



2021 United Nations Decade
2030 of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development

Call for Decade Actions No. 06/2023 - Programme Application

Information - Please read it entirely before proceeding with your application

Call for Decade Actions No. 06/2023 - Request for Endorsement of Programmes

This form should be used by proposers invited to submit the full Decade Programme proposal after the review of the expression of interest.

Please read all the supporting documentation to the Call carefully before submitting your application:

1. [Guidance Note](#)
2. [FAQ](#)
3. Ocean Decade [Implementation Plan](#) and [Summary](#)

The deadline for submission for this form is 23.59h UTC 31 January 2023.

Important Information:

Please note that all character limits include spaces.

Please find the PDF and Word versions of the form [here](#). Please note that these are for your use only, e.g. to help prepare your submission. Only submissions sent via the online form will be accepted.

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Proposal scope

* 1. On which Ocean Decade Challenge does your Decade Action have a primary focus?

Note that in response to Q.31 you will be able to identify all other Challenges that relate to your Action.

- ☐ Challenge 1: Understand and map land and sea-based sources of pollutants and contaminants and their potential impacts on human health and ocean ecosystems, and develop solutions to remove or mitigate them.
- ☐ Challenge 2: Understand the effects of multiple stressors on ocean ecosystems, and develop solutions to monitor, protect, manage and restore ecosystems and their biodiversity under changing environmental, social and climate conditions.
- ☐ Challenge 3: Generate knowledge, support innovation, and develop solutions to optimise the role of the ocean in sustainably feeding the world's population under changing environmental, social and climate conditions.
- ☐ Challenge 4: Generate knowledge, support innovation, and develop solutions for equitable and sustainable development of the ocean economy under changing environmental, social and climate conditions.
- ☐ Challenge 5: Enhance understanding of the ocean-climate nexus and generate knowledge and solutions to mitigate, adapt and build resilience to the effects of climate change across all geographies and at all scales, and to improve services including predictions for the ocean, climate and weather.
- ☐ Challenge 6: Enhance multi-hazard early warning services for all geophysical, ecological, biological, weather, climate and anthropogenic related ocean and coastal hazards, and mainstream community preparedness and resilience.
- ☐ Challenge 7: Ensure a sustainable ocean observing system across all ocean basins that delivers accessible, timely, and actionable data and information to all users.
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Proponent and Partner Details

*** 2. Lead Institution Name**

*** 3. Lead Institution Type**

*** 4. Lead Institution Physical Address**

Street Address

Town/City

Postal/Zip Code

*** 5. Lead Institution Country**

*** 6. Is your institution based in a Least Developed Country, Small Island Developing State, or Africa**

Please find a list of SIDS here: <https://www.un.org/ohrlls/content/list-sids>

Please find a list of LDCs here: <https://www.un.org/development/desa/dpad/least-developed-country-category/ldcs-at-a-glance.html>

☐ Yes

☐ No

*** 7. Lead Institution Website**

*** 8. Lead Institution Primary Contact**

This is the person responsible for the proposal and who will be directly contacted in future communications throughout the review process, and will be expected to sign the letter of endorsement should your application be successful.

First Name

Last Name

*** 9. Lead institution primary contact gender**

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Prefer not to inform

*** 10. Lead Institutional Contact Email Address**

*** 11. Email contact of person completing survey**

This person might not be the same as the lead institutional contact, but will be someone we will include in future communications throughout the review process.

12. Partner Institution Names

Please provide the names of up to five partner lead institutions. Other partner details can be provided in the supplementary information section.

Partner No. 1

Institution name

Partner No. 2

Institution name

Partner No. 3

Institution name

Partner No. 4

Institution name

Partner No. 5

Institution name

13. Partner focal points' contact details

Please provide the full name of the focal point person in the partner institution and their email address.

Partner No.1 Focal
point contact details

Partner No.2 Focal
point contact details

Partner No.3 Focal
point contact details

Partner No.4 Focal
point contact details

Partner No.5 Focal
point contact details

14. Partner Institution Countries

Partner Institution Country

Partner No. 1

Partner No. 2

Partner No. 3

Partner No. 4

Partner No. 5



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Decade Action Description

* 15. Name of Decade Action

The public facing name used to refer to your Decade Action. Your Action name must be fewer than 50 characters.

