



## Integrated Ecosystem Assessments for Fisheries Management in the Yellow Sea, the East China Sea, and the East/Japan Sea

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In recent decades, dramatic changes in physical structure and vertical distribution of chemical properties have been reported in the Yellow Sea, the East China Sea, and the East/Japan Sea. These recent environmental changes have greatly affected the physiological status, community structure, and bloom pattern of phytoplankton and thus consequently altered seasonal distributions and nutritional status of higher trophic levels such as zooplankton, fish, and marine mammals. However, we do not know much about the current status of the marine ecosystems in these three distinct seas to date. Since 2018, integrated ecosystem assessments for ecosystem-based fisheries management have been implemented in the Yellow Sea, the East China Sea, and the East/Japan Sea. This Special Issue will provide basic information regarding the current status of marine ecosystems and an important background for future monitoring of marine ecosystem response to ongoing climate changes in the Yellow Sea, East China Sea, and East/Japan Sea.





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