



**At the heart of
the Ocean Decade**

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3 integrated programmes to help achieve the **Global Ocean Observing System 2030 Strategy** and **Ocean Decade** outcomes

- **CO-DESIGN**
- **COASTAL OCEAN**
- **CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT**



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Meeting stakeholder needs and making every observation count

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GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- **Sustained** ocean observations
- **Engagement with GOOS components** (networks, regional systems, etc);
- Use and / or contribute to **best practices**;
- **FAIR** [findable, accessible, interoperable, and reusable] data principles;
- **Share** experience and lessons learnt;
- Engage in **co-design** activities



OBSERVING TOGETHER PROJECTS ENDORSED BY THE OCEAN DECADE **PROJECT CONTACTS PAGE LINKED**

NEW OBSERVING SYSTEMS:

National Commission for Education, Sciences and Culture, Kingdom of Morocco (MarocNatCom)

Enhancement of oceanic knowledge by developing a Moroccan national observations network

Mauritius Meteorological Services

Enhancement of the ocean observing system within the Republic of Mauritius

END-USER ENGAGEMENT:

Agency for Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysics of the Republic of Indonesia [BMKG]

Ocean Literacy: Fisherman Weather Field School - Sekolah Lapang Cuaca Nelayan [SLCN]

AtlantOS-Connect

Focus on user community engagement with observing networks

NEW OBSERVERS:

Norway NTNU

Sailing4Science: expand capacity for through citizen science, with emphasis on remote under-observed areas

PROGRAMME COORDINATION

GOOS components: OCG, OCEANOPS, ETOOFS, networks

GRAs, CLIVAR, other initiatives

GOOS Ocean Decade Programmes

Ocean Best Practices, IODE, OTGA



SUPPORT & INTERACTION THROUGH:
Expert consultation | Workshops | Knowledge sharing sessions | Co-design / interaction with Exemplars & pilot areas



PROJECT ONBOARDING

- > Scope project needs, maturity, opportunities for synergy.
- > Identify commonalities with other projects

OPTIONAL: PROJECT SCOPING

- > Support to more fully scope & design project & estimated costs

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

PRIORITIES

- > Design based on priority needs v cost
- > Implementation plan & timeframe
- > Budget based on design & timeframe
- > Define metrics for evaluation

BUILD CAPACITY

- > Expertise
- > Infrastructure
- > Data management

SHARE

- > Contribute data
- > Contribute to knowledge sharing / best practice development

EVALUATE

- > Examine metrics
- > Re-evaluate priorities

ONGOING SUSTAINED PART OF GOOS

OBSERVING TOGETHER PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- **NATIONAL OBSERVING SYSTEMS**

Morocco, Mauritius

- **END-USER ENGAGEMENT**

Indonesia, AtlantOS

- **NEW OBSERVERS**

Norway (Ghana, Tanzania)





