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An Economic Institutional Perspective based on Chinese Practice

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- 1 | Ecosystem service thinking is central to the development of an integrated governance framework to deal with coastal and marine governance complexities.
- 2 | Highlighting ecosystem services and their interrelationships, and ensuring institutional support, are key challenges to the integration of ecosystem service thinking within coastal and marine governance.
- 3 | Economic institutionalism provides a useful lens to analyze the integration of ecosystem service thinking into coastal and marine governance.
- 4 | Although there is an awareness of human dependence on coastal and marine ecosystems to varying degrees and in different ways in coastal strategic plans, more explicit clarification of ecosystem services and their interrelationships is needed.
- 5 | Four distinctive governance aspects are essential for understanding the use of market-based instruments and the way in which they integrate ecosystem services: price, regulatory support, coordination, and spatial considerations.
- 6 | China largely relies on regulatory support to provide economic incentives for governing coastal and marine ecosystem services.
- 7 | To improve governance quality, planners and policymakers should attune institutional design with coastal and marine ecosystems, for instance through accommodating geographical scales and ecosystem services values.
- 8 | Mystery is not about traveling to new places, but it is about looking with new eyes. (Marcel Proust)
- 9 | Problems are not stop signs, they are guidelines. (Robert H. Schuller)

