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HIGH-LEVEL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

From COP21 towards the **United Nations Decade of Ocean** Science for Sustainable Development (2021 - 2030)

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THE ORGANIZERS

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The Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (IOC-UNESCO) is the only UN body entirely dedicated to ocean science. It promotes international cooperation and coordinates programmes in marine research, services, observation systems. hazard mitigation, and capacity development in order to understand and effectively manage the resources of the ocean and coastal areas. By applying this knowledge, the Commission aims to improve the governance, management, institutional capacity and decision-making processes of its Member States with respect to marine resources and climate variability and to foster the sustainable development of the marine environment, in particular in developing countries. IOC's work in ocean observation and science significantly contributes to building the knowledge base of the science of climate change. It is within this context that IOC has been mandated by the UN General Assembly to coordinate the preparatory process of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030) to support efforts to reverse the cycle of decline in ocean health and gather ocean stakeholders worldwide behind a common framework that will ensure ocean science can fully support countries in creating improved conditions for the sustainable development of the Ocean.

OCEAN AND CLIMATE PLATFORM

The Ocean and Climate Platform (OCP) was established in 2014 during the World Oceans Day with the purpose of highlighting scientific expertise and supporting ocean and climate issues advocacy before policy makers and the general public. During COP21, the Ocean and Climate Platform emphasized the importance of "a healthy ocean, a protected climate". It is important to show how the ocean is affected by climate change, and more importantly to show that "the ocean is part of the solution" against climate change. OCP gathers over 70 organizations, including members of the civil society, scientific institutions, the private sector, international organisations and public institutions, all acting to bring the ocean to the forefront in climate discussions. In February 2017, the Platform launched the Ocean and Climate Initiatives Alliance (OCIA) to federate ocean-based solutions for climate mitigation and adaptation. OCIA brings together 20 multi-stakeholder initiatives around the globe, which are committed to preserving the ocean in the face of climate change. OCIA's aim is to consolidate and coordinate the concrete actions initiated in this area by individual partnerships to address the interlinkages between climate change and ocean protection, in order to push forward the objectives of the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.



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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

From COP21 towards the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030)

In the last decade, scientific advances have enhanced our knowledge and understanding of coastal and marine ecosystems and how these interact with the climate system. These confirmed that climate change significantly alters the ocean, its ecosystems and its capacity to act as climate regulator. Since COP21 and the adoption of the Paris Agreement, the ocean has become a key element of climate negotiations, and it is widely recognised that a healthy ocean can provide solutions to future challenges.

In light of the current context and challenges ahead, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (IOC-UNESCO), the Ocean and Climate Platform (OCP) and the Ocean and Climate Initiatives Alliance (OCIA) are organizing a High-Level Scientific Conference on 10 and 11 September 2018, at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. The conference aims at synthesizing recent scientific progress on ocean and climate interplays; evaluating the latest ocean, climate and biodiversity trends within the context of increased concerted ocean actions; and reflecting on ways to move "from science to action".

In view of the recent proclamation of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030), a particular focus will examine how the ocean, climate and biodiversity nexus can be enhanced by fostering synergies amongst key ocean-related initiatives, including the UNFCCC, the Sustainable Development Goals (especially SDG 14 -Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development), the Ocean Pathway Partnership and the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction process (BBNJ).

Organized around four core sessions and three special sessions, the event will bring together the scientific community, policymakers, civil society representatives and UN organizations to discuss the interlinkages between ocean, climate



and biodiversity. Building on scientific evidence, the conference will provide the opportunity for in-depth discussions on the interface between science and policy from COP21 towards the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development, including milestones such as the IPCC special report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate to be released in 2019.

The UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030)

On 5 December 2017, the UN General Assembly designated the years 2021 to 2030 as "UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development" to support efforts to reverse the cycle of decline in ocean health and create improved conditions for sustainable development of the ocean, seas and coasts. Under the coordination of IOC-UNESCO for its planning phase, the Decade will gather ocean stakeholders worldwide, including the scientific community, policy makers, businesses and civil society organizations. Two overarching goals were identified for the Decade:

- To generate the scientific knowledge and underpinning infrastructure and partnerships needed for the sustainable development of the ocean.
- To provide ocean science, data and information to inform policies for a well-functioning ocean in support of the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.