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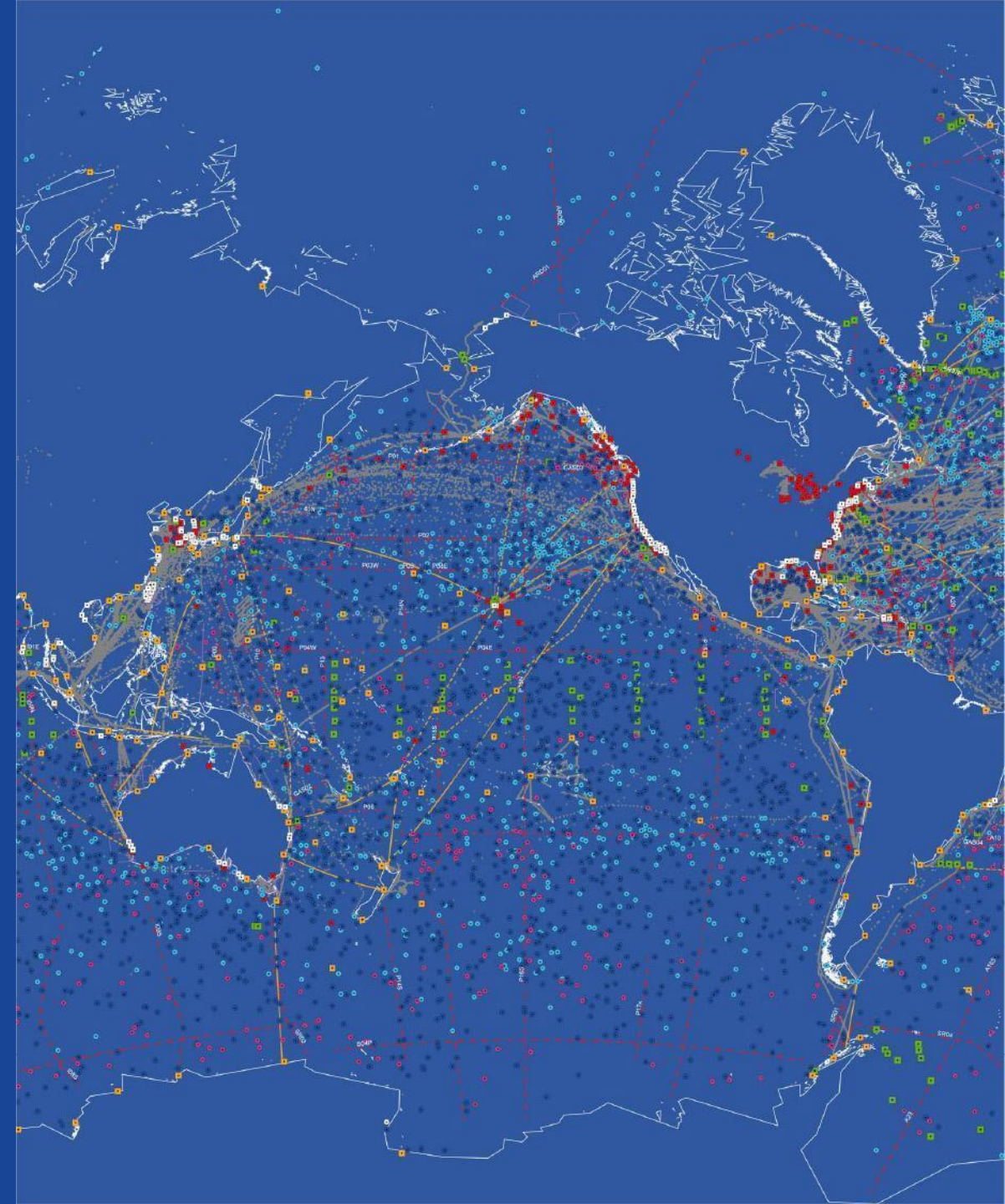
Transforming our ocean observing system assessment and design process

Programme leadership: David Legler, NOAA; Sabrina Speich IPSL; Emma Heslop, IOC/UNESCO

Programme support: Andrea McCurdy, Ocean Leadership; Mairéad O'Donovan, GOOS - IOC UNESCO; Ann-Christine Zinkann, NOAA



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— THE NEED...



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— Connect to **end users**

— Lack of information on value to help **prioritize investment**

— Leverage separate pockets of science research - **convene global effort**

— Society's **needs are expanding and urgent**, especially vulnerable communities - SIDS, LDCs



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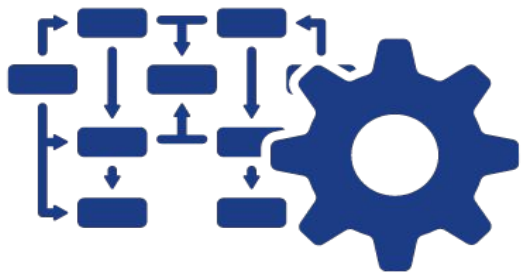
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A background map of the Atlantic Ocean region, showing a dense network of observation points represented by small, multi-colored dots (blue, green, yellow, red, purple) and thin lines connecting them, indicating a complex data collection network.