16. Short name or acronym of Decade Action

* 17. Is the project you are proposing an ongoing initiative or new?

☐ Ongoing Initiative

☐ New Initiative

* 18. Please describe how your Decade programme proposal creates positive synergies with existing endorsed Decade programmes (see Annex I of Guidance Note).

* 19. Have you contacted any relevant decentralized coordination structure(s) (Decade Coordination Office or Decade Collaborative Centre) in the development of your proposal? Full list can be found [here](#).

☐ No

☐ Yes. Please state which one and briefly summarise the results of the discussion.

* 20. Have you contacted any relevant National Decade Committee(s) in the development of your proposal? Full list can be found [here](#).

☐ No

☐ Yes. Please state which one and briefly summarise the results of the discussion.

* 21. When will your proposed Action start and end?

Please use the first of the month in which your Action will start if you do not have a specific start date.

Start Date

Date



End Date

Date



* 22. Total Budget estimate for the Decade Action to the nearest whole number with no punctuation.

* 23. Please indicate the currency of the above budget.

* 24. Estimate of percentage of total budget secured

Can include in-kind and financial resources.

0 50 100

* 25. Please tell us who your current funders are and from whom you are seeking or planning to seek additional financial or in-kind support

* 26. Please select all countries in which the Decade Action will be implemented.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All Countries | <input type="checkbox"/> Gambia (Republic of The) | <input type="checkbox"/> Palau |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Afghanistan | <input type="checkbox"/> Georgia | <input type="checkbox"/> Palestine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Albania | <input type="checkbox"/> Germany | <input type="checkbox"/> Panama |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Algeria | <input type="checkbox"/> Ghana | <input type="checkbox"/> Papua New Guinea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Andorra | <input type="checkbox"/> Greece | <input type="checkbox"/> Paraguay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Angola | <input type="checkbox"/> Grenada | <input type="checkbox"/> Peru |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anguilla | <input type="checkbox"/> Guatemala | <input type="checkbox"/> Philippines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antigua and Barbuda | <input type="checkbox"/> Guinea | <input type="checkbox"/> Poland |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Argentina | <input type="checkbox"/> Guinea-Bissau | <input type="checkbox"/> Portugal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Armenia | <input type="checkbox"/> Guyana | <input type="checkbox"/> Qatar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Australia | <input type="checkbox"/> Haiti | <input type="checkbox"/> Republic of Korea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Austria | <input type="checkbox"/> Honduras | <input type="checkbox"/> Republic of Moldova |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Azerbaijan | <input type="checkbox"/> Hungary | <input type="checkbox"/> Romania |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bahamas | <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland | <input type="checkbox"/> Russian Federation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bahrain | <input type="checkbox"/> India | <input type="checkbox"/> Rwanda |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladesh | <input type="checkbox"/> Indonesia | <input type="checkbox"/> Saint Kitts and Nevis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barbados | <input type="checkbox"/> Iran (Islamic Republic of) | <input type="checkbox"/> Saint Lucia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belarus | <input type="checkbox"/> Iraq | <input type="checkbox"/> Saint Vincent and the Grenadines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belgium | <input type="checkbox"/> Ireland | <input type="checkbox"/> Samoa |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belize | <input type="checkbox"/> Israel | <input type="checkbox"/> San Marino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benin | <input type="checkbox"/> Italy | <input type="checkbox"/> Sao Tome and Principe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bhutan | <input type="checkbox"/> Jamaica | <input type="checkbox"/> Saudi Arabia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | <input type="checkbox"/> Japan | <input type="checkbox"/> Senegal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bosnia and Herzegovina | <input type="checkbox"/> Jordan | <input type="checkbox"/> Serbia |

