



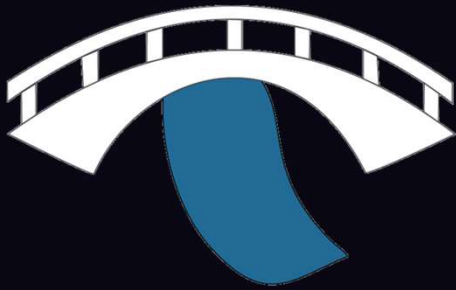
# Updates and Opportunities for Engagement

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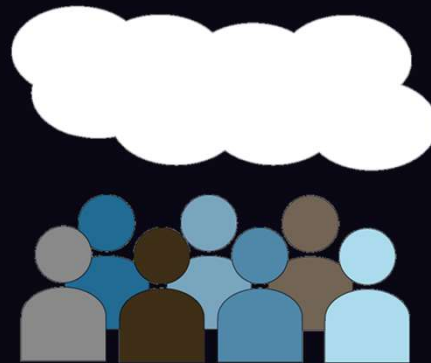
# What is DOOS?



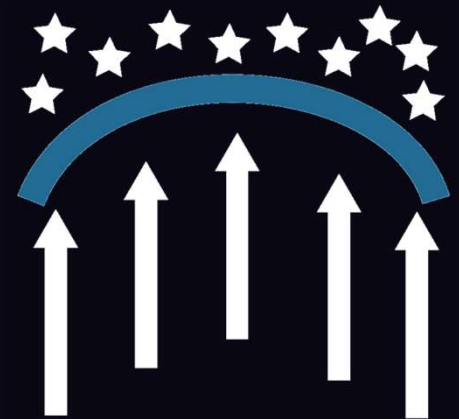
The Deep Ocean Observing Strategy (DOOS) is a community-driven, international initiative strategically aligning the deep ocean observing community toward collective solution-based science.



Builds bridges across disciplines and communities



Facilitates discussions between people/groups tackling similar global deep-sea challenges



Promotes the development of future leaders and elevates diverse global voices

# How do we do DOOS?

**DOOS working groups address global deep sea challenges at the intersection of communities and disciplines.**

Working groups were designed with...

- .....community input to determine priority actions,
- .....leverage existing research efforts and resources,
- .....and address defined challenges and gaps together.

**Our Working Model - Align individual efforts toward shared aims of addressing challenges in the deep seaby creating a series of initiatives designed to 1) add value to the work of the global volunteers and 2) lead to novel research collaborations and external funding opportunities.**

# Recent Updates/Highlights

- Received funding from the US NSF AccelNet; support for 4 years
- Endorsed as an UN Ocean Decade Programme
- Held two virtual Annual Meetings
  - 2022 - 263 Registered participants from 41 Countries, 57% ECOPS
  - 2023 - 223 Registered participants from 39 Countries, 54% ECOPS
- Upcoming in-person event - Deep Ocean Collective Solution Accelerator
  - Oct 2-5 Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, CA USA
- 4 Peer reviewed publications in 2022
- Participation in community events
  - 20+ Presentations at US & International Events
  - Hosted 4 sessions at community events
  - Decade Satellite Activity, Ocean Sciences Meeting, ESIP, OBPS
  - Participation in UN Ocean Conference & COP 27
- Established the DOERs - 120 DOERs ( $\frac{2}{3}$  outside the US, 33 from developing countries)
- Our collaborative efforts have resulted in new funding for specific initiatives and research projects!!