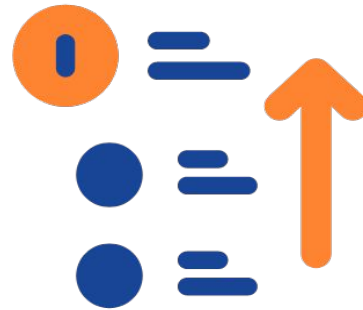
**The Programme will evolve the
ocean observing system so that it is
co-designed with end-users and
responds to their needs**

— THE CHANGE

Increase Global Capacity



Bridge and engage across observing - modeling/forecasting- policy and other users

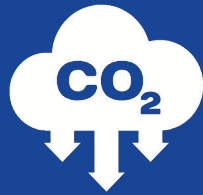


Establish clear priorities for investment in ocean observing



Accessible and impactful ocean information to effectively meet global challenges

HOW DO WE BEGIN? EXEMPLAR PROJECTS



Ocean Carbon Cycle



Tropical Cyclones



Marine Life



Marine Heatwaves



Boundary Current



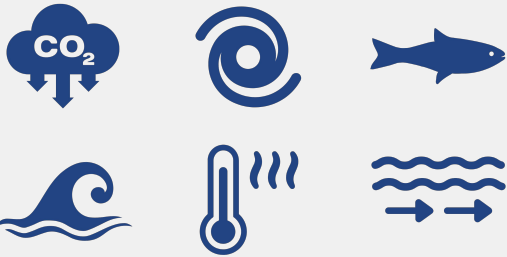
Storm Surge

— CO-DESIGN to bring about a **STEP CHANGE**

Year 1-2

ENGAGEMENT & DESIGN

Engaging with user communities to inform pilot activity



Year 2-3

PILOT ACTIVITY

Fill observing system gaps and evaluate solutions

Refine delivery of ocean information

Year 3-4

IMPLEMENTATION

Maximize Return On Investment

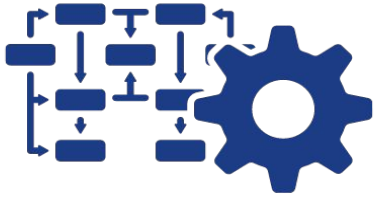
Embed across global observing systems

Tools for tracking and reporting of success

Continuous engagement and feedback from user communities

Develop standards and processes

— TANGIBLE OUTCOMES



Link along
value chain and
users



Blueprint for
services if they
don't exist



Design for
observing and
forecasting



Economic value
assessment



Ongoing **tracking**
of implementation

EXEMPLAR PROJECT PILOT AREAS



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MARINE HEATWAVES -

West Africa, Med Sea,
Caribbean

BOUNDARY CURRENTS -

Agulhas, Gulf, Kuroshio

CARBON -

north Atlantic
TROPICAL CYCLONES - Bay of
Bengal/Indian Ocean, North
Pacific (NPOMS), Trop Atlantic

MARINE LIFE - Costa Rica,
Malaysia, NW Atlantic

STORM SURGE - local sites





CoastPredict

with The Global Ocean Observing System

Revolutionising Global Coastal Ocean observing and forecasting coastpredict.org

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Objective

- co-design and implement an **integrated coastal ocean observing and forecasting system** adhering to best practices and standards, designed as a **global framework and implemented locally**

For nations: responsive & fit-for-purpose systems into coast to address many challenges: 30x30, carbon sequestration, shipping/ports, hypoxia, storm surge, climate impacts ...