For more information please visit: oceandecade.org

The Decade will provide a 'once in a lifetime' opportunity for nations to work together to generate the global ocean science needed to support the sustainable development of our shared ocean.

HIGH-LEVEL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE AGENDA • ROOM X

Monday 10 September

9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Special session: Sciences cooperation, policies interfaces and SDGs in South Atlantic Ocean Organized by the French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD) and the University of Western Brittany (UBO)	
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Special session: Making Waves: Women in Ocean Science Organized by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and the Permanent Delegation of Canada to UNESCO	
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Opening Ceremony	
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Session 1: What does science tell us today about the ocean?	
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Coffee/tea break and poster exhibition	Mall
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Session 2: An intergovernmental perspective on ocean, climate and biodiversity knowledge	
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Cocktail Offered by the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute as part of its Take OFF program ("Take Ocean for Future")	

Tuesday 11 September

9:00 am - 10:30 am	Session 3: From science to action: how can the UN Decade of Ocean Science make a difference?	
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Coffee/tea break and poster exhibition	Mall
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Session 4: From science to action: which policies?	
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Closing Ceremony	
2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Special Session: Academic research: which contributions to the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science? Organized by the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS) and the French National Research Alliance for the Environment (AllEnvi)	



OPENING CEREMONY

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ROOM X) • Interpretation: English, French

Master of Ceremony



George Papagiannis, Chief Media Services, UNESCO

George Papagiannis is the Chief of Media Services for UNESCO where he works to ensure the organization's story is told to the world across its websites, social media and through its press relations. For UNESCO he has worked at HQ, Iraq and the U.S. He is a recovering journalist.

Welcome adress



Audrey Azoulay (or her representative), Director-General, UNESCO

Elected as Director-General of UNESCO in November 2017 for a four-year term, Audrey Azoulay, former French Minister of Culture and Communication, brings with her experience and a longstanding commitment in favour of intercultural and intergenerational dialogue to advance education for all and the dissemination of scientific and cultural knowledge. Photo credits: © UNESCO/C.ALIX

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His Excellency Ambassador **Byong-hyun LEE** , Chair of the Executive Board, UNESCO

H.E. Ambassador LEE Byong-hyun is the Chairperson of the Executive Board of UNESCO. With more than 38 years of experience as a career diplomat, he has extensive experiences with the United Nations and multilateral international agencies. Since 2015, he is the Ambassador and the Permanent Delegate of the Republic of Korea to UNESCO. As Chairperson of the Executive Board, he facilitates dialogue between UNESCO and its Member States to develop realistic and pragmatic cooperation and for the Organization to refocus its core function. Photo credits: © UNESCO/C.Bailleul



Frédérique Vidal, Minister of Higher Education Research and Innovation of France

Frédérique Vidal was the President of the University of Nice Sophia-Antipolis (UNS) between 2012 and 2017. She holds a master's degree in biochemistry from the UNS, a post-graduate degree from the Institut Pasteur and a doctorate from the UNS where she became a lecturer in 1995. Since 2004, she has been a professor of biochemistry, molecular and cell biology at the UNS.



Ana Paula Vitorino, Minister of the Sea of Portugal

Minister of the Sea Ana Paula Vitorino is graduated in Civil Engineering, specialized in Urban Development and Transports, (1986) and has a Master in Transports, (1992) by Instituto Superior Técnico. She was Secretary of State for Transports in the XVII Constitutional Government, between 2005 and 2009. She is a member of the Portuguese National Assembly since 2009. Between 1989 and 1990 she was invited as assistant professor to teach a wide range of disciplines in Instituto Superior Técnico.



