

A world map showing the global distribution of ocean thermal energy conversion (OTEC) resources. The map uses a color scale from blue (low potential) to red (high potential). High potential areas are concentrated in the tropical regions, particularly in the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans. The text is overlaid on the map.

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**“BATHYMETRY DATA ANALYSIS OF THE OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY CONVERSION (OTEC)  
RESOURCE”**

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# INTRODUCTION TO OTEC

## **OTEC LEGAL DEFINITION:**

“OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY CONVERSION”

“... a method of converting part of the heat from the Sun which is stored in the surface layers of a body of water into electrical energy or energy product equivalent”;

[Pub. L. 96-310, Sec. 9, July 17, 1980, 94 Stat. 946.]

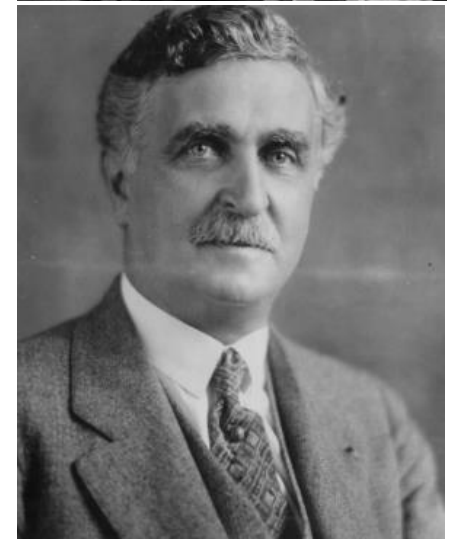
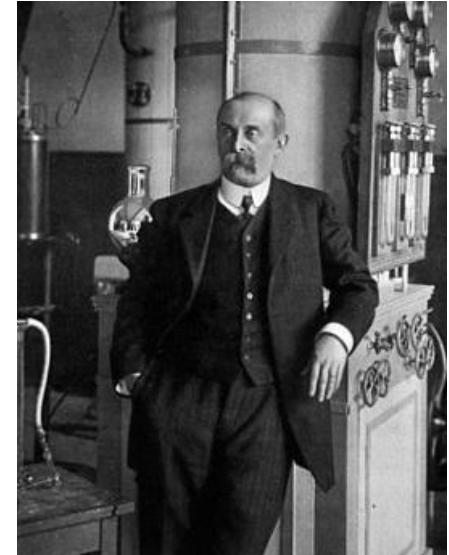
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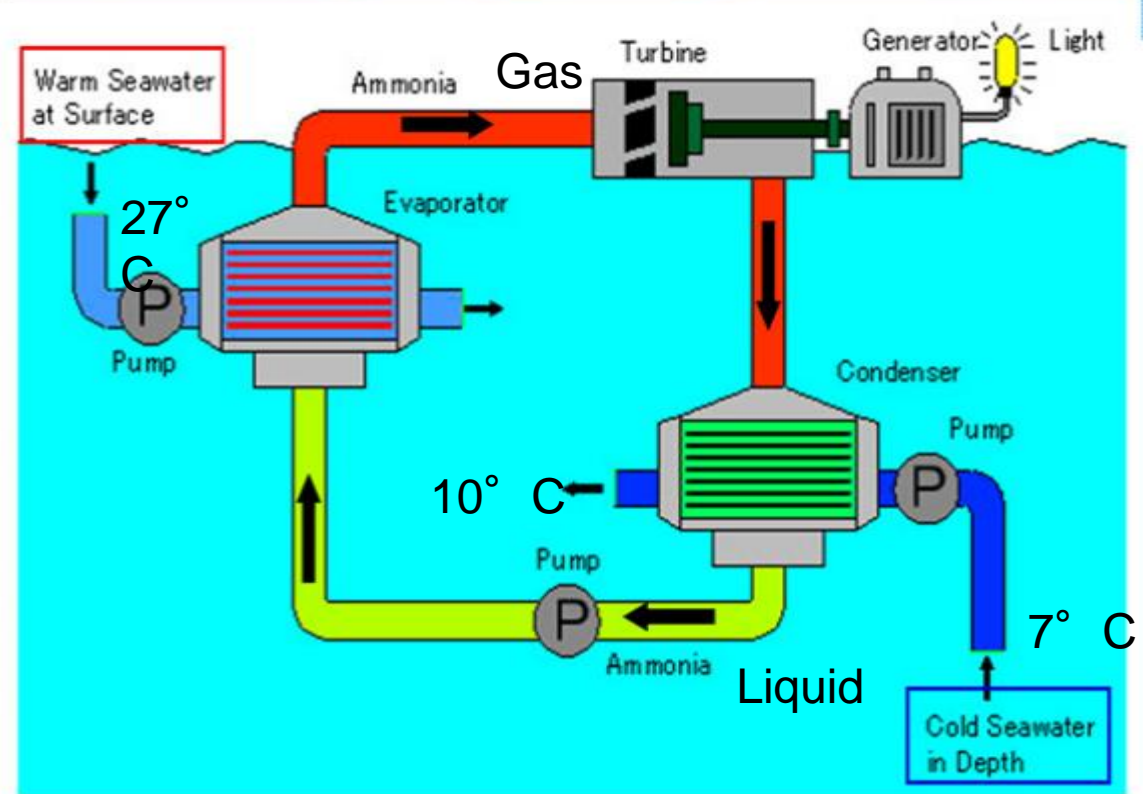
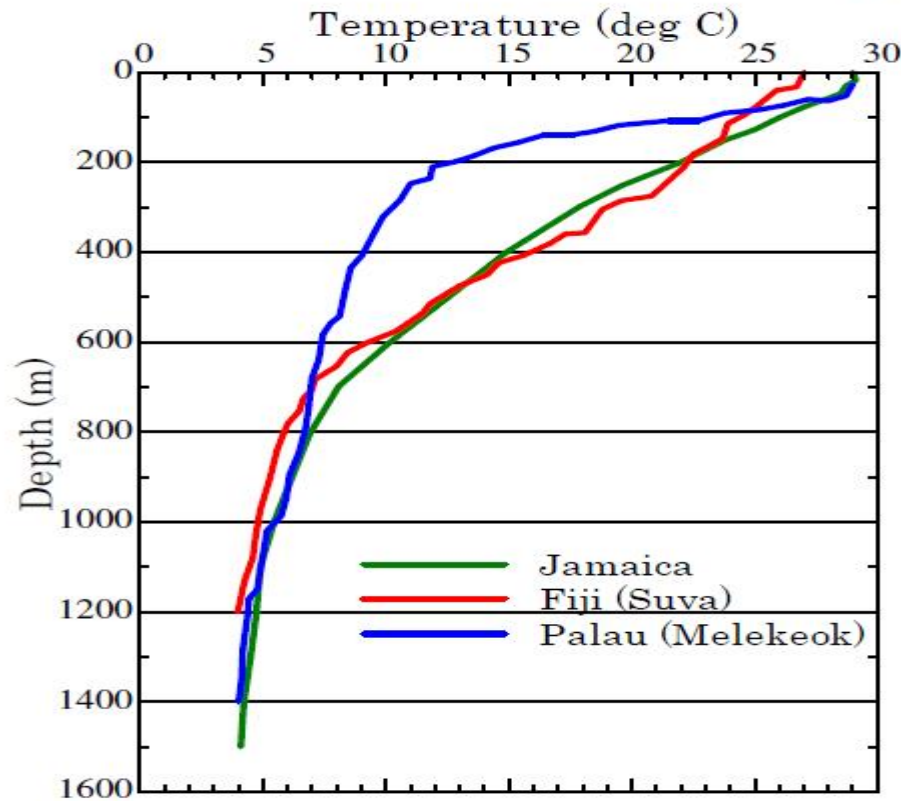
# INTRODUCTION TO OTEC

## HISTORY OF OTEC

- In 1881, Jacques Arsene d'Arsonval, a French physicist, was the first to propose tapping the thermal energy of the ocean.
- Georges Claude, a student of d'Arsonval's, built an experimental open-cycle system at Matanzas Bay, Cuba in 1930.
- The system produced 22 kilowatts (kW) of electricity by using a low pressure turbine.