# Working Group Initiatives

## **Connection points for engagement.**

Essential Ocean Variables - providing a deep ocean perspective

- Creation and review of spec sheets and background documentation

Improving coordination to close gaps in understanding of climate change in the deep sea

- Crowd sourced IPCC AR6 Gap analysis
- New collaborations funded for observing system simulation experiments
- Multi-disciplinary workshop funded for surface to deep climate connections

Cheap(er) & Deep(er) Technology for Capacity Development

- Scoping exercise - open-source online repository
- Journal Special Issue to promote tech solutions
- Summer School for training next generation

# Working Group Initiatives

## Connection points for engagement.

### Ecological Mapping & Datastream Planning for Spatially Managed Areas

- Pilot study area in Monterey Bay; harmonize with similar efforts to expand globally

### Supporting FAIR Data Practices

- ODIS OceanInfoHub Decade Programme
- NSF DeCODER project - increasing data findability via schema.org
- ECR data training

### Science to Policy Translation

- UN & International Bodies Listening Sessions
- Desktop Studies
  - IPCC AR6 Deep Ocean Gap Analysis
  - Review of IOC State of the Ocean Report & GESAMP Reports
  - Assessment of Ocean Data used by FAO in RFMOs

 Stay Engaged!

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# Additional Reference Materials

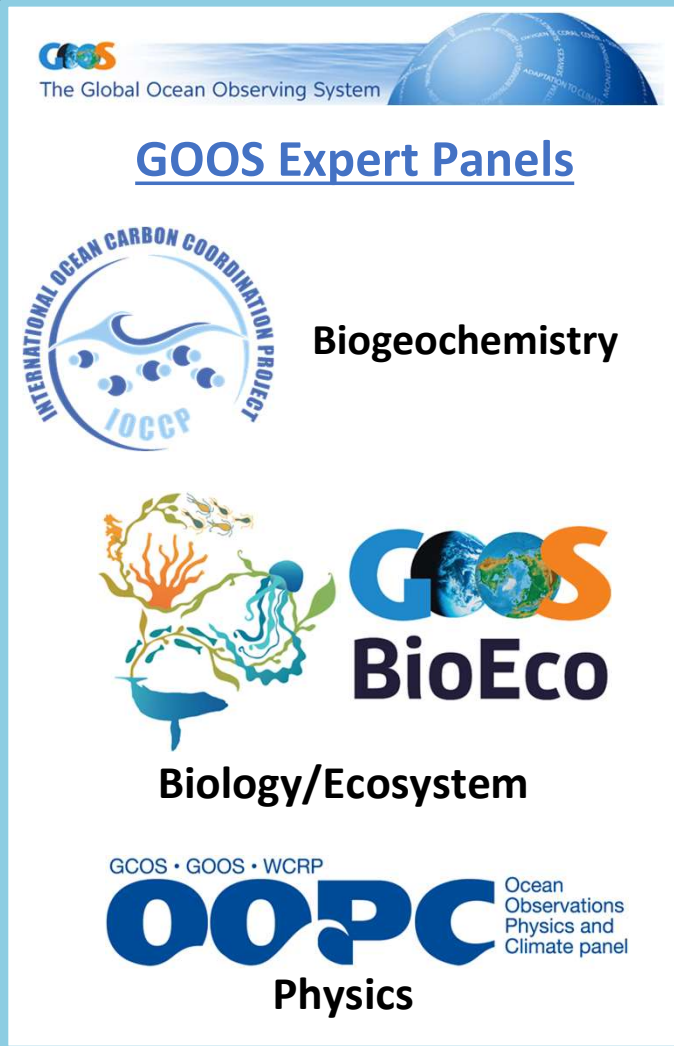
The remaining slides note specific initiatives and accomplishments of DOOS Working Groups since Fall 2021.



# Essential Ocean Variables

## Advancing and Implementing EOVs in Physics, Biogeochemistry, and Biology/Ecology

- Physics:
  - Ocean Bottom Pressure - Accepted
  - Turbulence - OOPC review
  - Geothermal Heat Flux - Under development
- Biogeochemistry:
  - Methane - Community review
  - Seafloor Respiration - Spec sheet drafted
  - Seafloor Labile Organic Matter - Spec sheet drafted
- Biology/Ecology:
  - Invertebrates - Perspective paper submitted
  - Cold Water Coral - Community review
  - Sponges - Spec sheet drafted



The graphic displays the GOOS Expert Panels. At the top is the GOOS logo with the text 'The Global Ocean Observing System' and a globe. Below this is the heading 'GOOS Expert Panels'. Three panels are listed: 1. Biogeochemistry, featuring the IOCCP logo (International Ocean Carbon Coordination Project). 2. Biology/Ecosystem, featuring the GOOS BioEco logo with a colorful illustration of marine life. 3. Physics, featuring the OOPC logo (Ocean Observations Physics and Climate panel) and the text 'GCOS • GOOS • WCRP'.

