

high seas areas closed to bottom fisheries



SCHMIDT-OTT & ERICA SEAMOUNT

FACTSHEET

NAME: SCHMIDT-OTT & ERICA SEAMOUNT

AREA: APPROX. 116 000 KM²

ORGANISATION: SEAFO

START: 1 JANUARY 2007

END/REVIEW: 31 DECEMBER 2010

PROPOSED BY:
SEAFO

ADVICE:
BASED ON ADVICE OF SEAFO SCIENTIFIC COMMISSION(?)

BOTTOM FAUNA:
CORALS

CHARACTERISTICS:
SEAMOUNT

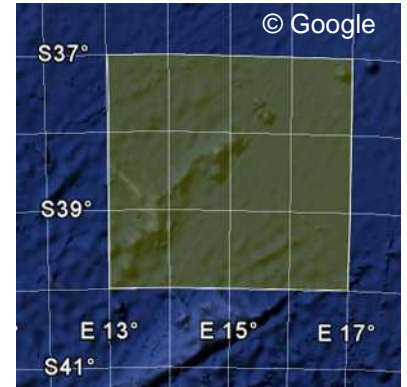
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In October 2006 the South East Atlantic Fisheries Organization (SEAFO) decided to close 10 seamount areas to the southwest of Africa:

(1) Dampier Seamount, (2) Malahit Guyot Seamount, (3) Molloy Seamount, (4) Schmidt-Ott Seamount & Erica Seamount, (5) Africana seamount, (6) Panzarini Seamount, (7) Vema Seamount, (8) Wust Seamount, (9) Discovery, Junoy, Shannon Seamounts and (10) Schwabenland & Herdman Seamounts.



The Schmidt-Ott Seamount & Erica Seamount were considered to be unexploited at the time of closure.

OBJECTIVES

Protect vulnerable deep water habitats and ecosystems in the South East Atlantic Ocean

COORDINATES

Corner	Latitude	Longitude
1.	37° 00' S	13° 00' E
2.	40° 00' S	13° 00' E
3.	37° 00' S	17° 00' E
4.	40° 00' S	17° 00' E

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