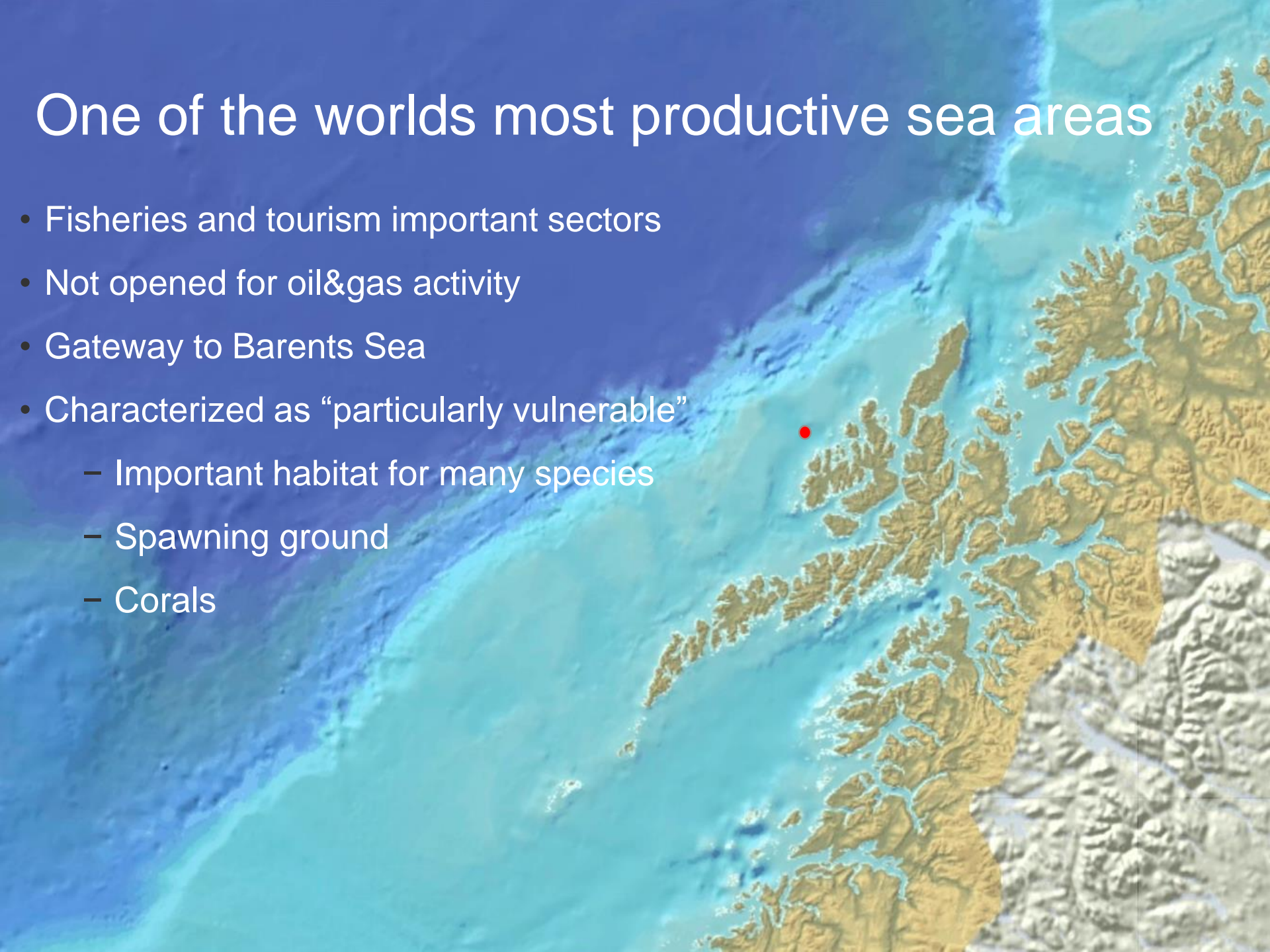


# Lofoten-Vesterålen observatory

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# One of the worlds most productive sea areas

- Fisheries and tourism important sectors
- Not opened for oil&gas activity
- Gateway to Barents Sea
- Characterized as “particularly vulnerable”
  - Important habitat for many species
  - Spawning ground
  - Corals