# Principle of OTEC



# OTEC Revenue Streams, other than that of Power



Temperate Produce



“Import Substitutions”

High Value Produce



Capture-Fisheries

Health & Cosmetics



Ms Earth Japan, 2012

Lithium Production

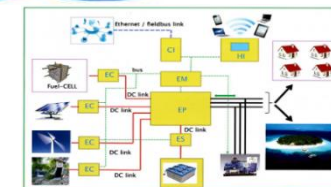
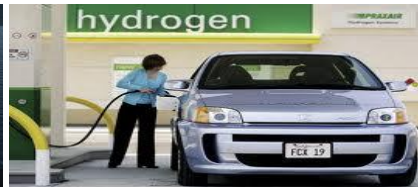


Picture 5: Lithium extraction facility

Mineral H2O



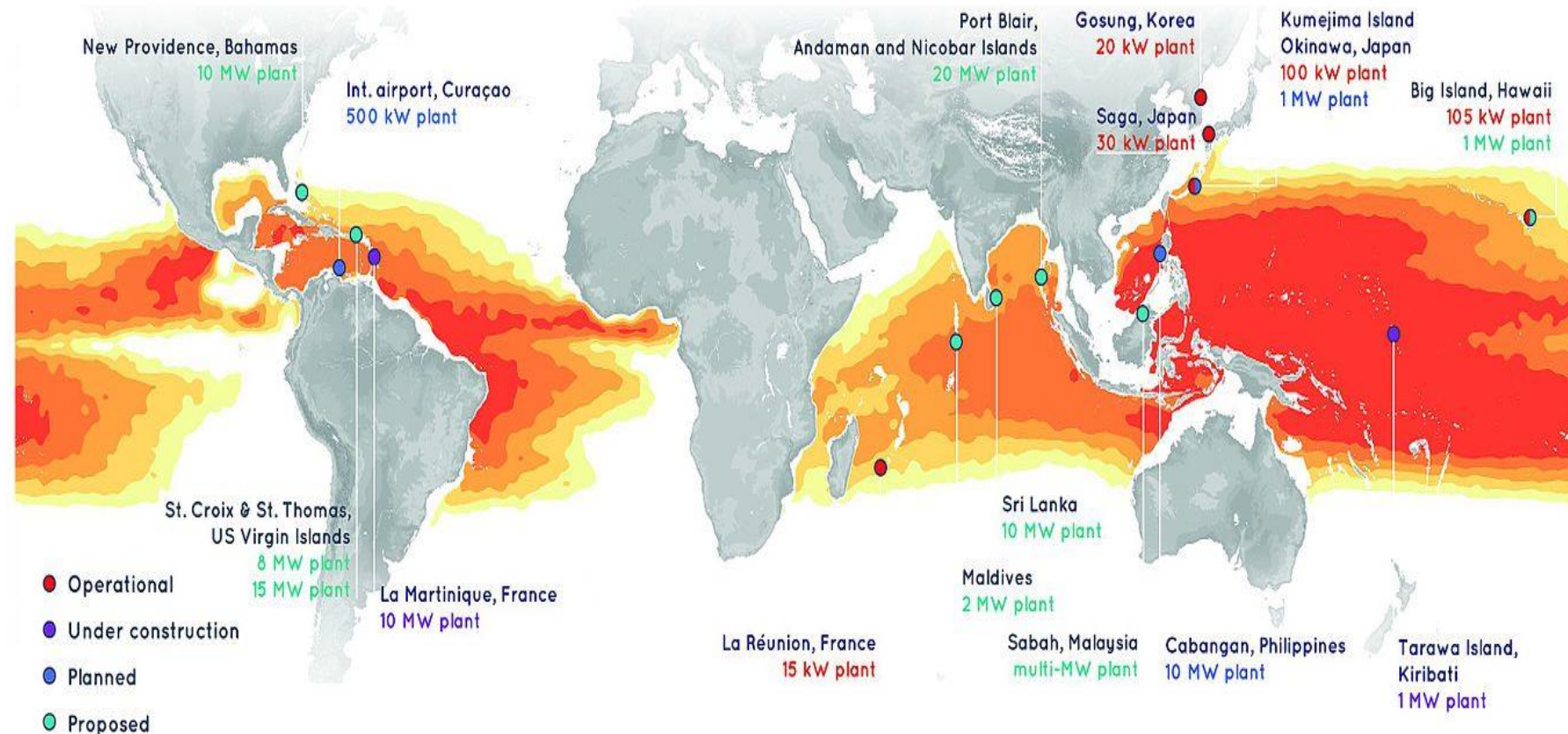
OTEC-H2



Smart-Grid  
With  
All  
Renewables

[Stand-alone Power Systems]

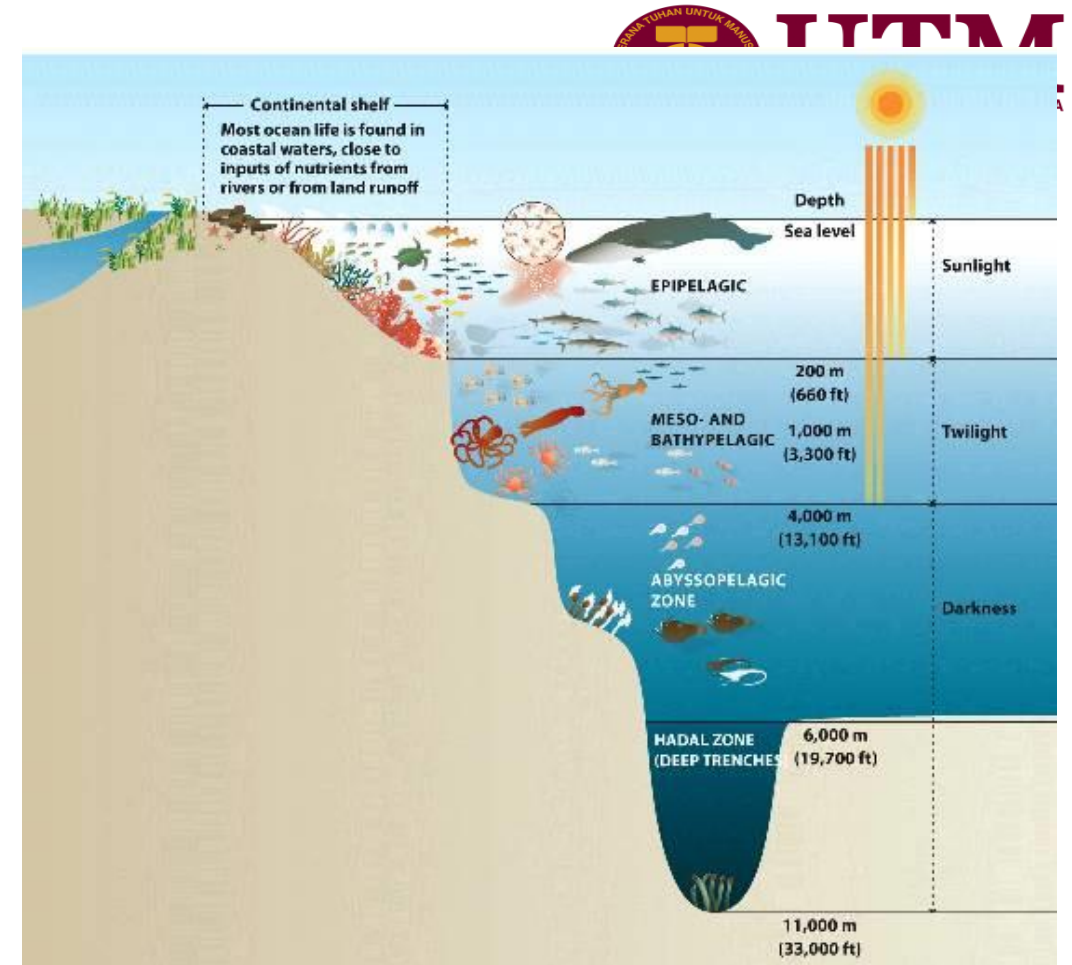
# OTEC POTENTIAL



A large number of island states in the Caribbean and Pacific Ocean have **OTEC resources within 10 km of their shores**. OTEC seems especially suitable and economically viable for remote islands in tropical seas where generation can be combined with other functions e.g., **air-conditioning** and **fresh water production**.