Romain Troublé, President, Ocean and Climate Platform

With a double degree in biotechnology and business management, Romain is equally known for his sailing skills and participations in the America's Cup in 2000 and 2003. From 2003 to 2006, he worked for Cerpolex specialized in polar logistics in the Arctic, Antarctic and in Siberia. He has been coordinating the expeditions since 2004 and is now the Executive Director of the Tara Expeditions Foundation and President of the Ocean and Climate Platform.



SESSION 1: WHAT DOES SCIENCE TELL US TODAY ABOUT THE OCEAN?

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French

When it comes to 71% of our planet, several knowledge gaps remain despite great advancements in the last fifty years of ocean research and observation. Phenomena such as hypoxia, ocean acidification and the effects of climate change on marine biodiversity require further investigation to fully comprehend the role of the ocean in the earth system. What do we know about the linkages between the ocean, climate and biodiversity? This roundtable will discuss recent findings, research priorities and remaining knowledge gaps in ocean science.

Moderators



Anny Cazenave, Member of the French National Academy of Sciences

Anny Cazenave is emeritus scientist at the Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales, Toulouse, France, and director for Earth Sciences at the International Space Science Institute, Bern, Switzerland. Her research deals with the applications of space techniques to ocean sciences, in particular, sea level change and climate.



Françoise Gaill, Emeritus Research Director, CNRS

Françoise Gaill is a deep sea biologist. Scientific advisor at the Institute of Ecology and Environment (INEE) of the CNRS, she is president of the French National Committee for Marine, Maritime and Coastal Research (Comer), vice chair of the IOC French delegation and vice president of the Ocean and Climate Platform.

Speakers



Dr William Cheung, Associate Professor University of British Columbia / NF-UBC Nereus program

Dr William Cheung's research aims to improve understanding of the past, current and future responses of marine ecosystems to global changes, and to explore and inform policy-relevant solutions at local and global scales to improve human well-being and the sustainable use of ocean resources. He is Coordinating Lead Author for the IPCC Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate and a Lead Author for the IPBES Global Assessment.



Sheila JJ Heymans, Executive Director European Marine Board

Sheila JJ Heymans is the Executive Director of the European Marine Board – the leading European marine science policy think tank - and Professor in Ecosystem Modelling at the University of the Highlands and Islands in Scotland. She has 30 years' experience in research on the environmental impacts of ecosystem change.



Patricia Miloslavich, Project Officer GOOS Biology and Ecosystem Panel

Venezuelan Science Award winner, Patricia Miloslavich coordinates the GOOS Biology and Ecosystems Panel. Retired professor from Universidad Simón Bolívar, she holds a Ph.D. in Oceanography and has more than 30 years of experience in international programs related to marine biodiversity and biological oceanography. Currently based at the University of Tasmania.



Lauren Mullineaux, Senior Scientist and Biology Department Chair, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

Lauren Mullineaux is a Senior Scientist and the Chair of the Biology Department at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. She investigates the oceanographic processes that control the diversity and resilience of seafloor communities, particularly in the deep sea.



Martin Visbeck, Head of the Research Unit Physical Oceanography, GEOMAR

Martin Visbeck is head of research unit Physical Oceanography at GEOMAR and the speaker of the "Future Ocean" Excellence cluster in Kiel. His research interests revolve around ocean and climate dynamics, sustained ocean observing and ocean sustainable development. He is involved in strategic planning and decision-making processes about the ocean and sustainable development at a national, European, and global level.



SESSION 2: AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERSPECTIVE ON OCEAN, CLIMATE AND BIODIVERSITY KNOWLEDGE

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French

Intergovernmental processes such as the IPCC and IPBES play a key role when it comes to delivering the latest available scientific evidence to policymakers. The integration of the ocean in the Paris Agreement was followed by the IPCC's decision to prepare a Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate to be published in 2019. IPBES regional and sub-regional assessments provide potential policy responses to the degradation of the coastal and marine environment. What else can be done to strengthen the science-policy interface? This session will feature contributions from key players of the scientific community on how to achieve an integrated perspective on ocean, climate and biodiversity.