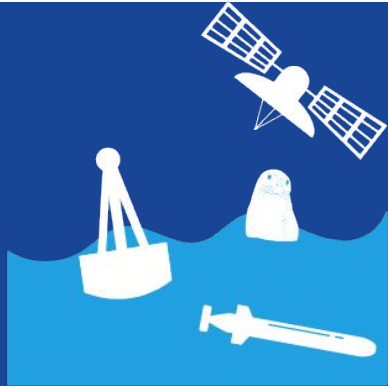




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CoastPredict potential to transform



Leverage and evolve existing GOOS infrastructure

Evolve a system that complements what already exists and works



Fill gaps

New observing technology, community science, commercial networks



Build for the future

Integrate & build a system that continues to evolve beyond the Decade



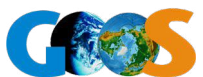
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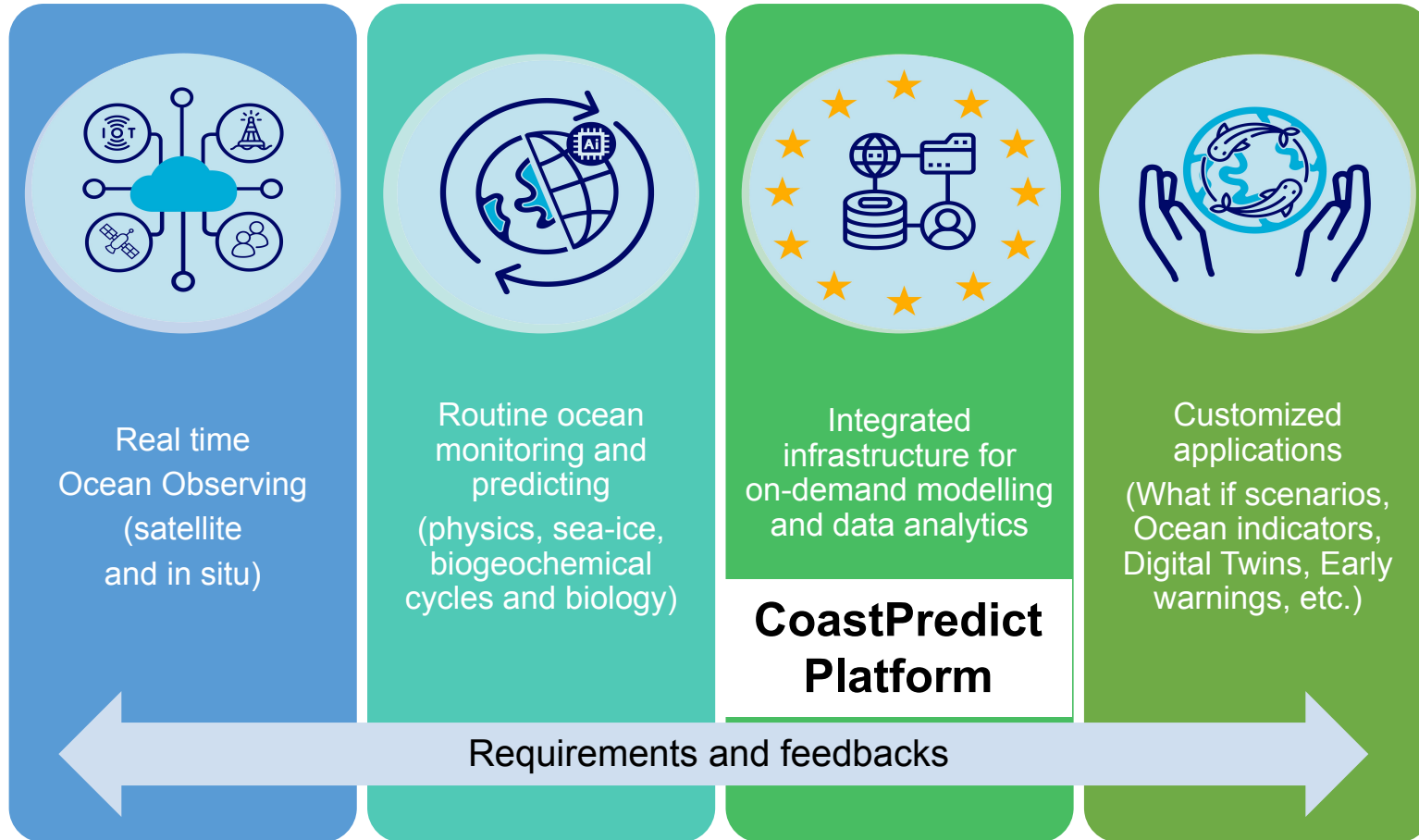
Global Coastal Experiment