# HOW DEEP IS DEEP SEA WATER?

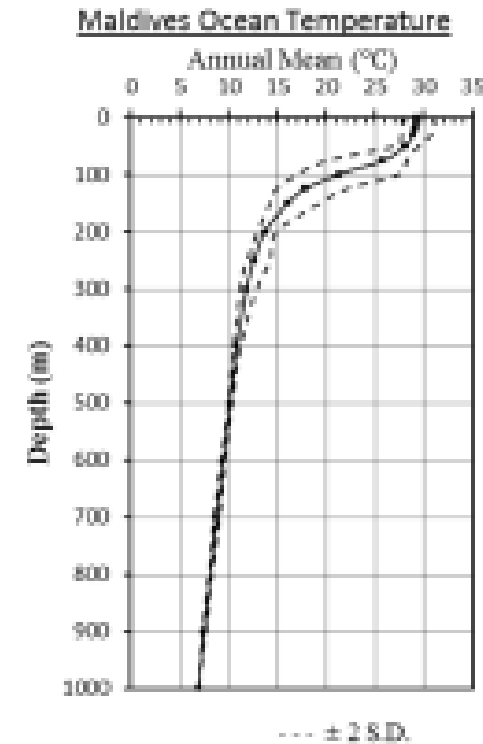
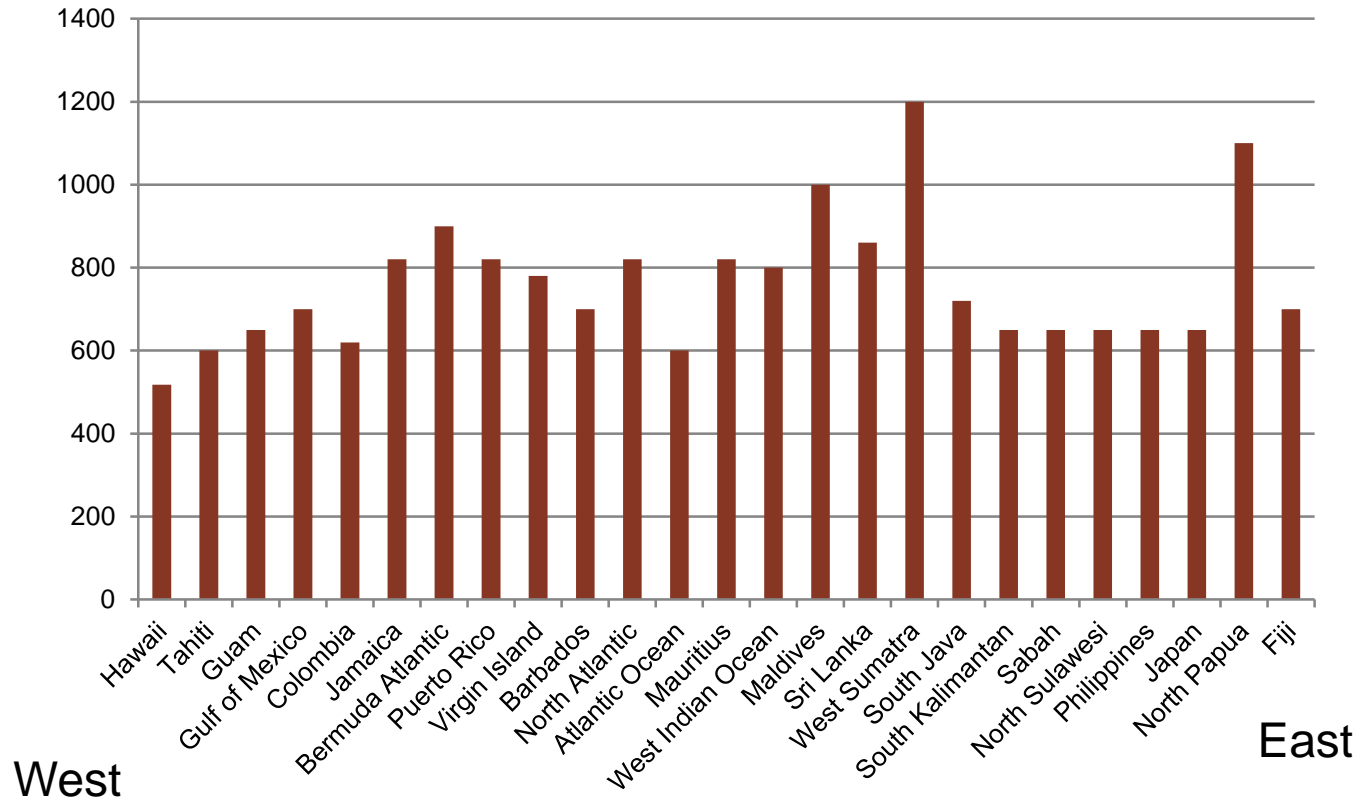
- Deep sea water (DSW) commonly refers to a body of seawater that's is pumped up from a depth of over 200m.
- It is usually associated with the following characteristics:
  1. low temperature
  2. high purity
  3. rich with nutrients, namely, beneficial elements, which include magnesium, calcium, potassium, chromium, selenium, zinc, and vanadium.
  4. Less photosynthesis of plant planktons



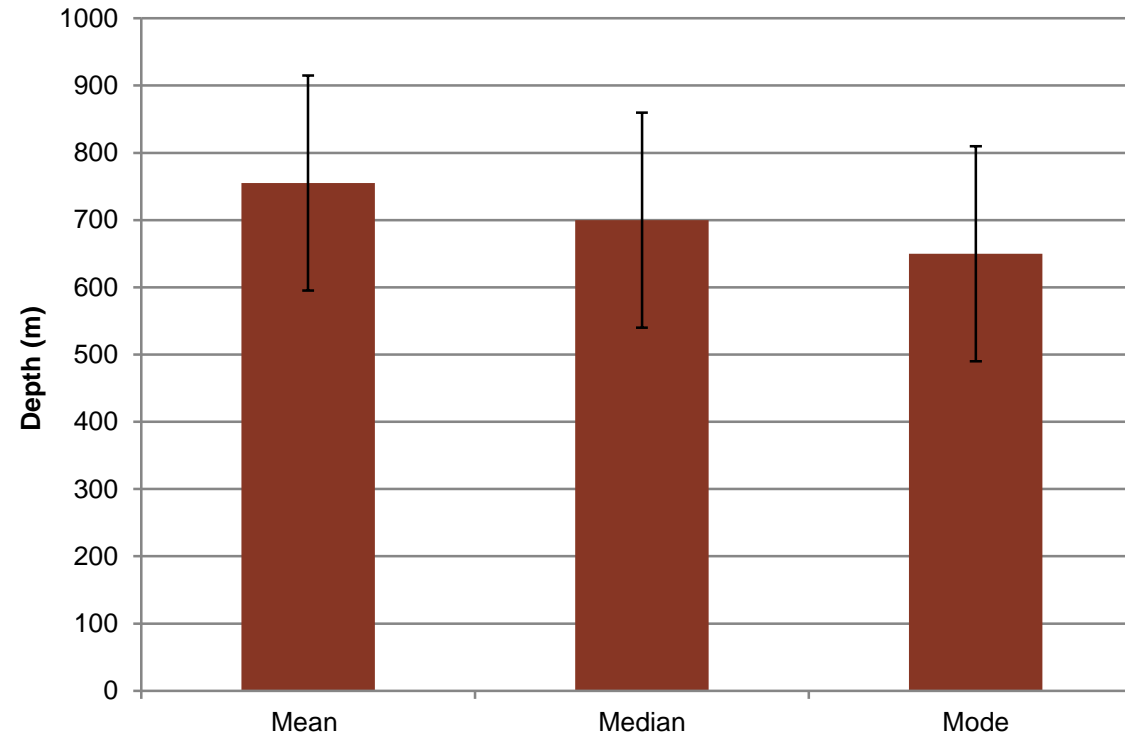
In OTEC system, DSW temperature must be having at least 20°C temperature difference with surface water. **What is the DSW temperature if the surface water is 27°C?**



# OTEC RESOURCE ASSESSMENT & POTENTIAL IN THE TROPICS



# STATISTICAL DATA ON OCEAN DEPTH @7DEGREE C



Range: 700 m- 800 m

# CONSIDERATION FACTOR IN CHOOSING OTEC SITE

- OTEC System (Open Cycle, Closed Cycle)
- Type of OTEC Plant (offshore, onshore or fixed platform)
- Distance of proposed OTEC Plant to the 700 m depths (7°C deep sea water temperature)



offshore, onshore and fixed platform

# CHOOSING OTEC SITE

- In this study, a simple method was introduced to determine OTEC potential sites using online database and software's.
- By using the software's, the best OTEC project that suited the above consideration could be proposed to the interested stakeholders.



