

Cultural Heritage Framework Programme (CHFP)

Decade Programme

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Lead Institution

Ocean Decade Heritage Network (ODHN)

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KEY PARTNERS

- Honor Frost Foundation
- UNESCO 2001 Convention on the Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage
- UNESCO UNITWIN Underwater Archaeology Network
- Advisory Council on Underwater Archaeology
- The ICOMOS International Committee on the Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH)

DECADE CHALLENGES ADDRESSED

CHALLENGE 9: Skills, knowledge and technology for all

CHALLENGE 10: Change humanity's relationship with the ocean

OCEAN BASINS

North Atlantic Indian
South Atlantic Arctic
North Pacific Southern
South Pacific



Summary

The Cultural Heritage Framework Programme (CHFP) provides a framework within which Decade Actions relating to cultural heritage can be encouraged, shared and supported, so that the impacts of such actions in delivering sustainable development are greater together than they would be individually. The CHFP offers an efficient interface between heritage and the Ocean Decade, providing advice and assistance to other programmes, projects and activities in key areas such as: showcasing integration of heritage and ocean science; facilitating co-design; managing data and knowledge; developing capacity; enabling greater diversity and representation; encouraging ocean literacy and public engagement and outreach; and evaluating impact.

Duration: 01/01/2021 - 31/12/2030

Priority Activities (first 2 years)

During the first two years efforts will focus on:

- i. Establishing a CHFP Secretariat
- ii. Establishing a digital platform/hub
- iii. Supporting outputs from Decade Actions in the heritage sphere:
 - Facilitating the production of outputs from Decade Actions relating to cultural heritage, especially where the capacity to deliver might be limited. Activities include: (1) providing advice and signposting to journals and publishers for publications and (2) assisting with digital options, including webinars.
- iv. Public dissemination:
 - Raising public awareness about the UN Ocean Decade and the place of cultural heritage within it. Activities include: (1) liaising with the Ocean Decade communications team (2) collaborating with Ocean Literacy programmes and networks and (3) making independent use of opportunities to publicise the Ocean Decade through cultural heritage.

"Over the next ten years, the Cultural Heritage Framework Programme will ensure that 'the ocean we want' is inspired and informed by the long and diverse histories and living heritage of people and the sea."

Antony Firth, Historic England