- 1) define **test sites** in coastal areas around the world
- 2) Design, implement, calibrate and validate integrated observing and modelling systems for each test site experiment, the outcomes of which should be shared on Test Site Experiment Platforms and replicable in other coastal areas

REQUEST FOR GRAs to contribute to site selection



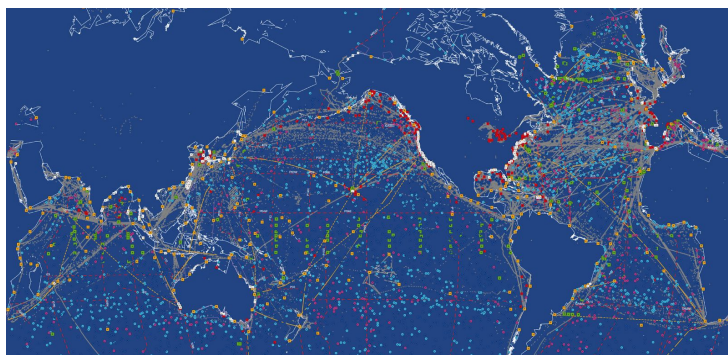
CoastPredict: strengthen Coastal Operational Oceanography



— Transformational for GOOS and the Ocean Decade



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Connecting ocean observers and the communities they serve to transform ocean data access and availability

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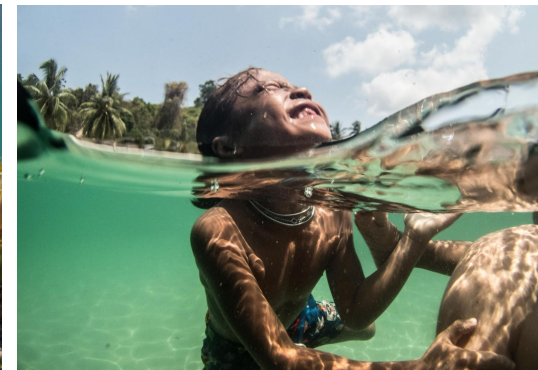
PROJECT / PILOT AREAS

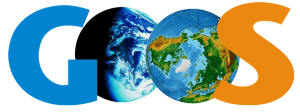


-  OCEAN OBSERVING CO-DESIGN
-  OBSERVING TOGETHER

— OPPORTUNITIES

- Project activities support **strengthening of GRAs / integration of new countries?**
- Alignment of **project activities with needs** identified in your region?
- Catalyse greater **connectivity** at global scale
- Foster long-term links **across observing, modelling, services**
- Information on **Return on Investment** in observing and forecasting





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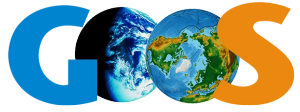
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GOOS at the heart of the Ocean Decade

Our observations and predictions are the foundation of much of the exciting work the Ocean Decade will carry out and essential to help give us the ocean we need for the future we want.





