



2021 United Nations Decade  
2030 of Ocean Science  
for Sustainable Development

## Programme Review: Call for Decade Actions No 10/2025

Dear reviewer,

Thank you for participating in this process.

Please make sure that you have carefully read the proposal and the [guidelines](#) before proceeding with your assessment.

**IMPORTANT:** If you have a conflict of interest with the proposal assigned to you, please **do not** proceed with the assessment and notify us by submitting your Conflict of Interest (see Annex I of the Guidelines) to [oceandecade@unesco.org](mailto:oceandecade@unesco.org).

\* 1. Name of the Reviewer

\* 2. Email of the Reviewer

\* 3. Programme proposal being reviewed

\* 4. Conflict of Interest Statement

I confirm that I do not have any Conflict of Interest with the proposal assigned to me.



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### Part A: Programme Eligibility

**In this first part of your assessment, the aim is to gather feedback on whether the submission meets the requirements to be considered at the scale of a Decade programme, rather than another type of Decade Action.**

\* 5. Is the approach and/or team's expertise multidisciplinary in nature?

Yes

No

\* 6. Are the listed partners international in scope?

Yes

No

\* 7. Does the lead institution have an international remit and experience that matches the submission's ambition??

Yes

No

\* 8. Does this proposal explain well how capacity development will be included?

Yes

No

\* 9. Does this proposal demonstrate an ability to expand (add partners, grow geographically)?

Yes

No

\* 10. Does this proposal go beyond work that is already being undertaken (beyond business as usual)?

Yes

No

\* 11. Does the proposal have clear pathways for scientific knowledge to inform decision-making processes?

Yes

No



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**In this section, please assess whether the proponent has adequately addressed how their proposal aligns with the endorsement criteria (Questions 35-42 of the application form).**

\* 12. Please rate, on a scale from 0 to 5, how well the proponents have addressed each endorsement criterion.

*Please consult the Guidelines to understand what each score means.*

	Score
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	<input type="text"/>
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.	<input type="text"/>
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.	<input type="text"/>
Ensures that all data and resulting knowledge are provided in an open access, shared, discoverable manner	<input type="text"/>
Strengthens existing or creates new partnerships across nations and/or between diverse ocean actors, including users of ocean science.	<input type="text"/>
Contributes toward capacity development, including, but not limited to, beneficiaries in SIDS, LDCs and LLDCs.	<input type="text"/>
Overcomes barriers to diversity and equity, including gender, generational and geographic diversity.	<input type="text"/>
Collaborates with and engages local and indigenous knowledge holders.	<input type="text"/>

**\* 13. Please provide comments supporting your scoring of the proponents' answers to each endorsement criterion (max. 5000 characters per answer).**

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**Part C: Final Conclusions**

**\* 14. Is this proposal aligned with the Decade Challenge selected?**

Please refer to Question 1 in the programme proposal.

Yes

No

**\* 15. Do you recommend that this proposal should be endorsed as a Decade Programme?**

Yes

No

\* 16. Please provide comments that support your assessment (max. 5000 characters).

17. If there are any specific questions you think the proponents should answer to help ensure a more informed decision, please list them below as bullet points.