

## **Intergovernmental Relationships with respect to ICM- An International Comparative Study**

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### **Abstract**

With respect to Integrated Coastal Management (ICM), what powers, capacities and management resources does each level of government have? What roles should each level of government play? What are the advantages and disadvantages of each option? These are among the most important questions ICM planners should answer. To learn from the past international ICM experiences, the author has compared ICM practices of over 40 coastal nations that have ICM programs, focusing on the relationship between national and subnational governments with respect to ICM. Three models of intergovernmental relationships have been derived from this study.