appendices 11, 12a and 12b have been attached. For ease of reference, changes are highlighted in the table below.

**Action requested:**

Following review the Seabed 2030 Year 3 Annual Report presented at the 26 October 2020 Intersessional Meeting, at GGC35, the Committee are invited to:

- *Seek* any points of clarification
- *Endorse* the Year 3 Annual Report

**Related documents:**

The Nippon Foundation-GEBCO Seabed 2030 Project Year 3 Annual Report consisting of the main report and associated appendices.

Table of Changes below.

**Changes to the Seabed 2030 Year 3 Report since presentation at the Intersessional GGC Meeting on 26 October 2020**

<b><u>Document Section</u></b>	<b><u>Document Subsection</u></b>	<b><u>Detail</u></b>
Throughout	Throughout	Removal of “ <i>Draft</i> ” watermark
<i>Executive Summary</i>	Final Paragraph	Minor grammatical/text changes
<i>Table of Appendices</i>		Appendix 11 and Appendix 12 added
<i>Introduction</i>	First paragraph	Removal of final sentence concerning this report: “ <i>It is offered initially in draft pending GGC ratification.</i> ”
<i>D4.5.1 – Catalogue of data contributions through Map the Remote Gaps initiative</i>	Final paragraph	Final sentence adjusted to read: “ <i>This work was scheduled for October 2020 but will occur now in early 2021.</i> ”
<i>D5.1.2 – Year 3 finance ledger is accurate and Project run to budget.</i>		Text added detailing status of funds for combined Y1 &Y2, and for Year 3.
<i>D5.1.6 – Diary of Year 3 engagement demonstrating GEBCO contribution to Seabed 2030</i>		New text added and connection to consolidation of detail with <i>Task D5.3.2 – Catalogue of events and meetings attended</i>
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<i>Appendix 11</i>		Year 2 Finance Report attached
<i>Appendix 12 a &amp; b</i>		Year 3 Finance Report attached