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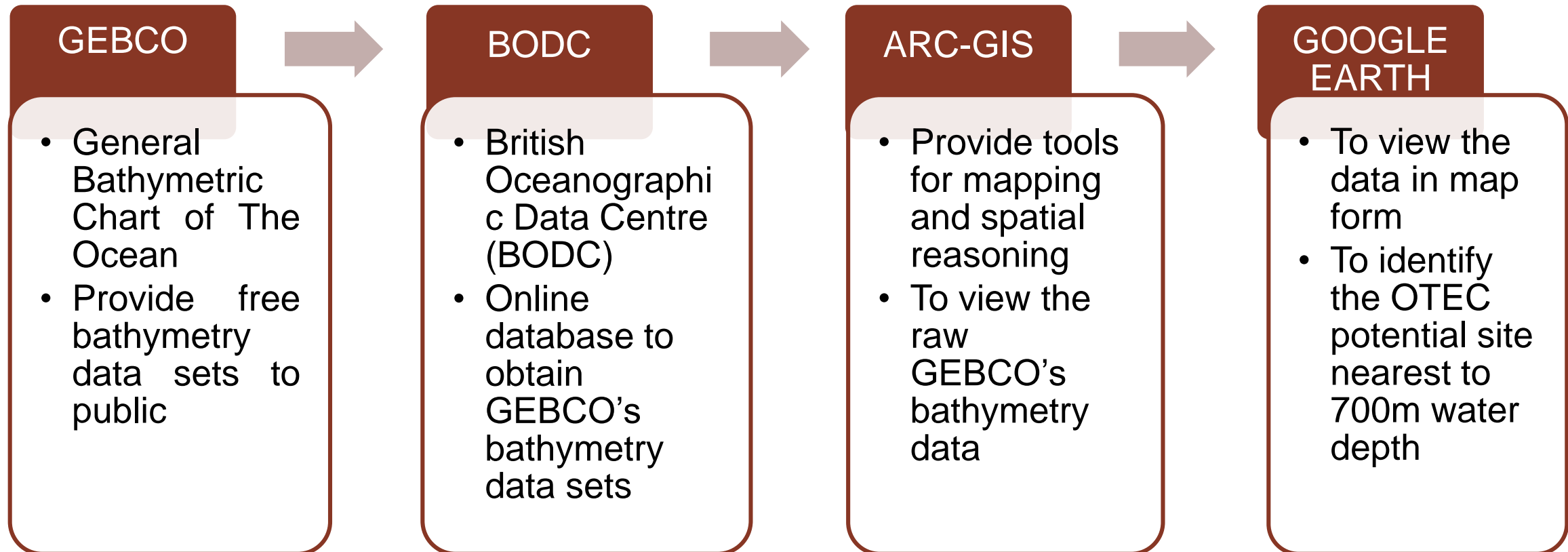
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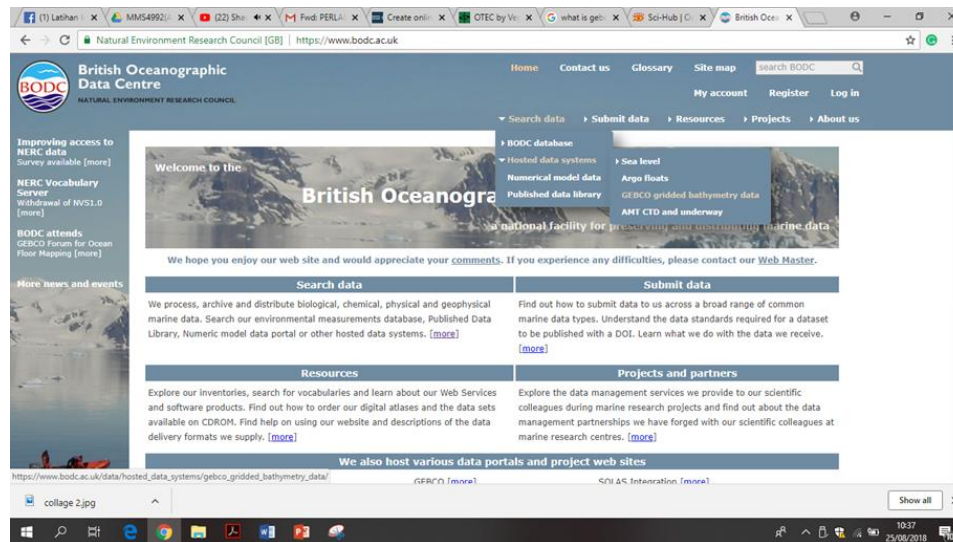


# METHOD TO IDENTIFY OTEC POTENTIAL SITE



# A. GEBCO DATABASE

- 1 Access the bodc.uk to obtain GEBCO data. Sign up if you are new or login to your account.
- 2 Click the Hosted Data Systems and click the GEBCO gridded bathymetry data

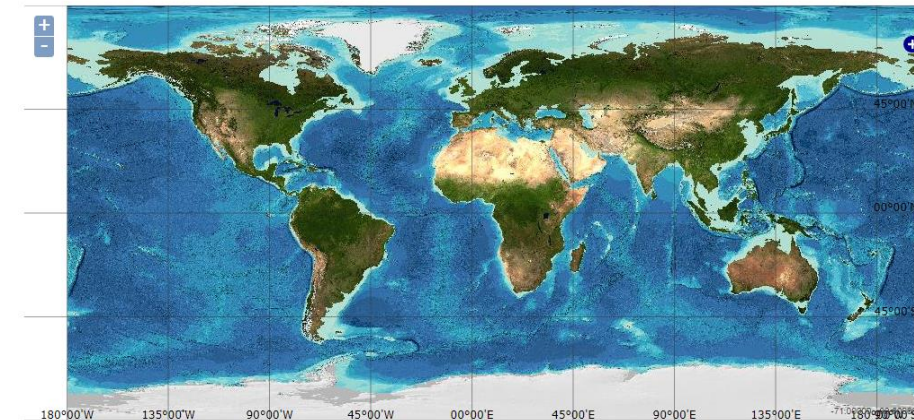


- 3 Select your data. Choose any country that we want to identify the OTEC potential site

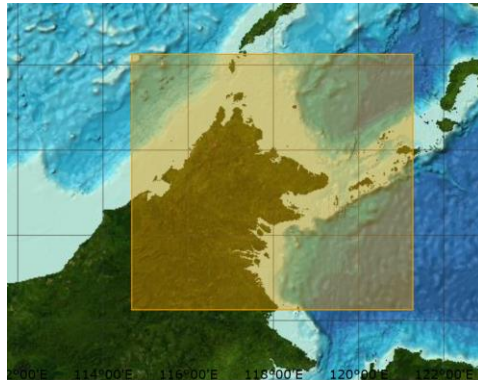
## Select your data set

From the table and map below, select your grid and the area of interest. Add your selection to the basket and repeat the process as required. Once you are happy with your selection(s) view the basket and checkout your request to start file preparation.

Use the '+' button in the top right-hand corner of the map to select to display the GEBCO Source Identifier (SID) Grid. It shows those grid cells for which the data in the GEBCO Grid are based on bathymetric sounding or grid values. It is best viewed at a zoomed in level to appreciate the detail in the data set.



#### 4 Example of data being select; Sabah



#### 5 After select the data, tick the INT16 GeoTIFF (data) and then click add to basket

GEBCO\_2014 Grid (30 arc-second interval)

The GEBCO\_2014 Grid is a continuous terrain model for ocean and land with a spatial resolution of 30 arc-seconds. It was generated by combining quality-controlled ship depth soundings with interpolation between sounding points guided by satellite-derived gravity data. Where they improve on the existing grid, data sets developed by other methods are included. Further information can be found in the data set documentation. The complete global grid file in compressed form is 1.1 Gbytes. [More information](#).

Available data options	Available formats	Select
User-defined area* or global grid	2D netCDF	<input type="checkbox"/>
Global grid	1D netCDF	<input type="checkbox"/>
User-defined area*	INT16 GeoTIFF (data)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
User-defined area*	ESRI ASCII	<input type="checkbox"/>

\*maximum area allowed is 10800 grid cells by 10800 grid cells, this is equal to an area of 90 degrees by 90 degrees

GEBCO\_2014 Source Identifier (SID) Grid (30 arc-second interval)

GEBCO One Minute Grid (1 arc-minute interval)

[Add data to basket](#) [View basket](#)

#### 6 Click view basket and checkout your request.

My account

### Basket

The table below shows the items in your basket.

- To submit your request and view its (and others) status — use the 'Checkout your request' button
- To remove items — simply use the 'Delete' button

To add more items you may return to the application from which you came (when appropriate) via the 'Return' button. Alternatively, use the web site navigation.

Your basket contains 1 items.

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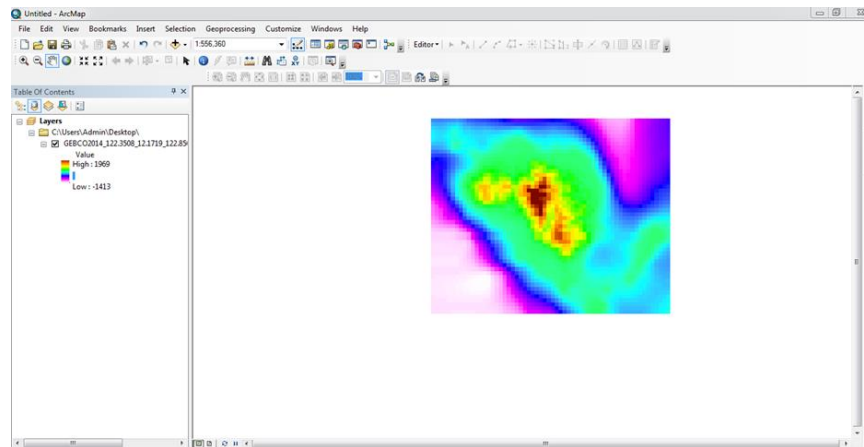
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#### 7 Data is available for download.

