**Checklist for Programme Eligibility**

***To consider your proposal as eligible as a Decade Programme, you should check all boxes below.***

[ ]  The Lead Institution responsible for leading the Programme has an international scope and experience that matches the ambition of the Programme

[ ]  My proposal will last for at least 4 years

[ ]  The scale of my proposal is of global reach or is at least covering a full ocean basin

[ ]  My proposal is multidisciplinary in terms of thematic and human resources

[ ]  My partners are from different countries, and mainly from the regions my Programme will take place on.

[ ]  My proposal has clear elements to promote capacity development

[ ]  My proposal is a new addition to the Ocean Decade, dealing with a thematic or region that has not been covered yet by other Programmes.

[ ]  My proposal has at least 5% of its budget secured

[ ]  I have reliable funders to my proposal or I’m looking for funders which can secure my proposal’s budget partially in the future

[ ]  My proposal is fully aligned to one of the challenges of the scope of the Call