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UNESCO marine World Heritage sites are among the most productive ocean places on Earth. Yet, climate change threatens their vital functions and the livelihoods they support. At this year's [United Nations World Oceans Day](#), we highlight our global private-public Resilient Reefs initiative where we build resilience for people and nature to thrive together.

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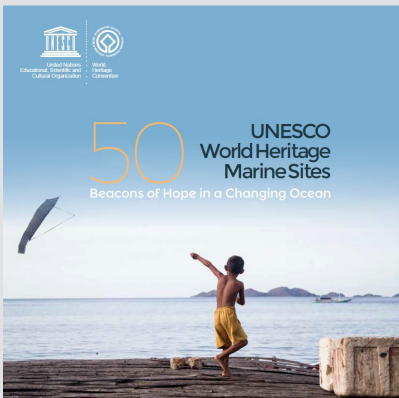
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