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GOOS Expert Panels

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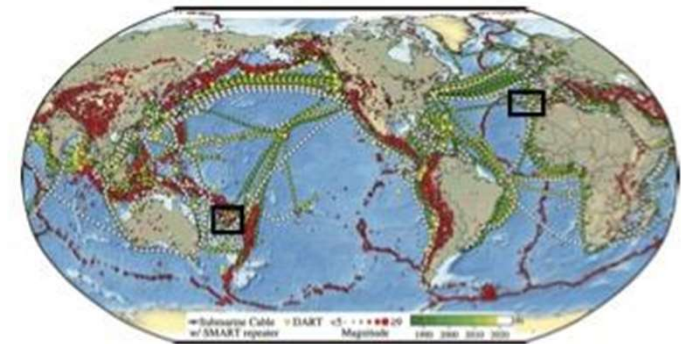
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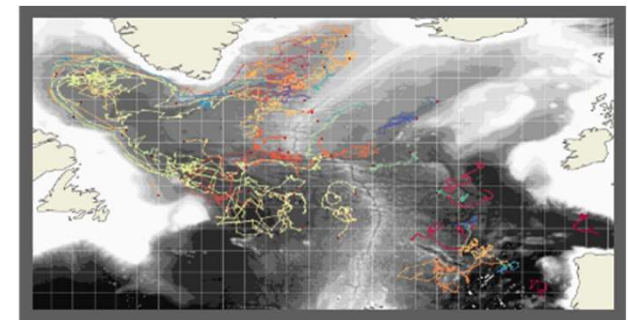
# Connecting Modeling & Observing

## Improving coordination to close major gaps in our understanding of climate change in the deep sea:

- Grant funded by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation to advance **SMART Subsea Cables** by supporting observing system simulation experiments to quantify benefits of ocean bottom temperature and pressure (EOV).
- Proposal funded by NSF Chemical Oceanography to interrogate an effective strategy for **global ocean oxygen monitoring** by expanding the Deep Argo Array.
- Interdisciplinary workshop funded by US CLIVAR & OCB to explore **surface to deep ocean climate connections** in Spring 2024 (co-organized by US CLIVAR POS & OCB).
- DOOS community **review of IPCC AR6** underway to collate deep ocean sciences gaps for understanding and monitoring climate change.



*Credit: Bruce Howe, U. Hawaii*



*Credit: Damien Desbruyères, IFREMER*

# Cheap & Deep Technology for Capacity Development

- Session at Ocean Best Practices Workshop
- Scene setting synthesis publication
- Next steps:
  - Developing an open-source online repository of current cheap & deep solutions to increase their accessibility.
  - MTS Journal Special Issue to promote these solutions
  - Potential Summer School for training the next gen of deep ocean tech developers and researchers
- Co-led by the Ocean Discovery League

## Maka Niu



Photo: Sheen Talma  
(Maldives @ 900 m)