Moderators



Joachim Claudet, Researcher, CNRS-CRIOBE

Specialized in linked coastal social-ecological research at the land-sea interface, using place-based case studies to inform management or meta-analyses to impact policy. Expert for IPBES regional assessments. President of the scientific committee of MedPAN, the network of Mediterranean MPA managers.



Laura Hampton, Journalist

Laura Hampton is an English science journalist and professional sailor, specialising in high-latitudes. Writing and filming for the New Scientist and the BBC, she has visited some of the world's most inaccessible places. Her aim is to make science journalism more accessible to a wider, global audience.

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Speakers



Elva Escobar-Briones, Institute of Marine Sciences and Limnology, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico

Professor, director of UNAM's Institute of Marine Sciences and Limnology; deep-sea biodiversity specialist, lead of research projects and scientific cruises. Co-authored over 100 peer reviewed publications. Deep Ocean Stewardship Initiative co-leader. Former ISA's LTC member, participant to Census of Marine Life. CBD contributor, helped drafting IPCC's Ocean and Cryosphere report structure.



Dr Nathalie Hilmi, Environmental Economist Scientific Center of Monaco

Dr Nathalie Hilmi is an expert in Macroeconomics and International Finance. In 2010, she joined the Centre Scientifique de Monaco as head of the section Environmental Economics and collaborated with IAEA's Environment Laboratories to initiate correlation studies between environmental sciences and economics to better evaluate the socioeconomic extent of impacts and costs of action versus inaction with regard to carbon emissions. She is lead author for IPCC special report SROCC and for the coming AR6.



Valérie Masson-Delmotte, Co-chair, IPCC

Senior scientist from the Climate and Environmental Sciences Laboratory of Pierre Simon Laplace Institute, Valérie Masson-Delmotte has worked on issues such as the North Atlantic Oscillation, drought, climate response to volcanic eruptions, polar amplification, climate feedbacks, abrupt climate change and ice sheet vulnerability across different timescales.



Dr Hans-Otto Pörtner, Co-chair, IPCC

Dr Hans-Otto Pörtner is Professor and Head of the Department of Integrative Ecophysiology at the Alfred Wegener Institute, Bremerhaven, Germany. During the IPCC Fourth Assessment Cycle (AR4) he served as Lead Author on the Special Report on Carbon Capture and Storage, and during AR5 as Coordinating Lead Author of WG II Report Chapter 6 (Ocean Systems). He was involved in the WG II Summary for Policymakers and the AR5 Synthesis Report. In October 2015 he was elected Co-Chair of WGII for the Sixth Assessment cycle.



Sir Robert Tony Watson, CMG, FRS, President, IPBES

Strategic director for the Tyndall Center, University of East Anglia, UK, and chair of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES). Previously, chief scientific advisor positions in OSTP, White House, World Bank and UK Defra. Chaired international assessments of stratospheric ozone depletion, agricultural science and technology, the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment, and the IPCC.



SESSION 3: FROM SCIENCE TO ACTION: HOW CAN THE UN DECADE OF OCEAN SCIENCE MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French

On 5 December 2017, the United Nations designated the years 2021 to 2030 as UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development to support efforts to reverse the cycle of decline in ocean health and gather ocean stakeholders worldwide behind a common framework. This joint effort between the scientific community, policymakers, the private sector and the civil society will be coordinated by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO. This session will provide a space for discussing ways to boost international coordination and cooperation in ocean science to effectively contribute to sustainable development.

Moderators



Julian Barbière, Head of the IOC Marine Policy and Regional Coordination Section, IOC-UNESCO

Educated as an environmental scientist, he has approximately 20 years of experience at the international level in the field of ocean sustainability, ocean governance and the implementation of ecosystem-based management approaches in all ocean basins. He is leading the Agenda 2030 strategy for the IOC and was instrumental in the proclamation of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development at the end of 2017, for which he is coordinating the preparation phase. Credits photo: © IOC/MPR



Patricia Ricard, President, Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute

Patricia Ricard has been involved in the environment for over 20 years. She is President of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute whose goal is to "know, let know and protect the sea". In 2015, she presented a report to the EESC on biomimicry. She has been spokesperson for the Ocean and Climate Platform since 2017.