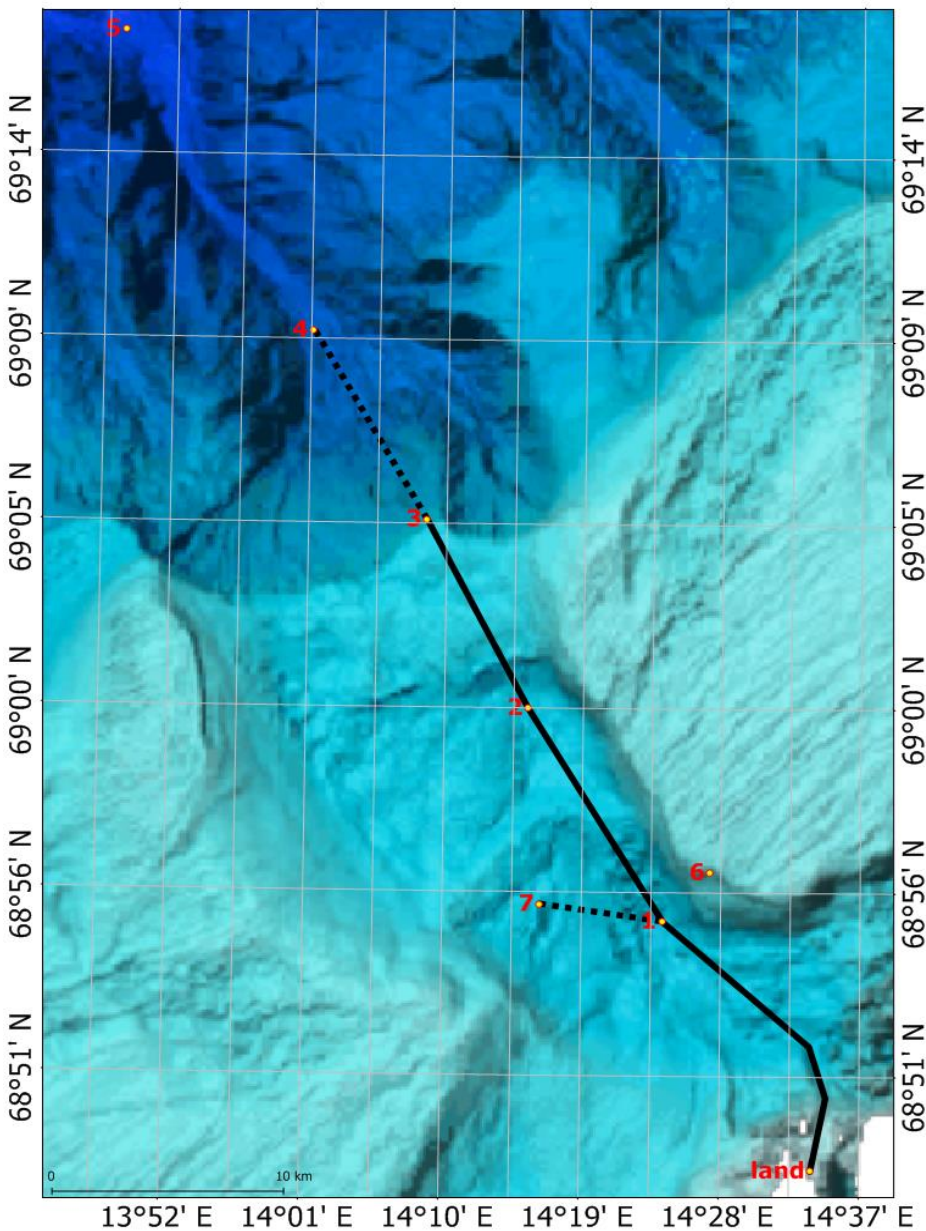
# The ocean observatory

- 16 km outside Vesterålen, 250 m depth
- A biological hotspot
- Deployed 2013
- Cabled
- Bi-annual service intervals
- Collaboration with Institute for Marine Research
- Data sharing, web portal

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3°43' E 13°52' E 14°01' E 14°10' E 14°19' E 14°28' E 14°37' E



# Infrastructure extension

- Up to six new sensor platforms (Nodes 2-7) to be deployed 2017
- Project led by Institute for Marine Research
- Statoil partner

	Node 2	Node 3	Node 4	Node 5	Node 6	Node 7
<b>Type</b>	Cabled nodes			Autonomous or cabled		Cable node
<b>Depth [m]</b>	239	234	1551	2490	85	217

# Main interests for Statoil

- Build knowledge about natural variations and marine ecosystem in general
  - Develop sensorbased environmental monitoring solutions; improve environmental/operational accessibility in remote areas
  - Decrease use of vessels for environmental surveys
- > Cost-effective solutions for environmental monitoring



# Statoil ATLAS participation

- Advisory Board member
- Case study LoVe observatory



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