# B. ARCGIS SOFTWARE

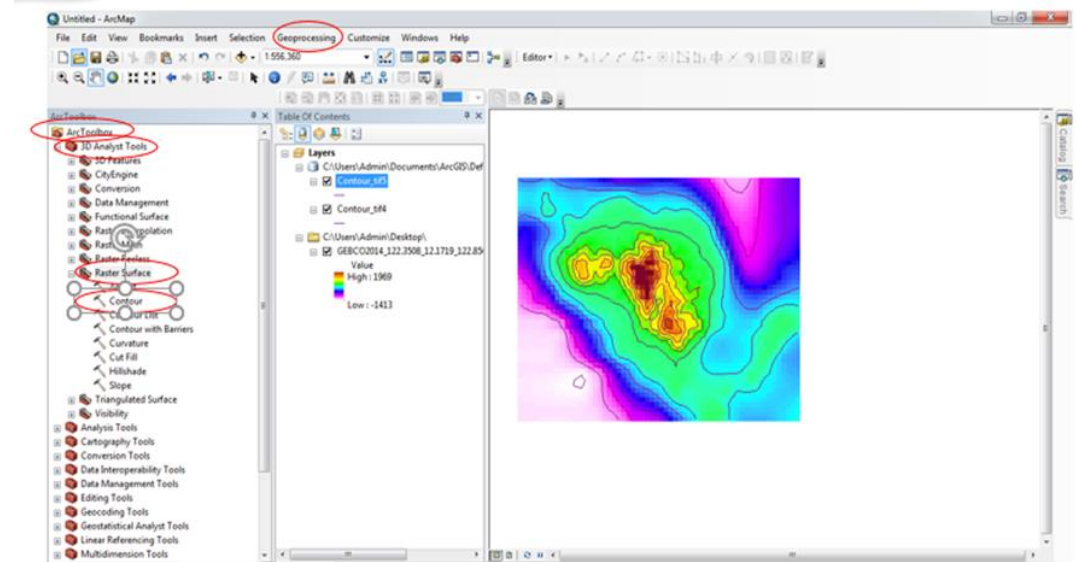
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Open the download data from GEBCO in the Arc-GIS. As soon it opens, it will come out. Immediately change black-white-grey color to the 'rainbow color'.



2

Click the Geoprocessing, then click Arc toolbox, 3D Analyst tool, Raster Surface and lastly click Contour.



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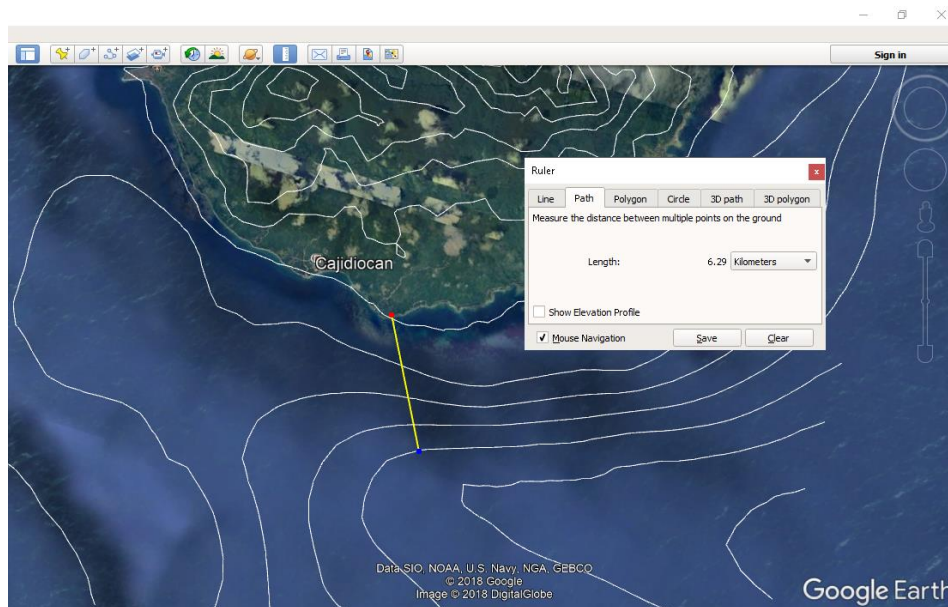
After done contour, click window. Search for the Layer to KML and click it. After that, data is ready to be save



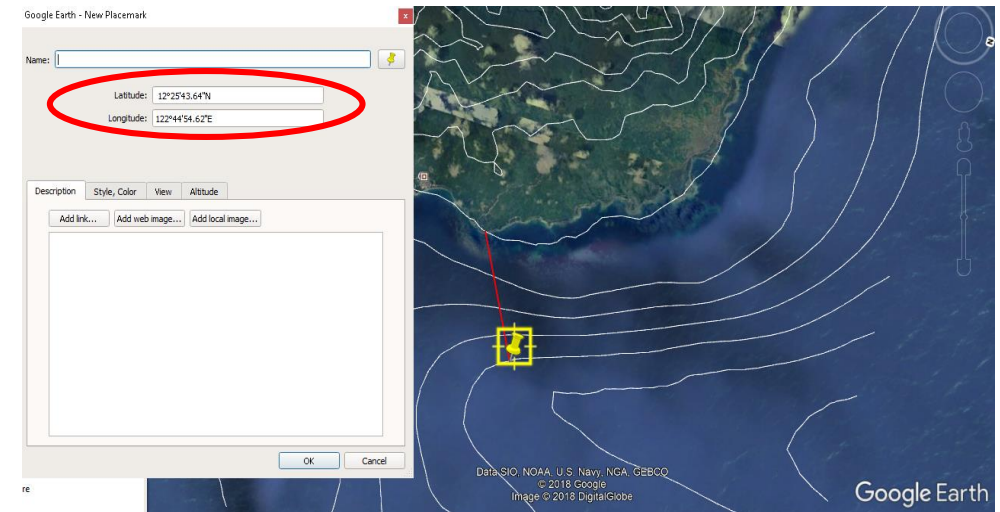
# C. GOOGLE EARTH

1 Open the save file from the Arc-GIS

2 Click 'Show Ruler' to identify the distance of OTEC potential site to the nearest 700m water depth.



3 Click 'Add Placemark' in order to obtain the latitude and longitude of the OTEC potential site



# CASE STUDY 1: KUME ISLAND



- OTEC potential in Kume Island located alongside north east coast.
- Kume Island nearest OTEC Potential located less than 5km from shore.
- Xenesys have build one OTEC site

Closed Cycle  
Onshore Platform  
Distance of proposed  
OTEC plant to 700m  
depth is 3.4km