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Speakers



Peter Haugan, Chair, IOC-UNESCO

Peter M. Haugan is professor of oceanography at the Geophysical Institute, University of Bergen and research director at Institute of Marine Research, Norway. He has wide experience in ocean science and international science policy and is presently the elected chair of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC-UNESCO).



Torsten Thiele, Economist, Global Ocean Trust

Torsten Thiele is Research Associate at the IASS-Potsdam, Visiting Fellow at the London School of Economics and Founder of the Global Ocean Trust, promoting sustainable ocean governance solutions based on science, technology, finance and innovation. Torsten worked in infrastructure finance for many years. He holds degrees from Bonn, Harvard and Cambridge University.



Dr Jacqueline Uku, President, WIOMSA

Jacqueline Uku is a Senior Research Scientist and Research Coordinator at the Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRI). She also serves as the President of the Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA). She works to foster linkages between scientists and policy makers and to enhance awareness of marine issues.



Anna Zivian, Co-chair, Future Earth Ocean Knowledge-Action Network Development Team; Senior Research Fellow, Ocean Conservancy

Anna Zivian is Senior Research Fellow at Ocean Conservancy. She also serves as co-chair of the Future Earth Ocean Knowledge-Action Network. Anna's past research looks at the intersection of environmental policy, science, and society. Anna is a former elected official in Colorado. She earned her Ph.D. in Environmental Studies from UC-Santa Cruz and her A.B. in Russian and Soviet Studies at Harvard University.



SESSION 4: FROM SCIENCE TO ACTION: WHICH POLICIES?

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French

Moving from science to action at the global level requires a coordinated effort which, at the same time, responds to regional and national priorities. Major international frameworks – such as the UNFCCC and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development – can shape international policies on ocean, climate and biodiversity. How will these translate into regional and national policies? What actions have already been initiated by countries? How can international coalitions, such as Because the Ocean, help elaborate on national commitments, including ocean-related nationally determined contributions (NDCs)? With contributions from Member States and regional organizations, this session will provide examples on how to translate scientific evidence into policies.

Moderators



Rémi Parmentier, Director, The Varda Group

Director of The Varda Group consultancy, Rémi is a veteran of the international environmental movement, which he joined in 1974. Since then, Rémi has been an actor of environmental policy, undertaking initiatives and campaigns with NGOs, intergovernmental organizations, and other institutions throughout his career.



Dr Salvatore Aricò, Head of the Ocean Science Section IOC-UNESCO

Dr Aricò is Head of Ocean Science at the IOC-UNESCO. He was Executive Secretary of the UNSG Scientific Advisory Board, Head of UNESCO Biodiversity Programme, alternate Co-Chair of the Governing Council of Future Earth, board member of the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment, expert contributor to the IPCC AR5, Chief of the Jakarta Mandate of the CBD, Senior Researcher at UNU. Salvatore had a central role in the creation of IPBES. He has published around 80 scientific publications on oceans, biodiversity and the science-policy interface.

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Speakers



Julio Cordano, Head of the Department on Climate Change and Sustainable Development

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile

Julio Cordano is a career diplomat of Chile. BA in History and Master of Public Management. He has worked in international postings in New Zealand and Italy. Since 2012, he is the Head of Climate Change at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile, leading the national position on climate change negotiations, including the Paris Agreement. He is a member of the Adaptation Committee of the UNFCCC.



Cameron Diver, Deputy Director-General of the Pacific Community

Cameron Diver is currently the Deputy Director-General of the Pacific Community (SPC). Based at the organisation's headquarters in Noumea, New Caledonia, his portfolio covers climate change and environmental sustainability, fisheries, aquaculture and marine ecosystems, public health, statistics for development and the organisation's corporate and support services.