## 2022 Global Deep-Sea Capacity Assessment

Create Pub Search



<https://deepseacapacity.oceandiscoveryleague.org>



# Ecological Mapping

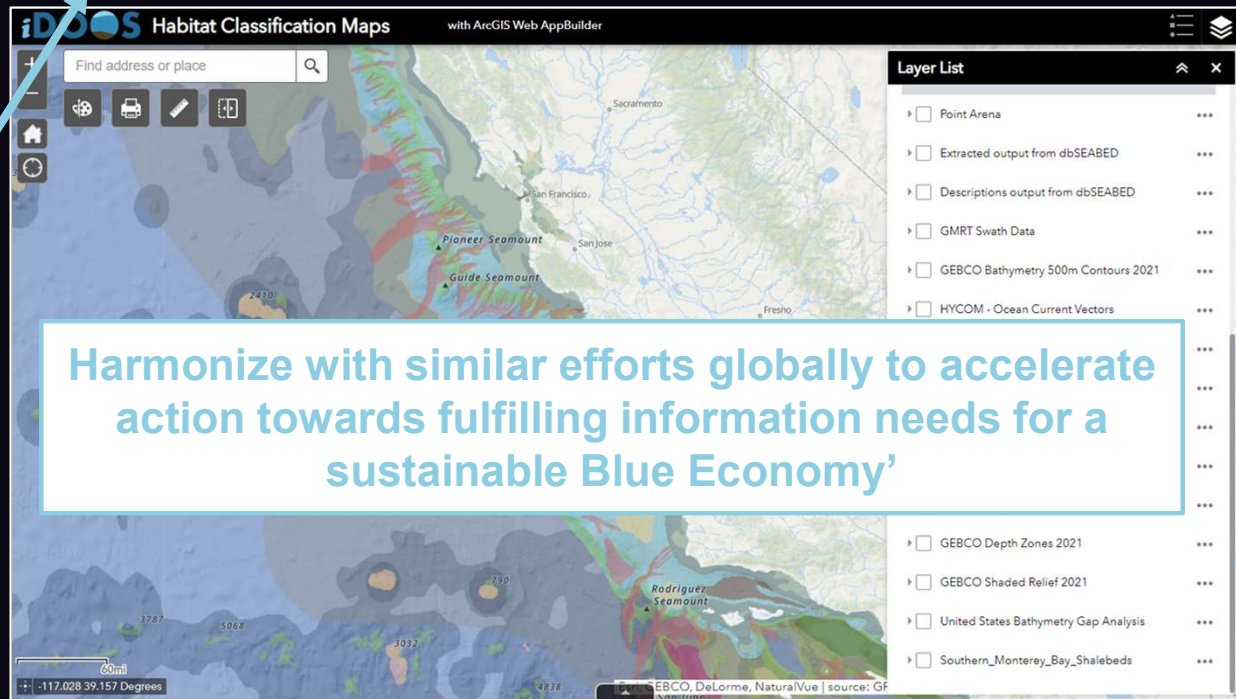
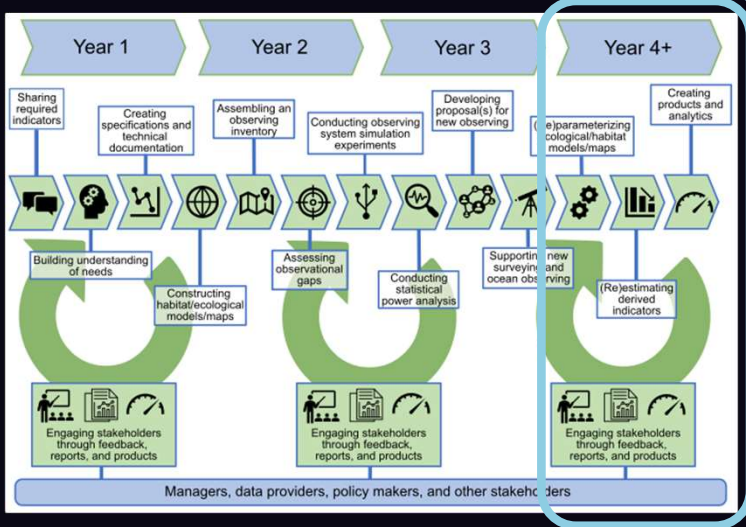
## Datastream Planning

Goal - gridded benthic invert map of the west coast EEZ for use across applications - MPAs, Sanctuaries and offshore wind.

