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Key Facts



- All-Atlantic Ocean Research and Innovation Alliance (AAORIA) signed 13 July 2022
- The AAORIA is an ocean science diplomacy initiative uniting countries from both sides of the Atlantic Ocean in contributing to the science needed to support ocean policy, governance and management on domestic, regional and international scales in the Atlantic region.
- AAORIA fosters a large and inclusive All-Atlantic community, advancing science cooperation in line with international law.
- The Declaration builds upon and ties together the success of two previous cooperation agreements – the 2013 Galway Statement on Atlantic Ocean Cooperation and the 2017 Belém Statement on Atlantic Ocean Research and Innovation Cooperation

AAORIA Members

Argentina, **Brazil**, Cabo Verde, Canada, EU, Ghana, Iceland, Morocco, Norway, Senegal, South Africa, UK, and **USA**



Priorities

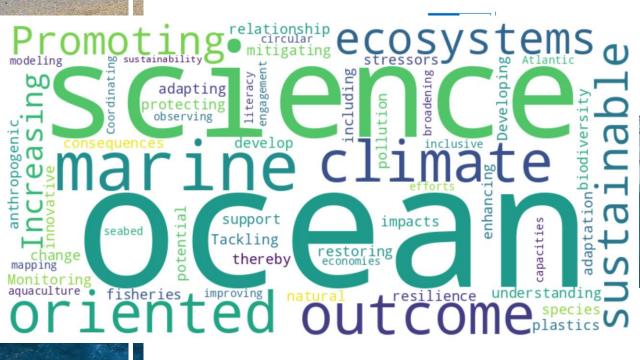


- a) Increasing our understanding of the relationship between the **ocean and climate**, and to develop **outcome-oriented science** for **mitigating** and **adapting** to its consequences.
- b) Monitoring, protecting and restoring marine ecosystems and biodiversity, thereby enhancing their resilience and potential for adaptation to climate change and other natural and anthropogenic stressors.
- c) Tackling the **impacts of marine pollution**, including plastics, on marine species and ecosystems.

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- d) Developing innovative, outcome-oriented science to support sustainable fisheries and aquaculture.
- e) Coordinating Atlantic Ocean **observing and seabed mapping efforts** and improving **modeling** capacities.
- f) Promoting circular, sustainable and inclusive ocean economies.
- g) Promoting **ocean literacy** and broadening **engagement** in ocean sciences and ocean sustainability.







- Fora, Joint Actions, Networks etc.
- AAORIA welcomes potential new Partners whose countries have Exclusive
 Economic Zones in the Atlantic Ocean basin, including the Caribbean, who
 endorse the principles and objectives described in the All-Atlantic Declaration
- Partners may be representative of a government at the level of, ministries, departments, or agencies
- Applicants interested in becoming an AAORIA Partner demonstrate a
 willingness to become Partners of AAORIA by submitting a letter on official
 letterhead to the AAORIA High Level Board Chair. The letter should outline
 their endorsement of the All-Atlantic Declaration and desire to support
 the AAORIA activities.

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