Serge Ségura, French Ambassador for Ocean Affairs

Serge Ségura joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1980 and held various posts in different French embassies. From 2012 to 2015 he was Ambassador of France to the Mozambique. In addition to diplomatic assignments abroad, he worked at the Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs where he specialized in international law of the sea and polar law. Since September 2015, he has served as Ambassador for the Ocean with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and represents France at the highest level in international negotiations.



Ricardo Serrão Santos, Member of the European Parliament

Ricardo Serrão Santos (doctor in marine biology) is a Member of the European Parliament (EP) since July 2014, full Member of the Committees of Fisheries and of Agriculture and Rural Development and of the Inter-Parliamentary Delegation EU-Canada. He is Coordinator for Socialists and Democrats on Fisheries. He is also the Vice-Chair of the EP Intergroups on "Seas, Islands, Rivers and Coastal Zones" and on "Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development". Elected Member of the Portuguese Academy of Sciences.

CLOSING CEREMONY

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French

Wrap up





Peter M. Haugan is professor of oceanography at the Geophysical Institute, University of Bergen and research director at Institute of Marine Research, Norway. He has wide experience in ocean science and international science policy and is presently the elected chair of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC-UNESCO).



Lisa Emelia Svensson, Director/Coordinator, Marine and Coastal Ecosystems Branch, Division of Environmental Policy and Implementation, United Nations Environment Programme

Lisa Svensson is heading up the marine and costal ecosystem work program in the UN. Before taking up her assignment in UN, she was Sweden's Ambassador for Ocean, where she has advised the Government of Sweden on international ocean affairs issues.

Closing remarks



Dr Vladimir Ryabinin, Executive Secretary, IOC-UNESCO

Dr Ryabinin is the Executive Secretary of the IOC of UNESCO and Assistant Director-General of UNESCO. Before joining UNESCO, he worked as a senior scientific officer for the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP) at the World Meteorological Organization. The focus of his international coordination work on climate research was on polar matters, the cryosphere, stratospheric processes, oceans, atmospheric chemistry, sea-level rise, climate services, observation and modelling. He has conducted extensive research as an oceanographer, climatologist, and marine engineer. Photo credits: © IOC/MPR



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AROUND THE CONFERENCE

Important note: Due to a high number of registrations, please note that access to the conference is subject to seat availability. A livestream will be available simultaneously on September 10 in Room IX and on September 11 in Room VIII.

Cocktail

September 10, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm (UNESCO restaurant, 7th floor)

At the invitation of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute as part of its Take OFF program ("Take Ocean for Future").

Take Ocean for Future - Take OFF is a philanthropy project of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute which aims at supporting young researchers in ocean science worldwide and raising awareness on the Ocean. It is also a knowledge sharing platform for researchers, companies, non-profit organizations, institutions and the general public. The Take OFF project aims at becoming a scientific residence for young foreign researchers.

Poster exhibition

Posters will be displayed in the Mall during the coffee breaks on both days:

September 10, 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm • September 11, 10:30 pm to 11:00 am

Partner organizations and participating institutions will display their activities in posters, which will provide an overview of current research and on-the-ground initiatives in ocean science worldwide.

Ocean science can help us to address impacts from climate change, marine pollution, ocean acidification, the loss of marine species and degradation of marine and coastal environments. To achieve sustainable development, good science is needed to inform policies and raise the knowledge bar of all stakeholders.

> - Vladimir Ryabinin Executive Secretary, IOC-UNESCO

SPECIAL SESSION: SCIENCES COOPERATION, POLICIES INTERFACES AND SDGS IN SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN

MONDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French



Organized by the French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD) and the University of Western Brittany (UBO)

South Atlantic marine environments and coastal socio-ecosystems are facing major challenges in the context of global change. Transdisciplinary scientific cooperation across both sides of the Atlantic and a better dialogue between science and policy are essential to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. In this special session, research programmes in different areas of concern will be presented and policymakers will be invited to discuss. This event will launch a foresight programme on the need of sciences and adapted policies for coastal and marine waters in the South Atlantic Ocean by the Ocean University Initiative for the creation of a UNU institute dedicated to the Ocean. It will also feed regional consultations of the IOC in the framework of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development and the implementation of the Belem agreement.