<input type="checkbox"/> Botswana	<input type="checkbox"/> Kazakhstan	<input type="checkbox"/> Seychelles
<input type="checkbox"/> Brazil	<input type="checkbox"/> Kenya	<input type="checkbox"/> Sierra Leone
<input type="checkbox"/> British Virgin Islands	<input type="checkbox"/> Kiribati	<input type="checkbox"/> Singapore
<input type="checkbox"/> Brunei Darussalam	<input type="checkbox"/> Kuwait	<input type="checkbox"/> Sint Maarten
<input type="checkbox"/> Bulgaria	<input type="checkbox"/> Kyrgyzstan	<input type="checkbox"/> Slovakia
<input type="checkbox"/> Burkina Faso	<input type="checkbox"/> Lao People's Democratic Republic	<input type="checkbox"/> Slovenia
<input type="checkbox"/> Burundi	<input type="checkbox"/> Latvia	<input type="checkbox"/> Solomon Islands
<input type="checkbox"/> Cabo Verde	<input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon	<input type="checkbox"/> Somalia
<input type="checkbox"/> Cambodia	<input type="checkbox"/> Lesotho	<input type="checkbox"/> South Africa
<input type="checkbox"/> Cameroon	<input type="checkbox"/> Liberia	<input type="checkbox"/> South Sudan
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada	<input type="checkbox"/> Libya	<input type="checkbox"/> Spain
<input type="checkbox"/> Central African Republic (CAR)	<input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein	<input type="checkbox"/> Sri Lanka
<input type="checkbox"/> Chad	<input type="checkbox"/> Lithuania	<input type="checkbox"/> Sudan
<input type="checkbox"/> Chile	<input type="checkbox"/> Luxembourg	<input type="checkbox"/> Suriname
<input type="checkbox"/> China	<input type="checkbox"/> Madagascar	<input type="checkbox"/> Sweden
<input type="checkbox"/> Colombia	<input type="checkbox"/> Malawi	<input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland
<input type="checkbox"/> Comoros	<input type="checkbox"/> Malaysia	<input type="checkbox"/> Syrian Arab Republic
<input type="checkbox"/> Congo	<input type="checkbox"/> Maldives	<input type="checkbox"/> Tajikistan
<input type="checkbox"/> Cook Islands	<input type="checkbox"/> Mali	<input type="checkbox"/> Thailand
<input type="checkbox"/> Costa Rica	<input type="checkbox"/> Malta	<input type="checkbox"/> Timor-Leste
<input type="checkbox"/> Cote d'Ivoire	<input type="checkbox"/> Marshall Islands	<input type="checkbox"/> Togo
<input type="checkbox"/> Croatia	<input type="checkbox"/> Mauritania	<input type="checkbox"/> Tonga
<input type="checkbox"/> Cuba	<input type="checkbox"/> Mauritius	<input type="checkbox"/> Trinidad and Tobago
<input type="checkbox"/> Cyprus	<input type="checkbox"/> Mexico	<input type="checkbox"/> Tunisia
<input type="checkbox"/> Czech Republic	<input type="checkbox"/> Micronesia (Federated States of)	<input type="checkbox"/> Türkiye
<input type="checkbox"/> Democratic People's Republic of Korea	<input type="checkbox"/> Monaco	<input type="checkbox"/> Turkmenistan
<input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Republic of the Congo	<input type="checkbox"/> Mongolia	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuvalu
<input type="checkbox"/> Denmark	<input type="checkbox"/> Montenegro	<input type="checkbox"/> Uganda
<input type="checkbox"/> Djibouti	<input type="checkbox"/> Morocco	<input type="checkbox"/> Ukraine
<input type="checkbox"/> Dominica	<input type="checkbox"/> Mozambique	<input type="checkbox"/> United Arab Emirates (UAE)
<input type="checkbox"/> Dominican Republic	<input type="checkbox"/> Myanmar	<input type="checkbox"/> United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ecuador	<input type="checkbox"/> Namibia	<input type="checkbox"/> United Republic of Tanzania
<input type="checkbox"/> Egypt	<input type="checkbox"/> Nauru	<input type="checkbox"/> United States of America (USA)
<input type="checkbox"/> El Salvador	<input type="checkbox"/> Nepal	<input type="checkbox"/> Uruguay
<input type="checkbox"/> Equatorial Guinea	<input type="checkbox"/> Netherlands	<input type="checkbox"/> Uzbekistan