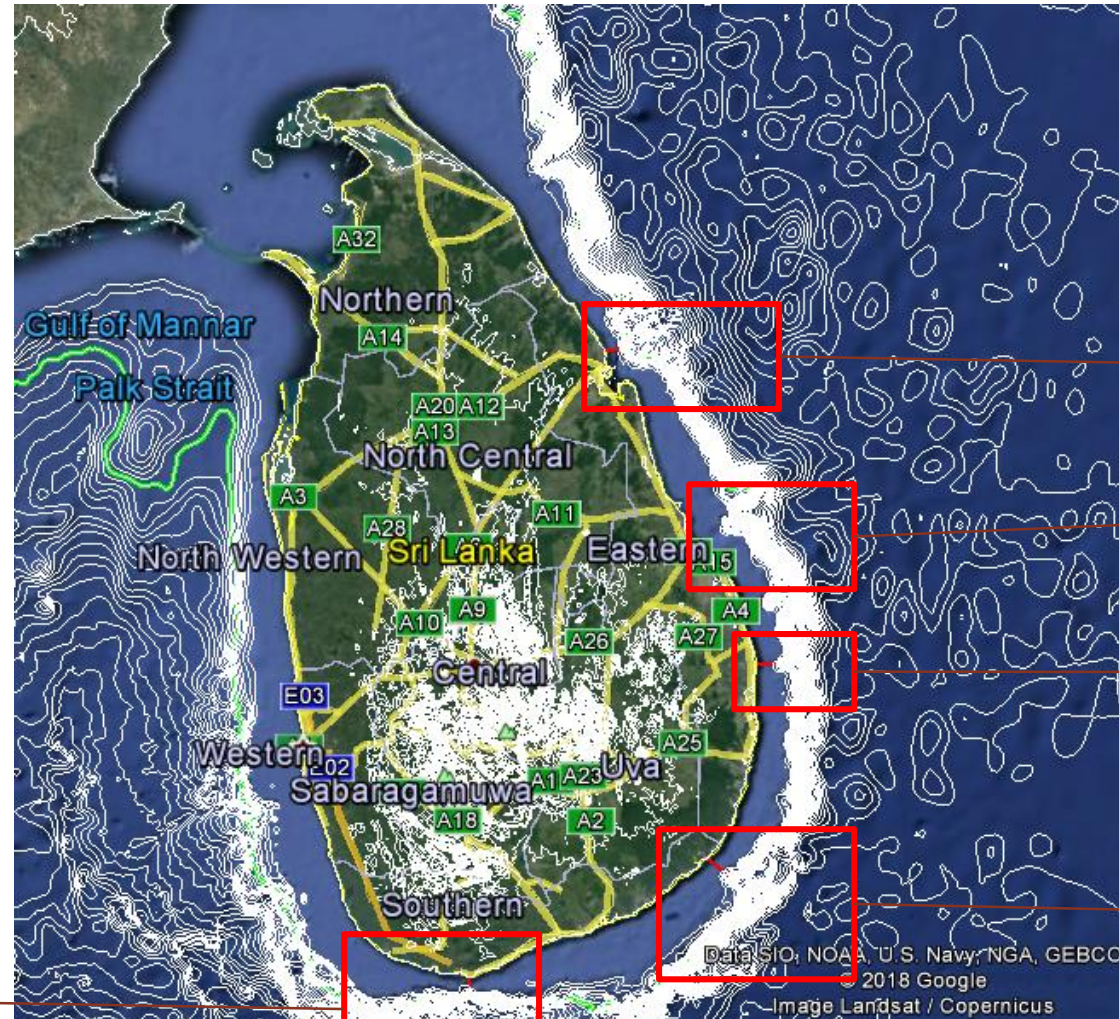


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Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC)  
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# CASE STUDY 2: SRI LANKA