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Project / Exemplar project summaries on next pages





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PROJECTS IN FOCUS: NATIONAL OBSERVING SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT

- ➔ **Enhancing ocean observing system within the Republic of Mauritius**
- ➔ **Enhancement of hydrographic and oceanographic observations in the Kingdom of Morocco**
 - enhancement of ocean knowledge and forecasting by developing and enhancing national systems
 - contribute to regional programmes of African / Indian Ocean regions
 - strengthen capacity: platforms and network development
 - develop modelling capabilities
 - benefit from and adhere to best practices

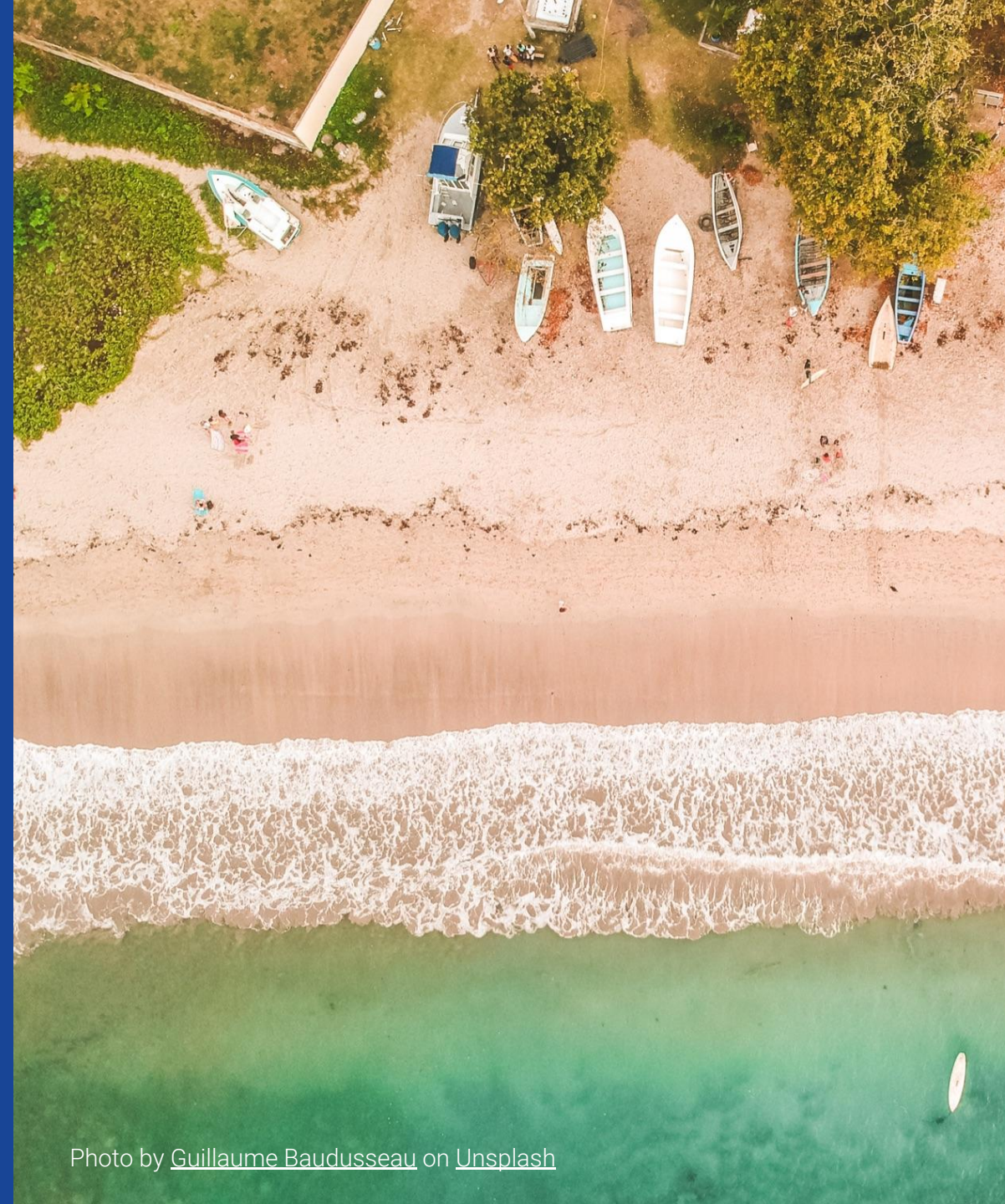


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PROJECTS IN FOCUS: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