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Eritrea | <input type="checkbox"/> New Zealand | <input type="checkbox"/> Vanuatu |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estonia | <input type="checkbox"/> Nicaragua | <input type="checkbox"/> Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eswatini | <input type="checkbox"/> Niger | <input type="checkbox"/> Viet Nam |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethiopia | <input type="checkbox"/> Nigeria | <input type="checkbox"/> Yemen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fiji | <input type="checkbox"/> North Macedonia | <input type="checkbox"/> Zambia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finland | <input type="checkbox"/> Norway | <input type="checkbox"/> Zimbabwe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> France | <input type="checkbox"/> Oman | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gabon | <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistan | |

* 27. Please select all ocean basins in which the Decade Action will be implemented.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> North Atlantic Ocean | <input type="checkbox"/> Indian Ocean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> South Atlantic Ocean | <input type="checkbox"/> Arctic Ocean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> North Pacific Ocean | <input type="checkbox"/> Southern Ocean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> South Pacific Ocean | <input type="checkbox"/> Mediterranean Sea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (including regional seas) | |

* 28. Summary of Decade Action

This summary will be used publicly on the Ocean Decade Network should your Decade Action be endorsed. (max. 1000 characters)

* 29. Please provide details on how your proposal aligns with the following Ocean Decade endorsement criteria.

Please keep in mind that this section is essential to the evaluation of your application, and therefore please be as objective and explanatory as possible. In case a criterion does not align with your proposal, please provide 2 to 3 sentences on why not (max. 5000 characters per criteria)

Contributes to achieving one or more of the following Decade objectives:
Objective 1: Identify critical ocean knowledge; Objective 2: Build capacity and generate knowledge; Objective 3: Increase the use of ocean knowledge.

Accelerates the generation or use of knowledge and understanding of the ocean, with a specific focus on knowledge that will contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and complementary policy frameworks and initiatives.

Is co-designed and/or co-delivered by knowledge generators and users, and thus facilitating the uptake of science and ocean knowledge for policy, decision-making, management and/or innovation.

Ensures that all data and resulting knowledge are provided in an open access, shared, discoverable manner

Strengthens existing or creates new partnerships across nations and/or between diverse ocean actors, including users of ocean science.

Contributes toward capacity development, including, but not limited to, beneficiaries in SIDS, LDCs and LLDCs.

Overcomes barriers to diversity and equity, including gender, generational and geographic diversity.

Collaborates with and engages local and indigenous knowledge holders.

* 30. Please select which of the Decade Outcomes your Decade Action contributes to (max. 3)

- ☐ Outcome 1: A clean ocean where sources of pollution are identified and reduced or removed.
- ☐ Outcome 2: A healthy and resilient ocean where marine ecosystems are understood, protected, restored and managed.
- ☐ Outcome 3: A productive ocean supporting sustainable food supply and a sustainable ocean economy.
- ☐ Outcome 4: A predicted ocean where society understands and can respond to changing ocean conditions.
- ☐ Outcome 5: A safe ocean where life and livelihoods are protected from ocean-related hazards.
- ☐ Outcome 6: An accessible ocean with open and equitable access to data, information and technology and innovation.
- ☐ Outcome 7: An inspiring and engaging ocean where society understands and values the ocean in relation to human wellbeing and sustainable development.

* 31. Please select which of the Decade Challenges your Decade Action contributes to (max. 3)

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* 32. In addition to SDG 14 (Life below water), which we assume is relevant to all Decade Actions, please indicate which of the other Sustainable Development Goals your Decade Action contributes to

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| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 1: No Poverty. | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 2: Zero Hunger | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 4: Quality Education | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 5: Gender Equality | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 13: Climate Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 15: Life on Land |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal |

* 33. What is the high-level objective of your Decade Action? (max. 1000 characters)

* 34. What are key outcomes of your Decade Action? (max. 2000 characters)

* 35. What are key activities that you will carry out in the first 3 years of your Decade Action? (max. 5000 characters)

* 36. Please describe the management structure which will be used to coordinate your Decade Action (max. 2000 characters)



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Supplementary Information

37. Please provide any supplementary information you would like reviewers to take into account as they review your Decade Action. This may include details of additional partners. There is a character limit of 5000.