# SRI LANKA OTEC POTENTIAL SITE AT NEAREST 1000M



Site 1

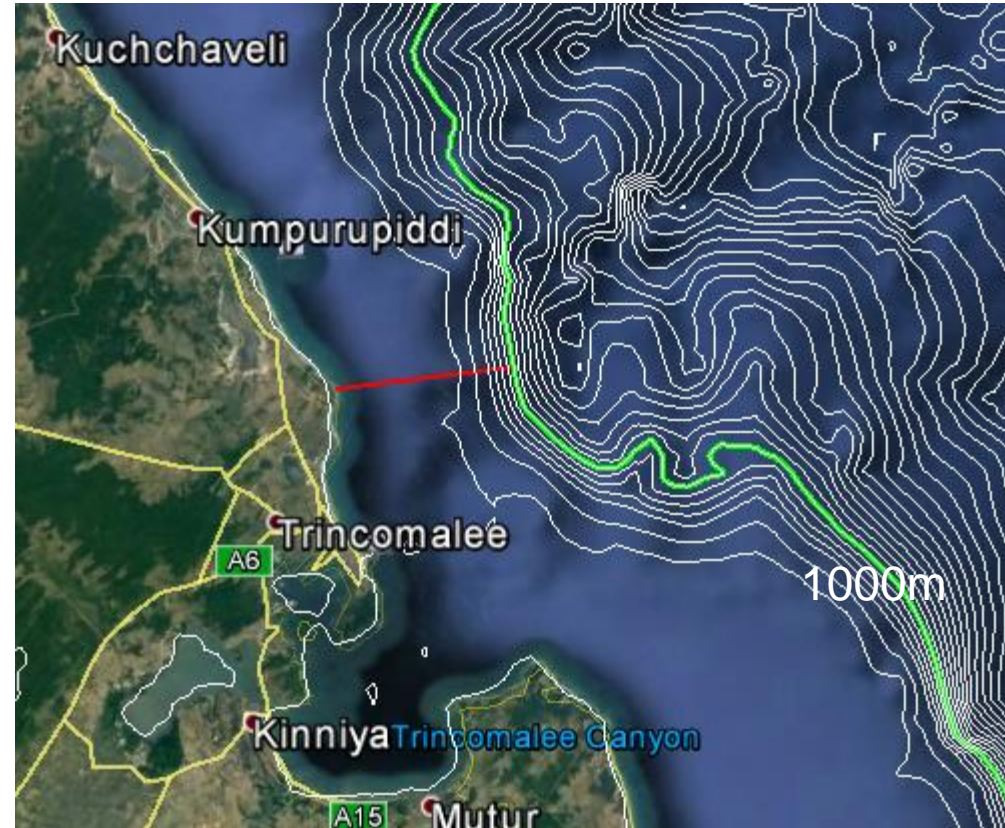
Site 2

Site 3

Site 4

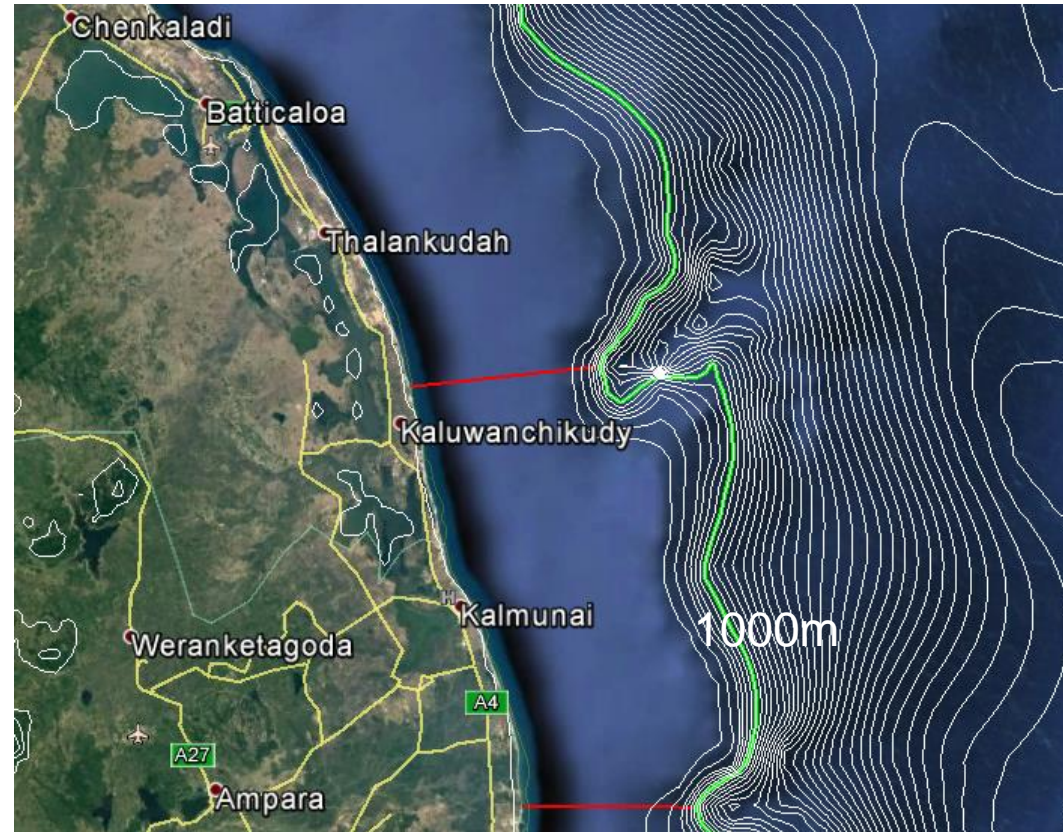
Site 5

# SITE 1- OFF TRINCOMALEÈ



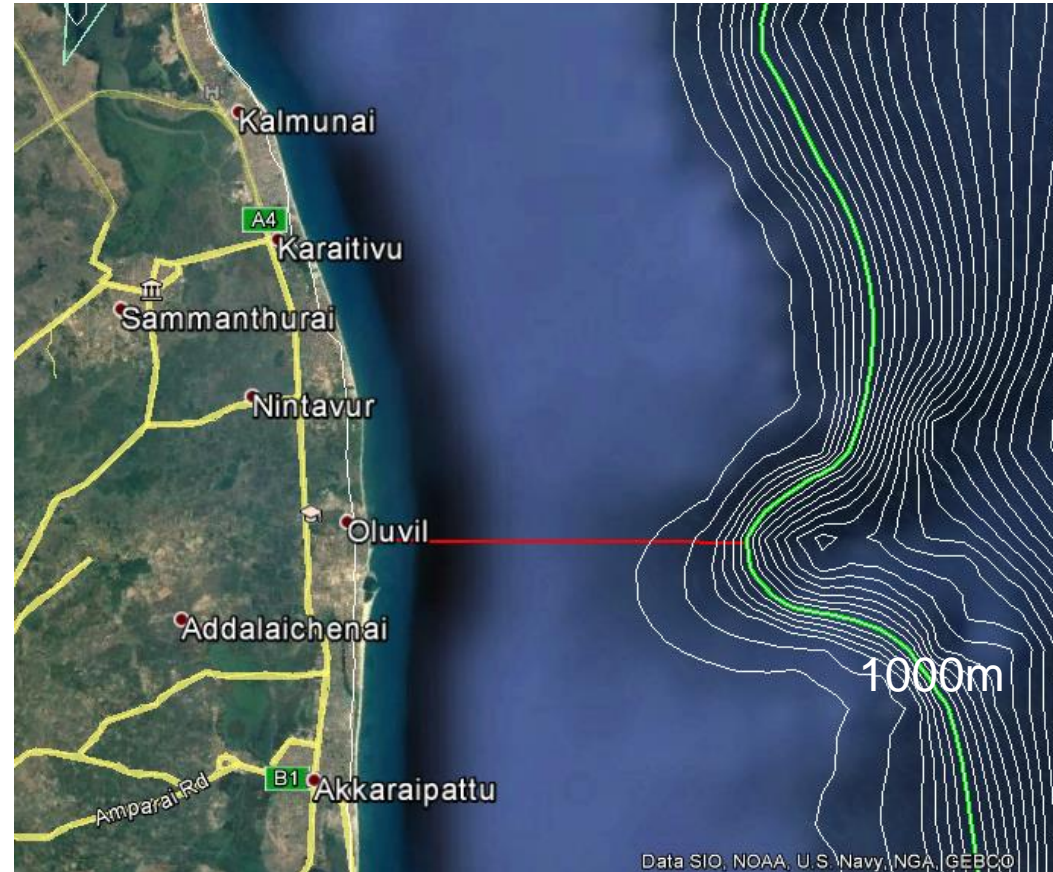
Proposed Site	Coordinate	Distance to nearest 1000m water depth (KM)
1	<b>8°39'46.89"N</b> <b>81°18'33.96"E</b>	9.35

# SITE 2- OFF KALUWANCHIKUDY



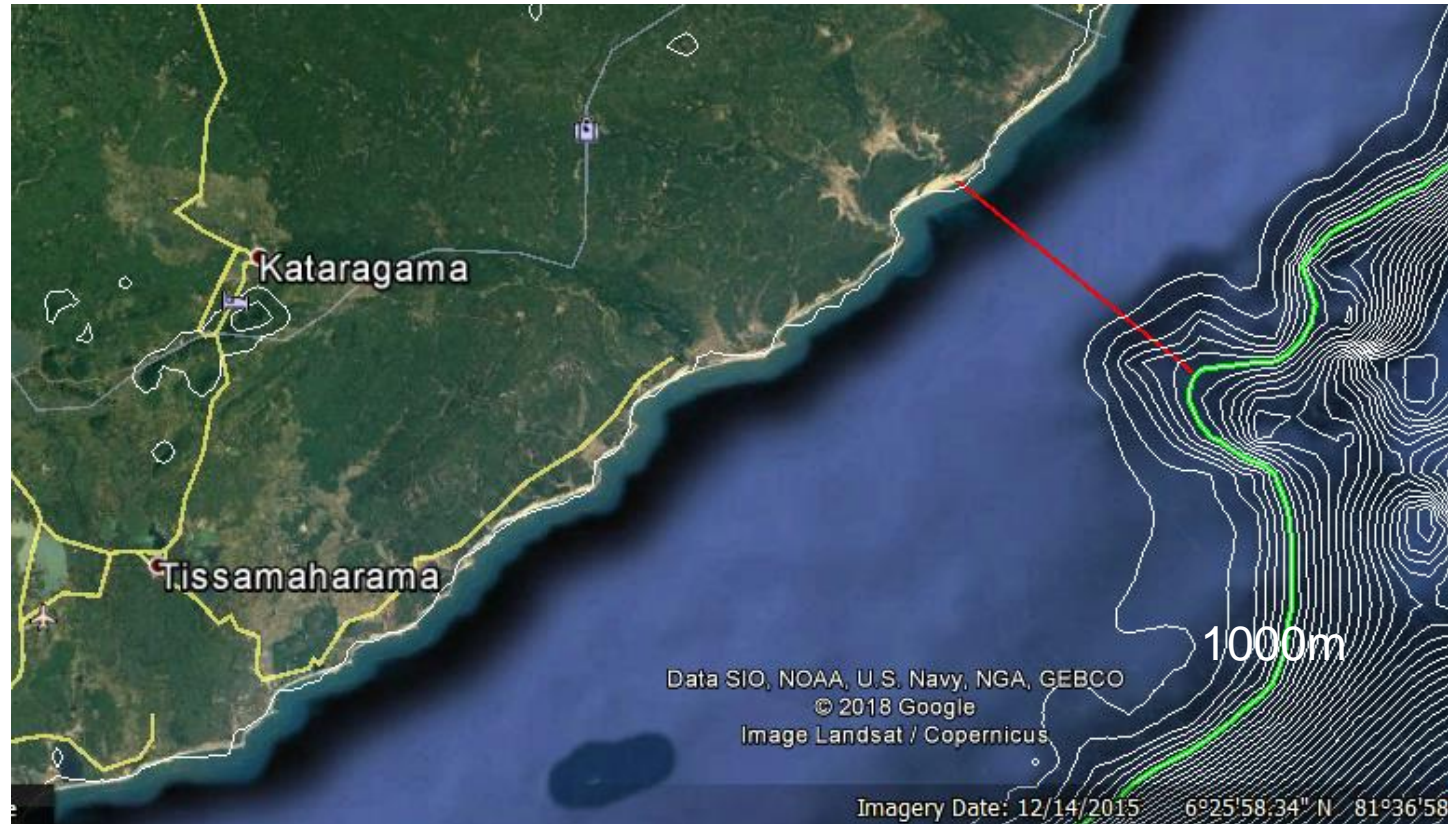
Proposed Site	Coordinate	Distance to nearest 1000m water depth (KM)
2	7°33'44.73"N 81°55'18.03"E	13.3

# SITE 3- OFF OLUVIL



Proposed Site	Coordinate	Distance to nearest 1000m water depth (KM)
3	7°33'44.73"N 81°55'18.03"E	13.3

# SITE 4- OFF TISSAMAHARAMA



Proposed Site	Coordinate	Distance to nearest 1000m water depth (KM)
4	6°21'24.63"N 81°44'53.65"E	14.9



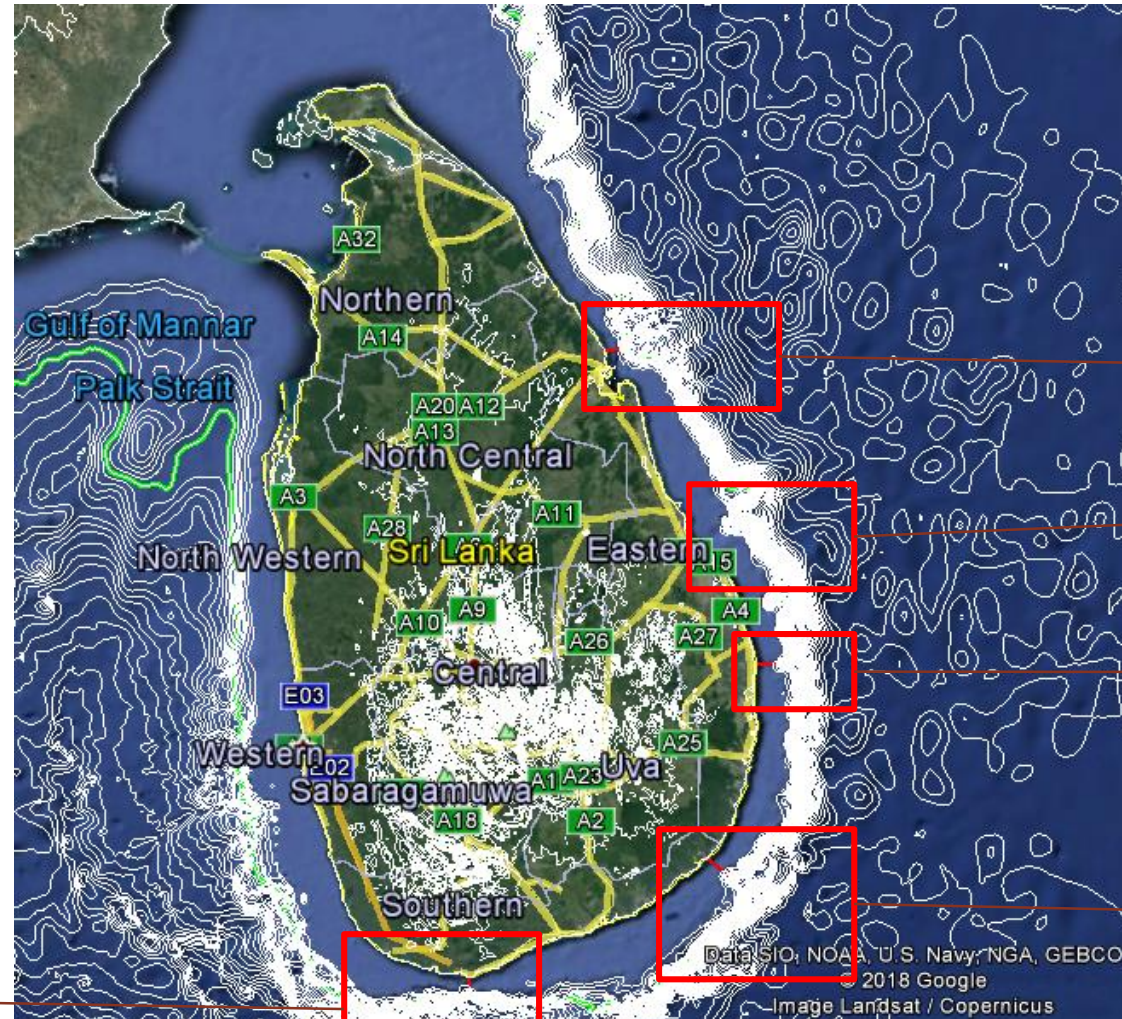
# SITE 5- OFF MATARA



Proposed Site	Coordinate	Distance to nearest 1000m water depth (KM)
5	5°50'48.97"N 80°34'44.68"E	7.98