WELCOME ADDRESS



Frédéric Ménard Head of the OCEANS scientific Department at IRD



Amadou Gaye Director General of Research, Senegal

KEYNOTE SPEECH

SPEAKERS

PART 1

PART 2



Bamol Sow Head of Physics Department, Assane Seck Ziguinchor University, Senegal



Silva Osvaldina President of National Institute for Fisheries Research and Development, Cape Verde



Moacyr Araujo Departamento de Oceanografia, Federal University of Pernambuco, Brazil



Patricia Norma Muñoz Sevilla Director of the Center for Research and Advanced Studies, National Polytechnic Institute, and President of the Climate Change Council, Mexico



Isabelle Ansorge Oceanography Department, University of Cape Town, South Africa



Cyrille Barnerias, Head of European and International Affairs Department, French Agency for Biodiversity (AFB)



Alexander Turra Oceanographic Institute, University of São Paulo, Brazil



Abou Bamba Executive Secretary of the Abidjan Convention, Côte d'Ivoire

WRAP UP AND FOLLOW UP



Denis Bailly OCEAN University Initiative coordinator, UBO

SPECIAL SESSION: MAKING WAVES: WOMEN IN OCEAN SCIENCE

MONDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French A light lunch will be offered to registered participants at 12:30 pm in the Mall prior to the start of the session at 1:00 pm.

Canada

Organized by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and the Permanent Delegation of Canada to UNESCO

Gender equality in ocean-related sciences, as in all scientific fields, remains a priority and recalling the IOC's commitment to advance gender issues within the context of the Decade, Canada is hosting a panel discussion on Women in Ocean Science on September 10, 2018. This 60-minute event will include short presentations by relevant leaders in the fields of ocean science and engagement, followed by a group discussion moderated by Canada's Ambassador to UNESCO Ms. Elaine Ayotte. The panel will highlight IOC member state support for the consideration of gender issues in improving the global oceans knowledge base and in decision-making in support of building more resilient coastal communities. The discussion will also focus on concrete opportunities to advance women's issues and priorities in the context of the UN Decade of Ocean Science.

MODERATOR



Elaine Ayotte Canada's Ambassador to UNESCO

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SPEAKERS



Dr Wendy Watson-Wright, Chief Executive Officer of the Ocean Frontier Institute, Canada





Professor Jackqueine Uku, Senior Research Officer and Research Coordinator, Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute, Mombasa and President of the Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association, Kenya



Professor Gretta Pecl Director, Centre for Marine Socioecology and IMAS ARC Future Fellow, University of Tasmania, Australia

Professor Angela Hatton

Director of Science and

Technology, National

United Kingdom

Oceanography Centre,

SPECIAL SESSION: ACADEMIC RESEARCH: WHICH CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF OCEAN SCIENCE?

TUESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

2:30 PM - 5:00 PM (Room X) • Interpretation: English, French



Organizers: CNRS (National Center for Scientific Research) and AllEnvi (French Alliance for the Environment)

Societies now operate outside safe planetary boundaries. The new race for blue economy, coastal development and demography poses serious challenges for ocean sustainability, as underlined by the launch of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development. Ocean science needs to help foster social-ecological synergies to avoid common trade-offs between biodiversity conservation and resource use. However, several challenges are ahead: How to best model complex, interacting systems? How natural, environmental, earth and natural sciences should be integrated? Which data are needed and how to make the best use of big data? What innovations are expected in social-ecological systems management? How can science guide and inform about the environmental, social and financial costs of transformations towards sustainable social-ecological systems? How to best operationalize science-policy interfaces to improve evidence-based decision-making?

MODERATOR



Marie-Alexandrine Sicre, Research Director, CNRS-SCOR



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