

Marea Hatziolos
Biosketch

Marea Hatziolos is a marine ecologist and a senior specialist in coastal and marine management in the Environment Department of the World Bank. She leads the Blue Team, an interdisciplinary group of water experts focusing on environmental aspects of water resources management and highlighting the linkages between freshwater, coastal and marine systems in the design of Bank strategies and policies related to water. In addition to policy and review in the areas of integrated coastal management, marine biodiversity conservation and sustainable financing, she is involved in the design and management of Bank operations in Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, Eastern Europe and East Asia. She serves as the Bank's focal point for International Waters programs supported by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and also serves as the Bank's representative to the International Coral Reef Initiative (ICRI).

Dr. Hatziolos also currently serves on the Advisory Committee for the Pew Marine Conservation Fellows Program. She manages a multi-country project to conserve the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef (from Mexico to Honduras), and is the Team Leader for a new global GEF project for Targeted Research and Capacity Building for Coral Reefs, in the final stages of preparation.

Dr. Hatziolos has a PhD in Zoology from the University of California at Berkeley, and has lived and worked extensively in West Africa, South Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean.