

Environmental Science Work:

References to peer reviewed publications and presentations arising from datasets and samples collected on the UK Seabed Resources-sponsored environmental survey cruises in the Pacific Ocean Clarion-Clipperton Zone. The cruises took place under Exploration Contracts awarded to UK Seabed Resources by the International Seabed Authority.

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Dahlgren, T. G. "What happens in the deep waters? Managing a sustainable deep-sea 'blue economy' requires knowledge of what actually lives there". Online talk at International Training Program, Regional Marine Spatial Planning Workshop, April 2023, Mozambique.

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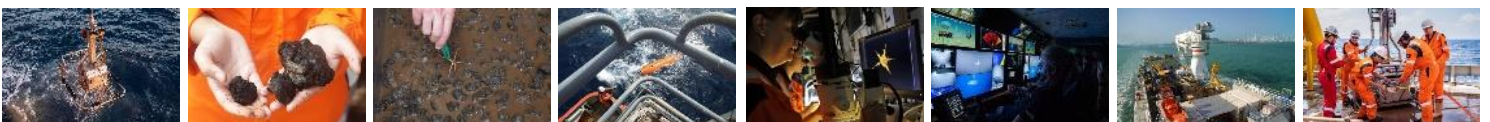
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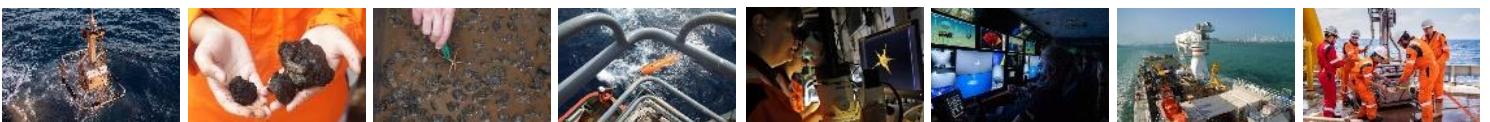
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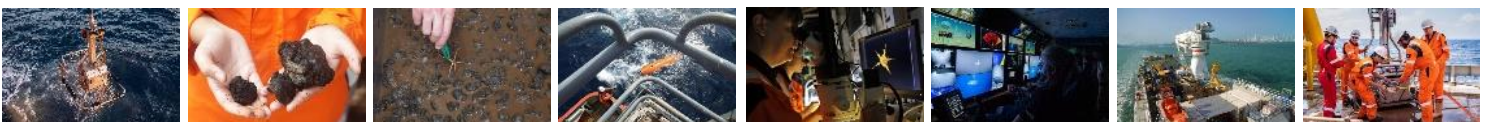
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