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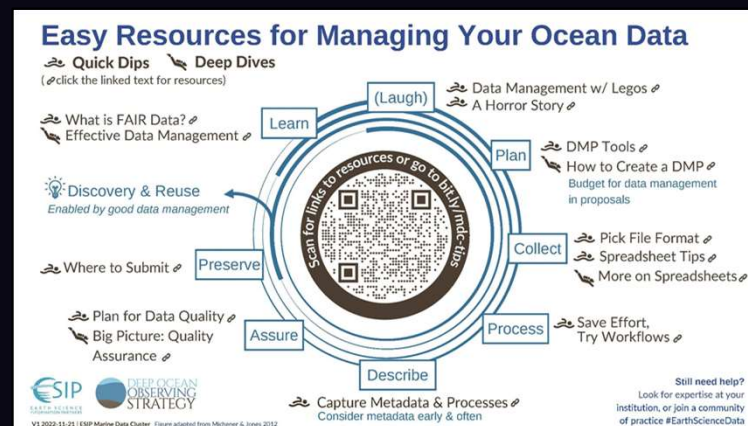
**Building on a human-centred, iterative, and agile co-design strategy to facilitate the availability of deep ocean data**

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# Supporting FAIR-er data

- Collaborations with ODIS OceanInfoHub Decade Programme
- Awarded funding to implement schema.org in deep sea data repositories = increased findability (DeCODER project)
- Awarded funding to facilitate communication between data managers and users in collaboration with ESIP Marine Data Cluster
- Focused data training for early-career researchers  
<https://www.deepoceanobserving.org/pages/doers-data-training>



<https://www.deepoceanobserving.org/pages/tips-for-managing-your-ocean-data>

# Science to Policy Translation

Listening Sessions with UN & International Bodies



Leads: Lisa Levin, Dawn Wright, Kristina Gjerde

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## Designing, generating, and translating deep-ocean observations for and with international policy makers

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## Desktop Projects:

- Review of Deep Ocean in IOC's State of the Ocean Report - Pilot June 2022, COMPLETED
- Assessment of Ocean Data Use by RFMOs - Led by Amelia Bridges and Lissette Victorero
- Climate-Related Data Gaps (AR 6) - Led by Laura Cimoli, Liz Hetherington and Helen Pillar
- GESAMP Reports and the Deep Ocean - TO BE INITIATED

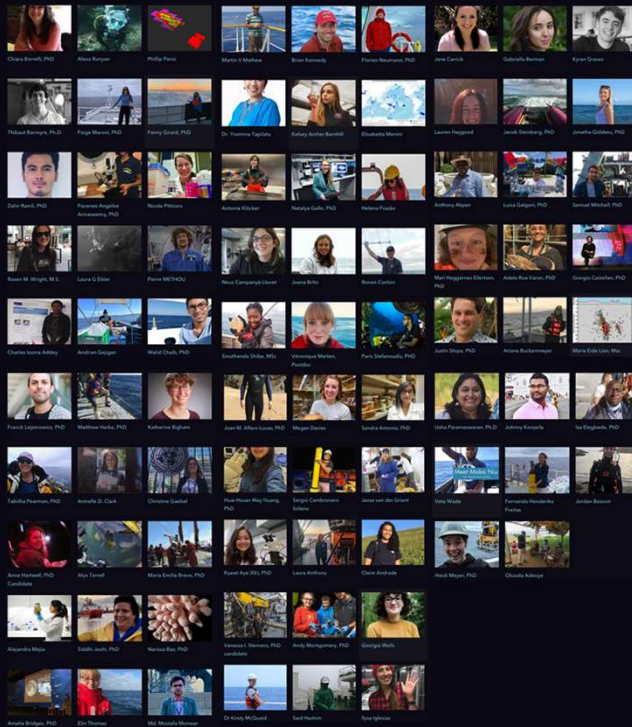


# DOERs - Deep Ocean Early-career Researchers

The science we need for the ocean we want...  
requires a sustained & innovative workforce



# DOERs



**Climate Education Hub**  
EARTHDAY.ORG x COP27

**CGP27**  
CLIMATE GOVERNANCE GROUP 2022

**DOSI**  
DEEP OCEAN SCIENCE INITIATIVE

## The Deep Sea, the Climate, and the Next Generation

Wednesday, November 9, 2022  
4.30pm-5.30pm GMT+2 (10:30am EST)  
Climate Education Hub, Blue Zone COP27  
Watch online: [earthday.org/climateeducationhub/](https://earthday.org/climateeducationhub/)

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