# Guiding interview questions for communities

* How would you describe life here on the DoY islands/in NIP etc?
* Why is the sea important for you?
* Where does the ‘deep sea’ begin? How deep do you think the deep-sea is?
* What do you think the deep sea-bed looks like? What about the deep-sea (the water) itself – what do you think that is like?
* How much information have you had from Nautilus, the company proposing to mine the seabed?
* Which potential impacts of deep sea mining are most worrying for you?
* Could you explain how important fishing is to the community? How do you think fishing practices will be affected?
* Have you had the chance to communicate yours fears to the company?
* How do you feel about the role of the government (at both national and local scales)? Have they been supportive in hearing your voices?
* If you could ask proponents of deep-sea mining one question what would it be?
* In one word, how does the idea of deep sea mining make you feel?

Others might include: