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Connecting the world around Ocean prediction: A vision for the Decade and Beyond















Ocean science for policy

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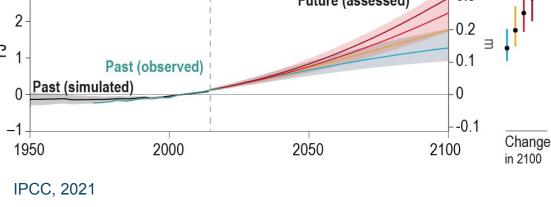




Unprecedented change and pressure in the ocean: the triple planetary crisis

CLIMATE CHANGE

(b) Global ocean heat content and thermosteric sea level CMIP6 Emulator 0.3 Future (assessed)



POLLUTION



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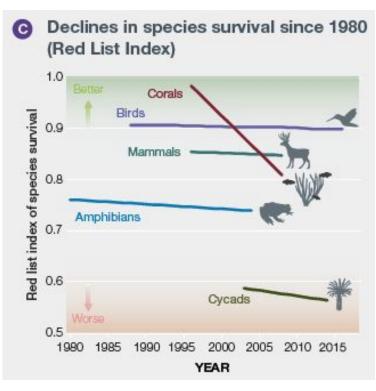




urgent need to strengthen the transfer of science-based knowledge at the science-policy

United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development interface 2021

BIODIVERSITY LOSS



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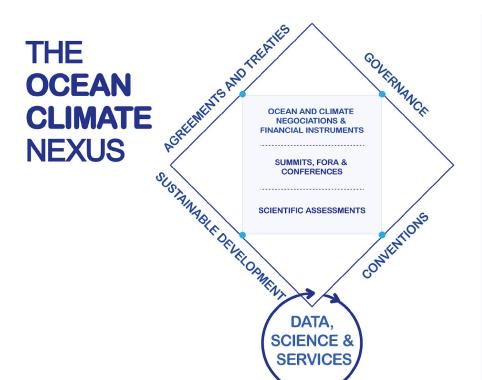
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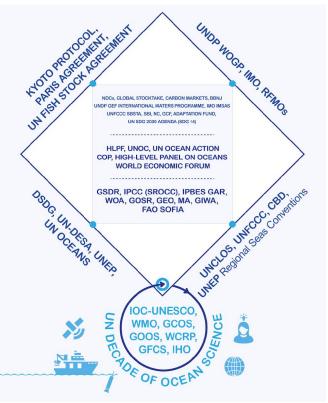






The elevation of the Ocean to a prominent role in global diplomacy reflects its importance in the Earth system.





Unique opportunity to elevate the critical role of the ocean & to increase awareness on unprecedented change





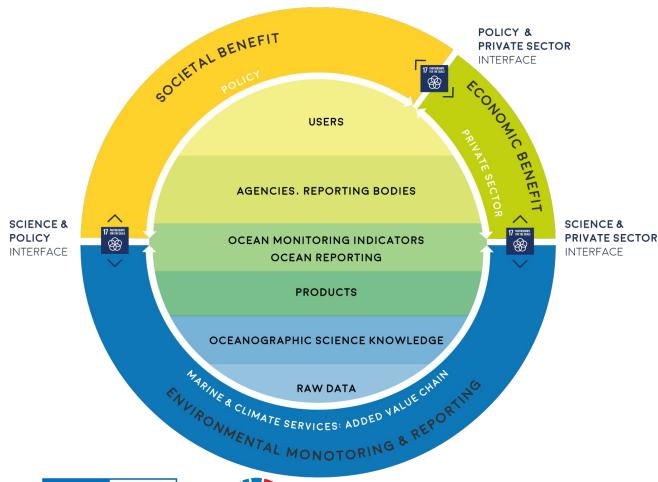


von Schuckmann et al., 2020









The added-value chain is the core of Ocean and climate services that connects raw products and blue knowledge to high-quality data products, and **indicators**.



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The multifaceted role of Ocean indicators



ASSESS CAPACITIES

DRIVE INNOVATIONS

FOSTER COLLABORATION



BACKBONE ASSESSMENTS

INTERLINK SYSTEMS

STRENGTHEN COMMUNICATION

GUIDE PRIORITIES



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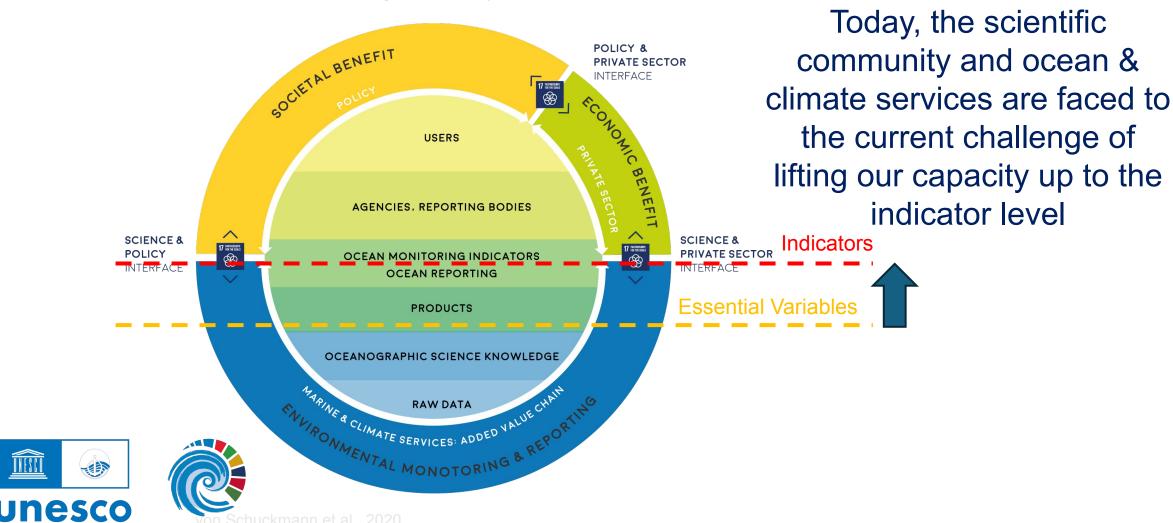








