



Welcome to the PIPA

The Initiative of the Republic of Kiribati

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What is the PIPA?

Here are the 10 points that will help you know the PIPA:

Facts on the PIPA



1. The PIPA stands for the Phoenix Islands Protected Area;
2. The Republic of Kiribati is made up of 3 main groups of islands: The Gilbert Islands (where Tarawa the capital is), the Line Islands (where Christmas Island is) and the Phoenix Islands where the PIPA is;
3. There are 8 islands in the Phoenix Islands or in the PIPA;
4. The size of the PIPA is 408,250 sq.km;
5. PIPA is the first MPA of this huge scale ever created by the Government of Kiribati in 2006;

Unique features of the PIPA



6. PIPA stands as the biggest and deepest Marine Protected Area in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites from 2010;
7. One island in the PIPA is Nikumaroro known as the graveyard of the American Aviation Legend, Amelia Earhart whose airplane claimed to have collapsed 20 miles southwest of Nikumaroro;
8. PIPA is the first MPA covering 8 atoll islands with land plants, animals and birds, 2 submerged reef systems, the entire coral systems, the numerous seamounts and the deep-seas;
9. PIPA is the MPA that looks at conservation as another approach to attaining economic growth through the PIPA Trust Fund arrangements and Eco-Tourism;

10. "PIPA is the Pride of Kiribati!"



Kiribati is a country without any land-based resources but only relies entirely on the sea and its resources for its survival and development. The PIPA is really a sacrifice and is known globally as Kiribati's Gift to Humanity.

Kiribati



Marshall Islands

Tarawa

Gilbert Islands

Kirimati

Kanton

Phoenix Islands

Tuvalu

Tokelau

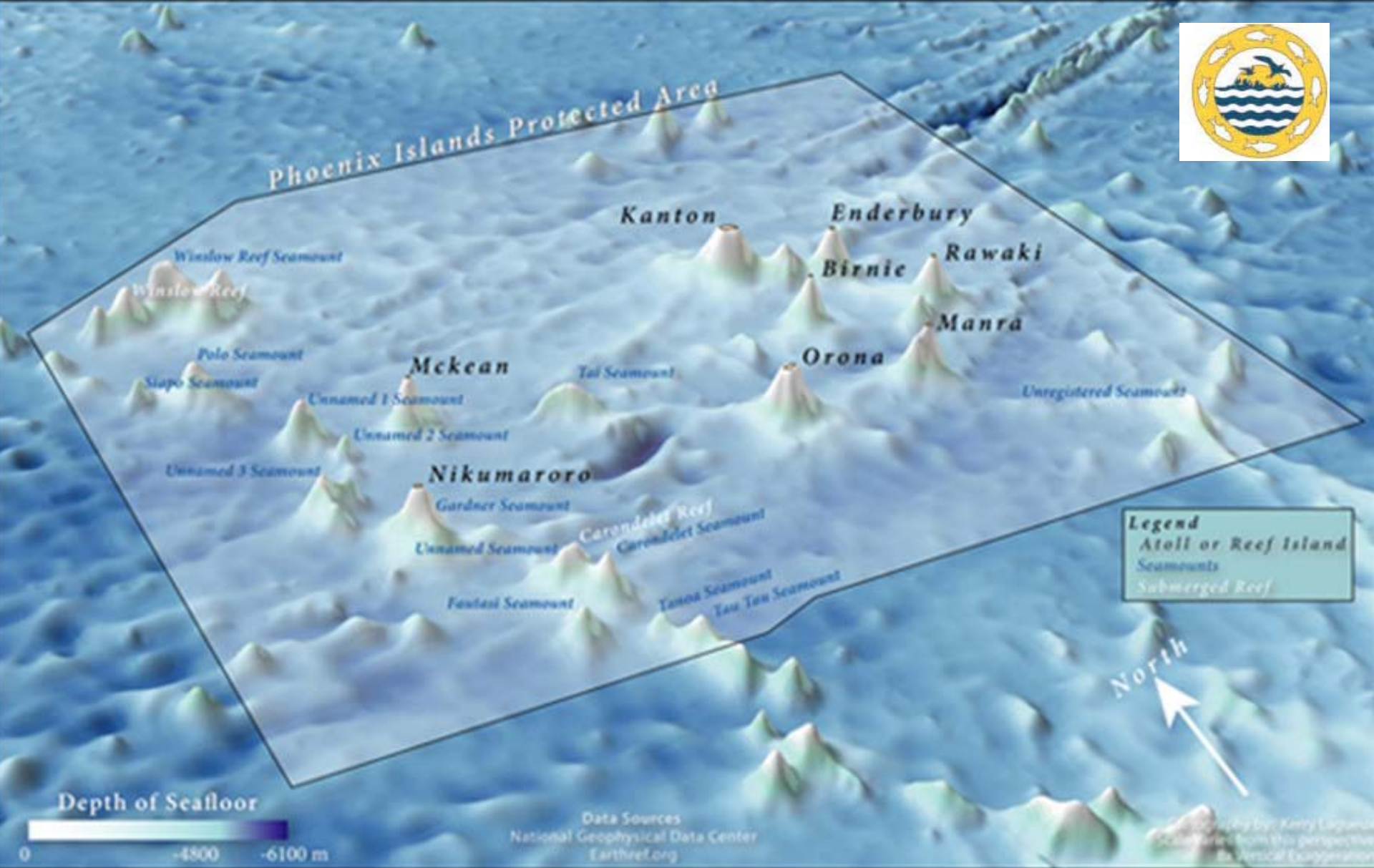
Line Islands

Solomon Islands

Wallis and
Futuna

Samoa

American



Map of PIPA covering its terrestrial and oceanic view

PIPA as World Leader



PIPA stands proudly as leader in Ocean Conservation and initiator in the creation of the Pacific Oceanscape in 2010 and the establishment of the Big Ocean Network in the same year.

PIPA is a Global Family



PIPA is not a standalone Initiative – it is a symbol of unity and partnership with the Conservation International and the New England Aquarium – who worked together from the start and into the future.

It is also an Initiative with ever open arms to all MPAs in the Pacific and around the world to join force in managing the oceans and in ensuring benefits to our peoples today and in generations to come.



**Thank You
for your attention.**

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