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2030 of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development



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Status of the Ocean Decade and Opportunities for Engagement with LMEs

Why an Ocean Decade?

“Humanity is running out of time to manage the ocean sustainably...”
2016 World Ocean Assessment



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Decade Action Framework



Vision

The science we need for the ocean we want

Mission

Transformative ocean science solutions for sustainable development, connecting people and our ocean.



Knowledge & Solutions Challenges:

1. Marine Pollution
2. Protect and Restore Ecosystems
3. Sustainable Blue Food
4. Sustainable Ocean Economy
5. Ocean-Climate Nexus

- Infrastructure Challenges:
6. Community Resilience
 7. Ocean Observations
 8. Digital Ocean

- Foundational Challenges:
9. Capacity Development
 10. Behaviour Change

Decade Programmes, Projects, Activities and Contributions solicited on a regular basis

Current Status

THE OCEAN DECADE in a snapshot



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ENDORSED OCEAN DECADE ACTIONS

48 PROGRAMMES
276 PROJECTS
84 CONTRIBUTIONS
539 ACTIVITIES

As at June 2023



DECADE ACTIONS LED
BY PARTNERS FROM
60
COUNTRIES

DECADE ADVISORY BOARD

15 MEMBERS
14 COUNTRIES
8 WOMEN
7 MEN
5 MEETINGS



REGIONAL AND NATIONAL COORDINATION

7
REGIONAL
TASKFORCES
AND PROGRAMMES

12
DECADE
IMPLEMENTING
PARTNERS



37
NATIONAL
DECADE
COMMITTEES

10
DECADE
COLLABORATIVE CENTRES/
COORDINATION OFFICES

ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

1+ MILLION
REACH

10 PATRONS AND
18 INSTITUTIONAL
MEMBERS OF THE
OCEAN DECADE
ALLIANCE



5 INFORMAL
WORKING GROUPS

OVER **20**
MEMBERS
OF THE
FOUNDATIONS
DIALOGUE



6,500
MEMBERS ON THE
OCEAN DECADE NETWORK

**Call for Decade
Actions No.
05/2023 open
until 31 August
focusing on
marine pollution &
ecosystem
management!**



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The Decade is also a growing ecosystem of societal actors...



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...and promotes co-design to facilitate work across the Science-Policy-Society Interface



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Co-designing the Science We Need for the Ocean We Want

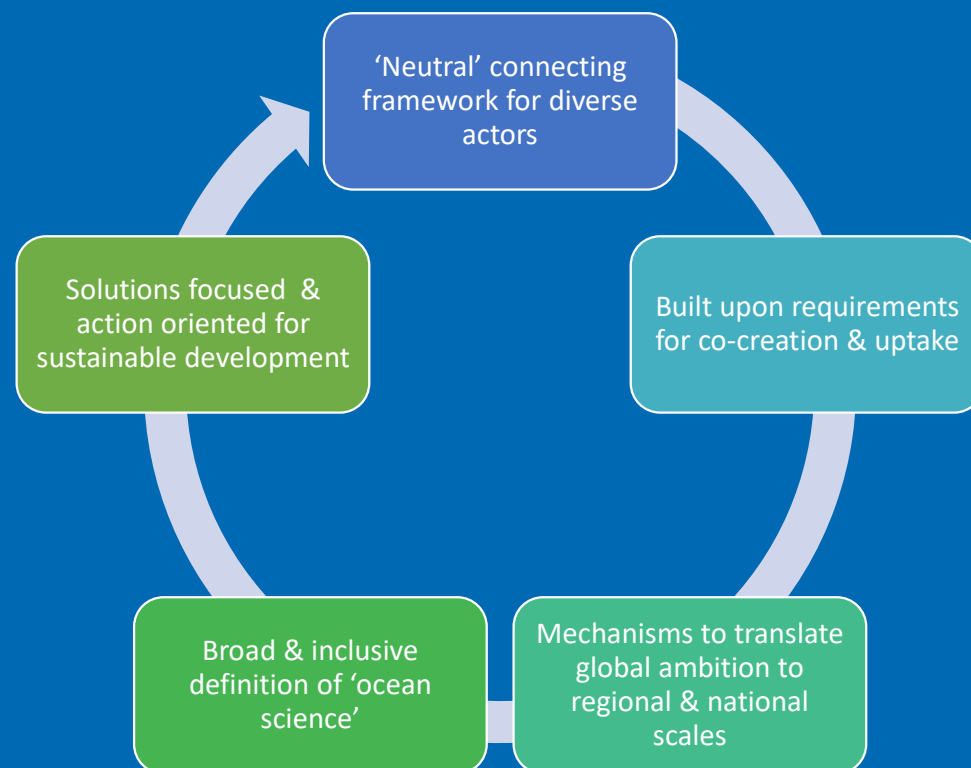
Guidance and
Recommendations
for Collaborative
Approaches to
Designing &
Implementing
Decade Actions



The United Nations
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Regional Initiatives in the Ocean Decade



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Growing network of regional Decade Coordination Offices (DCOs) and Decade Collaborative Centres (DCCs) that:

- i. Coordinate Decade Actions & catalyse new Actions*
- ii. Gap analyses and priority setting*
- iii. Resource mobilisation*
- iv. Communications and outreach*
- v. Monitoring and reporting*

Existing DCO/DCCs:

Northeast Pacific
Indian Ocean
Southern Ocean
West Pacific (IOC)
Southern Ocean
South Pacific



Planned DCO/DCCs:

Africa (IOC)
Caribbean (IOC)
Arctic

Regional Taskforces

*Africa & Adjacent
Island States*

Southern Ocean

*Tropical Americas &
Caribbean (being
established)*

Regional Programmes

Mediterranean

South Pacific

National Initiatives in the Ocean Decade

National Decade Committees = voluntary, inclusive, multi-stakeholder platforms set up to coordinate, support and increase national participation in the Ocean Decade by mobilizing the whole “ocean community”



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LMEs and the Ocean Decade – opportunities for engagement



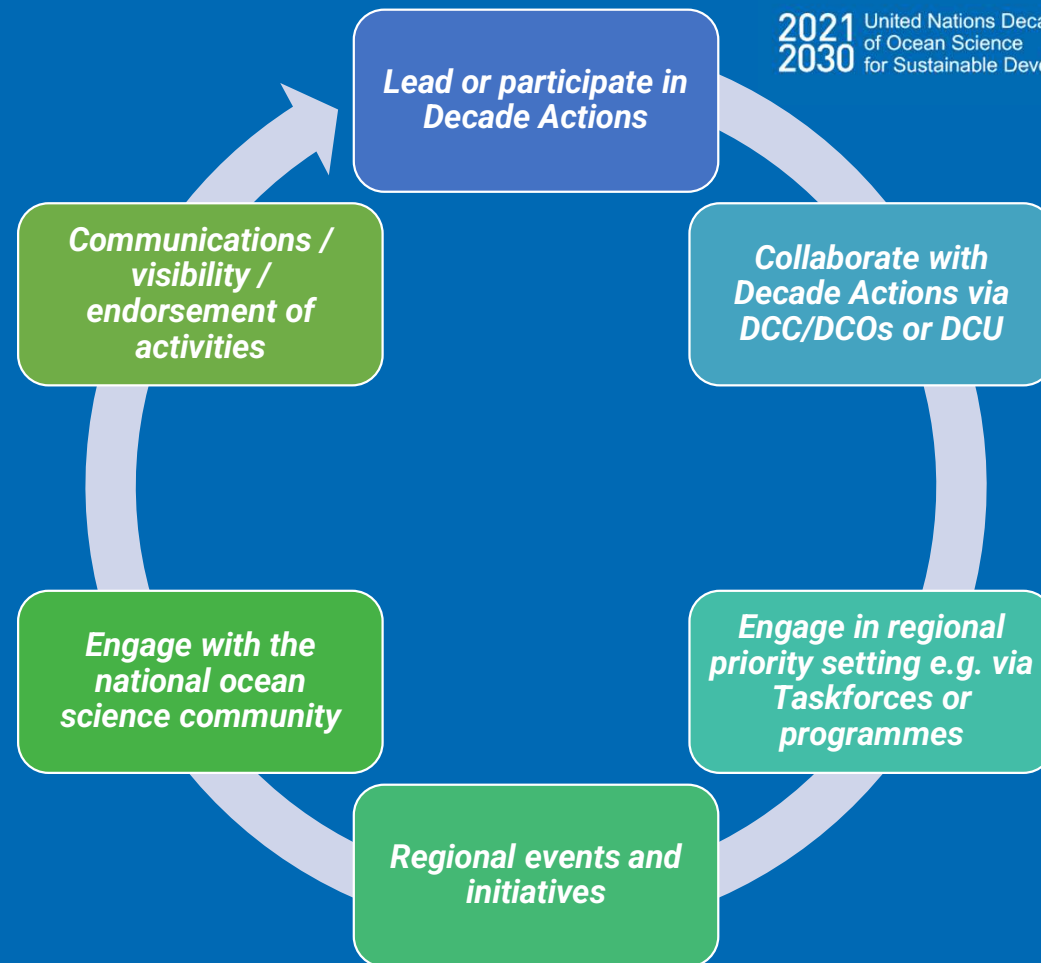
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LMEs are generators, holders and users of ocean science, working across the science-policy interface with diverse stakeholders ⇔ strong alignment and opportunities for engagement with the Ocean Decade

<http://oceandecade.org>



2024 Ocean Decade Conference

Barcelona, Spain: 10 - 12 April 2024

The Conference will:

- Showcase and celebrate achievements of the Ocean Decade
- Generate consensus on science – policy – society priorities for the Ocean Decade via workshopping of Vision 2030 process
- Create opportunities for networking to catalyse new partnerships and initiatives
- Provide a global platform for announcements and commitments
- Prepare for a visible and meaningful role in the 2025 UN Ocean Conference and related events
- Highlight initiatives led by local partners relevant to the Ocean Decade
- Raise visibility and awareness of the Ocean Decade amongst the general public in Barcelona
- Be complemented by a diverse series of Satellite Events!



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SAVE THE DATE



**Pre-Registration and Call for Satellite
Events open now!**