# SRI LANKA OTEC POTENTIAL SITE AT NEAREST 1000M

Closed Cycle Onshore Platform  
Distance of proposed OTEC plant to 1000m depth is 7.98 km



Site 1

Site 2

Site 3

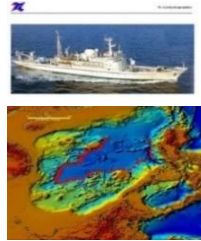
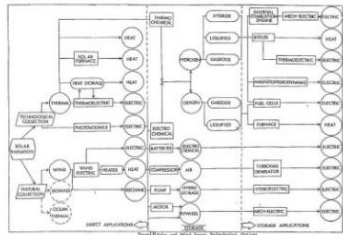
Site 4

Site 5

# CONCLUSION

- **OTEC potential sites could be identify by using online database and software's.**
- **The information could become good recommendation to project owner in selecting project site.**

# UTM Ocean Thermal Energy Centre Key Milestones and Achievements



Marine survey done at the South China Sea in 2008, has confirmed that Malaysia has a great potential to exploit OTEC technology

The UTM Ocean Thermal Energy Centre established at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia.

The UTM Ocean Thermal Energy Centre joined the 4th International OTEC symposium demonstrates OTEC technology readiness and accelerated industry growth

The UTM Ocean Thermal Energy Centre received a SATREP grant From Japanese Government to H-OTEC at Port Dickson, Malaysia, MoHE provide a matching grant Worth RM 6mil to support R&D.



Master Thesis on applicability of solar energy technology

Prior study on OTEC potential in Malaysia by Prof. Dato Ir Dr. A Bakar Jaafar



Malaysia Prime Minister approved the application of the Ocean Thermal Energy Corporation to conduct a study to generate electricity from the deep sea in Sabah



Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM) hosted the 3rd International OTEC UTM KL, 1-2 September 2015



Completion of UTM-DCNS / Naval Energies Pre-FS of OTEC Project at Pulau Layang-Layang under the MOF TDA-MoDefence Offset Programme



Lampiran A

KEPUTUSAN PENILAIAN PEMBENTANGAN PROJEK DI BAWAH PROGRAM SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (SATREPS) – UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MALAYSIA (UTM)

Tajuk projek : Development of Advanced Hybrid Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) Technology For Low Carbon Society & Sustainable Energy System: First Experimental OTEC Plant of Malaysia  
Ketua Projek : Dato' Prof. Ir. Dr. Abu Bakar Jaafar  
Tahun : 2019-2024

Comments from the Department of Higher Education, Evaluation Committee and Economic Planning Unit (EPU):

- i. The programme should focus on the core projects (objectives) and scale down the secondary benefit of the project.
- ii. Consolidate Projects 1, 2 and 3 into one project.
- iii. Quotation for purchasing of equipment needs to be attached.
- iv. Programme leader has to make sure the cohesiveness of the project team and take the lead.
- v. To include a senior researcher/academician to head each project. Each project must be led by a different PI. The programme leader must also head a project.
- vi. The programme is subject to monitoring process by the Department of Higher Education. The term and condition of MoE grant applies to this programme.

Budget must be revised and suggested breakdown are as follows:

NO.	PROJECT	REQUESTED BUDGET (RM)	REVISED BUDGET (RM)
1	Facility	1,080,000	(Consolidate project 1, 2 and 3)
2	Operational	1,216,200	
3	Heat Exchanger	690,000	
4	eDNA	669,200	500,000
5	Turbine	605,000	600,000
6	Seaweed	898,999	600,000
7	Fish	1,568,000	600,000
8	Sea Water Quality	1,651,600	600,000
9	Nanofluid	630,000	500,000
10	Business Development	338,800	150,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>9,349,799</b>	<b>6,050,000 (Rounded to 6,000,000)</b>

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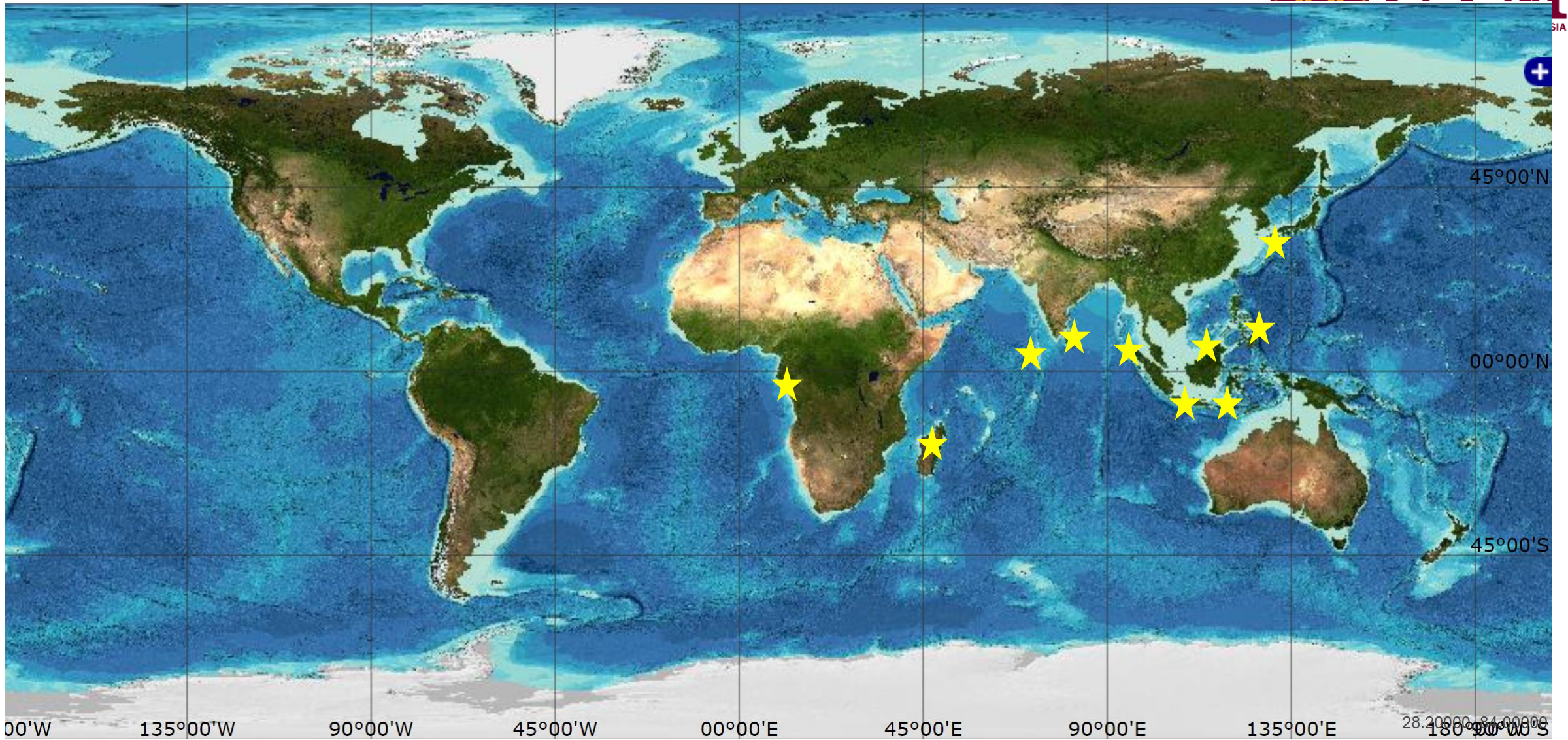
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