

Information - Please read it entirely before proceeding with your application

Call for Decade Actions No. 08/2024 - Programme Application

**Call for Decade Actions No. 08/2024 – Request for Endorsement of Programmes that contribute to Challenge 6 ‘Increase community resilience to ocean and coastal risks’, Challenge 10 ‘Restore society’s relationship with the ocean’ and programmes that explore the intricate relationship between ocean and human health.**

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

1. [**Guidance Note**](https://oceanexpert.org/document/29169)
2. [**FAQ**](https://oceanexpert.org/document/29170)
3. **Ocean Decade Implementation Plan and Summary**

**The deadline for submission for this form is 31 January 2025 23.59h UTC. Important Information:**

**Please note that all character limits include spaces.**

**Please find the PDF and Word versions of the form** [**here**](https://oceanexpert.org/document/29172)**. 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.**

**If you need a copy of your responses please email us at** [**oceandecade@unesco.org**](mailto:oceandecade@unesco.org) **with the exact full name and contact name of your submission. Please be aware that it may take some time to provide you with the download.**

**For any questions please contact** [**oceandecade@unesco.org**](mailto:oceandecade@unesco.org) **with “Call for Decade Actions No. 08/2024” in the subject line.**



Eligibility

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\* 1. Before proceeding with your submission, please ensure that you meet the requirements as a Decade Programme described in [this document](https://oceanexpert.org/document/32052). Do you wish to proceed with your submission as a Decade Programme?

 Yes No



Proposal scope

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\* 2. 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.

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 Challenge 7: Ensure a sustainable ocean observing system across all ocean basins that delivers accessible, timely, and actionable data and information to all users.

 Challenge 8: Through multi-stakeholder collaboration, develop a comprehensive digital representation of the ocean, including a dynamic ocean map, which provides free and open access for exploring, discovering, and visualizing past, current, and future ocean conditions in a manner relevant to diverse stakeholders.

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Proponent and Partner Details

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* 3. Lead Institution Name

\* 4. Lead Institution Type



* 5. Lead Institution Physical Address

Street Address

Town/City

Postal/Zip Code

* + 6. Lead Institution Country



* + 7. 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](https://www.un.org/development/desa/dpad/least-developed-country-category/ldcs-at-a-glance.html)

 Yes No

* 8. Lead Institution Website
* 9. 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

* + 10. Lead institution primary contact gender

 Male  Female

 Prefer not to inform

* 11. Lead Institutional Contact Email Address
* 12. 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.*

1. 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

1. 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

1. Partner Institution Countries

Partner Institution Country



Partner No. 1

Partner No. 2

Partner No. 3

Partner No. 4

Partner No. 5



Decade Action Description

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\* 16. Name of Decade Action

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

17. Short name or acronym of Decade Action

\* 18. Is the project you are proposing an ongoing initiative or new?

 Ongoing Initiative  New Initiative

* 19. Please describe how your Decade programme proposal creates positive synergies with existing endorsed Decade programmes (see Annex I of Guidance Note).
  + 20. 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](https://oceandecade.org/decade-collaborative-centres/).

 No

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

* + 21. Have you contacted any relevant National Decade Committee(s) in the development of your proposal? Full list can be found [here](https://oceandecade.org/national-ocean-decade-ecosystem/).

 No

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

* 22. 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

DD/MM/YYYY

End Date

Date

DD/MM/YYYY

* 23. Total Budget estimate for the Decade Action to the nearest whole number with no punctuation.
  + 24. Please indicate the currency of the above budget.



* 25. Estimate of percentage of total budget secured

Can include in-kind and financial resources.



0

50

100

* 26. Please tell us who your current funders are and from whom you are seeking or planning to seek additional financial or in-kind support
  + 27. Please select all countries in which the Decade Action will be implemented.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Afghanistan | Gambia (Republic of The) | Pakistan |
| Albania | Georgia | Palau |
| Algeria | Germany | Palestine |
| Andorra | Ghana | Panama |
| Angola | Greece | Papua New Guinea |
| Anguilla | Grenada | Paraguay |
| Antigua and Barbuda | Guatemala | Peru |
| Argentina | Guinea | Philippines |
| Armenia | Guinea-Bissau | Poland |
| Australia | Guyana | Portugal |

Austria Azerbaijan Bahamas Bahrain Bangladesh Barbados Belarus Belgium Belize Benin Bhutan

Bolivia (Plurinational State of) Bosnia and Herzegovina Botswana

Brazil

British Virgin Islands Brunei Darussalam Bulgaria

Burkina Faso Burundi Cabo Verde Cambodia Cameroon Canada

Central African Republic (CAR)

Chad Chile China Colombia Comoros Congo

Cook Islands Costa Rica Cote d'Ivoire Croatia Cuba

Haiti Honduras Hungary Iceland India Indonesia

Iran (Islamic Republic of) Iraq

Ireland Israel Italy Jamaica Japan Jordan

Kazakhstan Kenya Kiribati Kuwait Kyrgyzstan

Lao People’s Democratic Republic

Latvia Lebanon Lesotho Liberia Libya

Liechtenstein Lithuania Luxembourg Madagascar Malawi Malaysia Maldives Mali

Malta

Marshall Islands Mauritania

Qatar

Republic of Korea Republic of Moldova Romania

Russian Federation Rwanda

Saint Kitts and Nevis Saint Lucia

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Samoa

San Marino

Sao Tome and Principe Saudi Arabia

Senegal Serbia Seychelles Sierra Leone Singapore Sint Maarten Slovakia Slovenia

Solomon Islands Somalia

South Africa South Sudan Spain

Sri Lanka Sudan Suriname Sweden Switzerland

Syrian Arab Republic Tajikistan

Thailand Timor-Leste Togo

Cyprus Czechia

Democratic People’s Republic of Korea

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Denmark Djibouti Dominica

Dominican Republic Ecuador

Egypt

El Salvador Equatorial Guinea Eritrea

Estonia Eswatini Ethiopia Fiji Finland France Gabon

Mauritius Mexico

Micronesia (Federated States of)

Monaco Mongolia Montenegro Morocco Mozambique Myanmar Namibia Nauru

Nepal

Netherlands (Kingdom of the) New Zealand

Nicaragua Niger Nigeria

North Macedonia Norway

Oman

Tonga

Trinidad and Tobago Tunisia

Türkiye Turkmenistan Tuvalu Uganda Ukraine

United Arab Emirates (UAE)

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK)

United Republic of Tanzania

United States of America (USA)

Uruguay Uzbekistan Vanuatu

Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of

Viet Nam Yemen Zambia Zimbabwe

* + 28. Please select all ocean basins in which the Decade Action will be implemented.

North Atlantic Ocean South Atlantic Ocean North Pacific Ocean South Pacific Ocean

Indian Ocean Arctic Ocean Southern Ocean Mediterranean Sea

Other (including regional seas)

* 29. Summary of Decade Action

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

* 30. 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.

* + 31. 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.

* + 32. Please select which of the Decade Challenges your Decade Action contributes to (max. 3)

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* + 33. 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

GOAL 1: No Poverty. GOAL 2: Zero Hunger

GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being GOAL 4: Quality Education

GOAL 5: Gender Equality

GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy

GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth

GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality

GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production

GOAL 13: Climate Action GOAL 15: Life on Land

GOAL 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal

* 34. What is the high-level objective of your Decade Action? (max. 1000 characters)
* 35. What are key outcomes of your Decade Action? (max. 2000 characters)
* 36. What are key activities that you will carry out in the first 3 years of your Decade Action? (max. 5000 characters)
* 37. Please describe the management structure which will be used to coordinate your Decade Action (max. 2000 characters)



Supplementary Information

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38. 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.



Disqualification page

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**Please consider submitting your proposal as a different Decade Action. Here are the options:**

**Decade Project:** [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Proj\_CFDA8**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Proj_CFDA8)

**Decade Contribution:** [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DecadeContribution**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DecadeContribution) **Decade Activity:** [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DecadeActivity**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DecadeActivity)

**If you have any questions, please contact us at** [**oceandecade@unesco.org**](mailto:oceandecade@unesco.org)