➔ **AtlantOS-Connect**

- integrate user communities to understand their needs
- enhance data accessibility to increase the value and responsiveness of the ocean observing system to critical users
- diversify membership of the AtlantOS Steering Committee
- develop and communicate studies of the societal and economic value of Atlantic Ocean observing to user communities





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PROJECTS IN FOCUS: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

➔ **Fisherman Weather Field School (BMKG Indonesia)**

- educating fishing communities to improve knowledge about weather climate literacy and climate change and their use for fishermen and coastal communities
- reduce accidents / risk due to extreme weather
- increase business certainty and sustainability by optimising fishing & aquaculture activities
- increase awareness of in-situ equipment vital role, to reduce vandalism

POTENTIAL TO REPLICATE THIS IN OTHER COUNTRIES / REGIONS?



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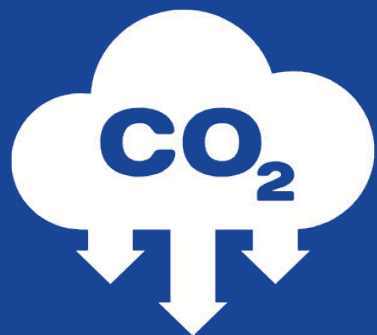
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PROJECTS IN FOCUS: NEW OBSERVERS

➔ Sailing 4 Science (NTNU Norway)

- focus on remote, understudied coastal ocean often coinciding with SIDS or low income communities, where capacity building must be carefully co-designed
- deploy frugal, cost-effective observation tools
- Big capacity development focus e.g. **Ghana Dec 2022 / Tanzania Jan 2023**
- **POTENTIAL TO INTERACT WITH GRAs WHEN EXPEDITIONS ARE HAPPENING TO TARGET PRIORITY OBSERVATIONS?**





OCEAN CARBON

Users:
Government policy, Carbon
Dioxide Removal industry and
regulators, UNFCCC,
Nature-based solutions, Fisheries

Pilot Region: North Atlantic

We cannot know what 'net zero' is without ocean carbon. Leverage leading edge projects towards defining what societal users need.

- How will Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) activities collectively affect the Ocean Carbon Cycle and net ocean carbon?
- 'If we do this amount of CDR and this amount of fishing in this area' then what will happen to the Ocean Carbon Cycle?

A cohesive global system:

- Support climate targets, adaptation and management strategies
- Inform Carbon Dioxide Removal targets and policy
- Predict coastal and ecosystem impacts



TROPICAL CYCLONES

Users:
Cyclone Forecasting Centres,
Emergency Response, Blue
economy

Pilot Region: Tropical
Atlantic/Caribbean Sea, North
Pacific and Marginal Seas, Indian
Ocean/Bay of Bengal

Disproportionate impacts in Less Developed Countries and Small Island Developing States

Impacts are being amplified by warming ocean, rising sea levels, growing coastal populations - how do we improve forecasts to **save lives and property in the future?**

What is the best system design to support **equity and resilience for all coastal regions?**

Co-designed regional systems will:

- Test new responsive observing technologies
- Improve early-warning systems
- Enhance forecasting capacity in critical regions (e.g. LDCs, SIDS)

Impacts of ocean current structures on climate phenomena



BOUNDARY CURRENTS

Users:
Weather services; Regional fisheries; Ocean Industries, e.g. shipping; Marine resource management, Other Exemplar Projects [Carbon, Cyclones, Heatwaves]

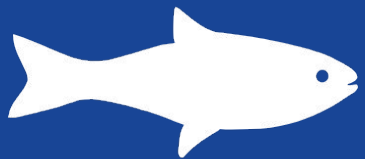
Pilot Region: Agulhas Current, Gulf Stream and Kuroshio

Boundary current variability and prediction is **critical** to short-term and seasonal **weather forecasts**, climate **adaptation**, regional **fisheries**, food **security** and **blue economies**.