Ocean indicators: Challenge today

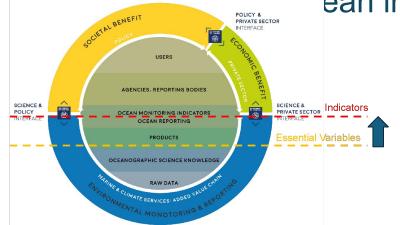


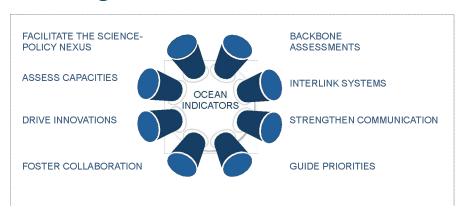






Albeit of wide-reaching use and applications, clear criteria and definition of





There is currently no internationally-agreed comprehensive set of ocean indicators to characterize ocean processes, nor a common framework with agreed methodologies that would unite these individual efforts to create the common understanding and baselines required to monitor changes in the ocean environment in a transparent and authoritative way.



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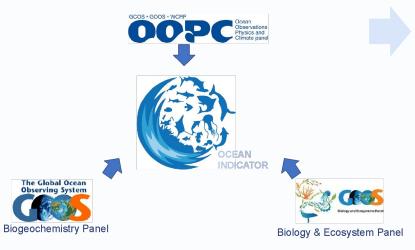






An international initiative towards an ocean indicator framework, uniting physical, biogeochemical and biodiversity expertise

The cross-panel GOOS task team

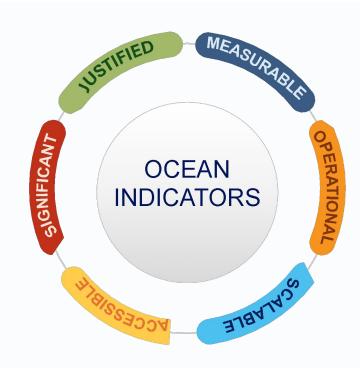


A definition for Ocean indicators

An ocean indicator refers to a measure based on scientifically justified theory and verifiable data that informs on change of an ocean phenomenon or in ocean health across a range of temporal and spatial scales.

The ocean indicator underpins ocean and climate assessments relevant to inform policy and decision making, to guide the ocean observing system, and to raise awareness.

Criteria for Ocean indicators





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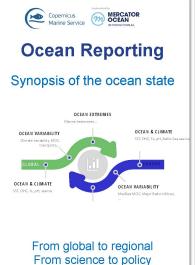
PHYSICS & CLIMATE

BIOGEOCHEMISTRY

BIODIVERSITY

A PILOT STUDY: TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A SET OF HIGH-LEVEL INDICATORS





- Towards the regionalization of Ocean indicators
- Towards a coherent chain of temporal traceability of Ocean indicators





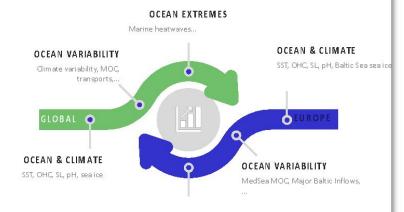






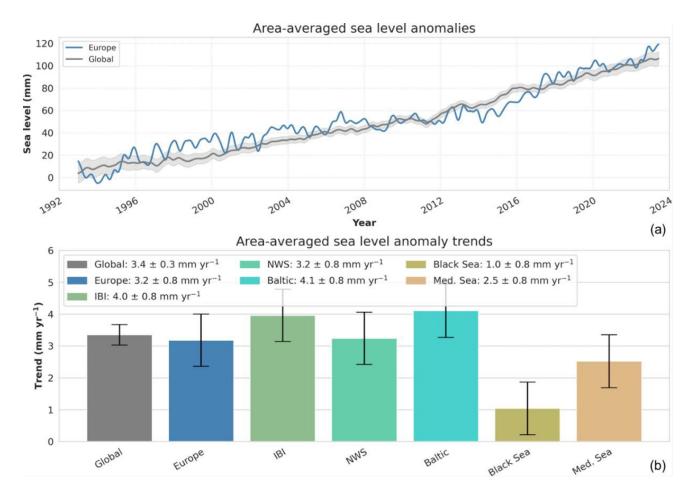
Ocean Reporting

Synopsis of the ocean state



From global to regional From science to policy

EXAMPLE: SEA LEVEL RISE



Copernicus Ocean State Report, issue 8, under review (to be published September 2024)

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THANK YOU!

ANY QUESTIONS?

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