Co-design to enhance regional operational ocean modelling using a multi-platform approach:

- Product and services for ocean industries (i.e., shipping)
- Integrated boundary current observing system strategy
- Report on economic value of a boundary current monitoring system

Sustainably manage ocean resources



MARINE LIFE

Users:

Small scale fishers;
National and regional
governments; industry;
International conventions and
treaties, Intergovernmental
Science-Policy Platform on
Biodiversity and Ecosystem
Services (IPBES)

Pilot Region: Costa Rica;
Malaysia, N. Atlantic, global (for
30x30 MPAs designation needs)

This exemplar will identify needs for scientific information about **marine life** at local, regional and global scales in an integrated way, to **sustainably manage** ocean **resources** and improve the **livelihood** of coastal communities.

Co-design to improve predictive capabilities for ocean resource management:

- A framework for observations at different scales and the intersection of development, conservation, science, and policy
- Global ecosystem assessments with national participation
- Stakeholder driven planning for 30x30 and sustainable development



STORM SURGE

Users:

National weather & ocean
forecast centres; First & second
responders;
Resiliency planners;
Aquaculture, ports, tourism,
insurance industries

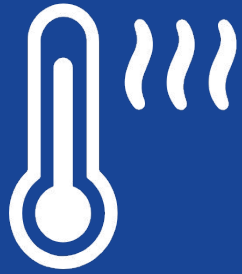
Pilot Region: Shelf and slope
regions in global coastal ocean

Improving forecasting lead-time and accuracy to save livelihoods

This exemplar will develop **observing** and **forecasting capabilities** to better serve **vulnerable communities**.

Co-design regionally distributed ocean observing and forecasting systems at local pilot sites in the global coastal ocean.

- Relocatable integrated observing and prediction for storm surge
- Development of impact forecasting systems
- Storm surge hazard and warning systems, end-to-end demonstration



MARINE HEATWAVES

Users:

Climate change adaptation;
Aquaculture; Commercial,
artisanal & Industrial fisheries;
Operational forecast centers;
MPA & coral reef management

Pilot Region: Mediterranean
Sea, Caribbean Sea, West Africa

Co-design a sustainable monitoring system of marine heatwaves

This exemplar will develop a sustainable **monitoring system** to better advise **management** to ensure **food security** through **transformative science**.

Co-design of operational forecast models for marine heatwaves:

- Real-time in-situ information for validation and corrections of operational forecast models
- Early warning systems for end-users
- Sustainable monitoring systems of marine heatwaves and their impacts on marine ecosystems co-designed with stakeholders

— CO-DESIGN EXPERT TEAM LEADS [some have wider international steering teams]



BOUNDARY CURRENTS

- Tamaryn Morris, South African Weather Service, SAF
- Ann-Christine Zinkann, NOAA, USA



MARINE LIFE

- Frank Muller-Karger, U. South Florida, USA
- Jake Kritzer, G. Canonico, IOOS, USA



OCEAN CARBON

- Richard Sanders, NORCE / ICOS, NOR
- Anya Waite, Ocean Frontier Institute, CAN



TROPICAL CYCLONES

- Scott Glenn, Rutgers University, USA
- Cheyenne Stienbarger, NOAA, USA



MARINE HEATWAVES

- Alban Lazar, SU-LOCEAN, FR
- Diana Ruiz Pino, SU-LOCEAN, FR
- Juan Carlos Herguera, CIGOM-CICESE, MEX



STORM SURGE

- Giovanni Coppini, CMCC, IT