

Decade Vision & Mission



Vision

The science we need for the ocean we want

Mission

Transformative ocean science solutions for sustainable development, connecting people and our ocean.



Decade Action Framework



Decade Action Hierarchy

Tangible initiatives that will be implemented by a wide range of Decade stakeholders and identified through Calls for Decade Actions.



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of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development



Decade programme

- Global or regional in scale
- Fulfils one or more of the Decade objectives.
- Long-term (multi-year), interdisciplinary and typically multi-national.
- Includes component projects, and enabling activities.

Decade Project

- Discrete and focused undertaking of a shorter duration.
- Will typically contribute to an identified Decade programme

Decade Activity

- In support of an outcome, objective, programme, or project.
- Typically a one-off standalone activity
- Can form part of a programme or project or can relate directly to a Decade objective.

Decade Contribution

- Supports the Decade through provision of a necessary resource
- Can be either for costs related to the implementation of a Decade Action or for coordination costs.

Call for Decade Actions No. 01/2020



- First in a series of 'Call for Decade Actions' open for:
 1. Global or major regional programmes.
 2. Contributions including support to central or decentralised coordination functions (including collaborative centres and coordination offices).
- Actions that contribute to post-COVID-19 recovery welcome
- The Call is open until 15 January 2021 with decisions in Q1 of 2021
- No geographic or thematic restrictions and no limit on who can apply
- Call will be followed by other Calls for programmes and projects in 2021
- The Call is not a funding call but the IOC may be able to help make connections to funders => potential Actions can be submitted without secured funding
- UN-led Actions will be registered via a parallel process

Available Resources

The following resources are available on oceansdecade.org:

- Implementation Plan (6 languages)
- Summary of Implementation Plan (6 languages)
- Guidance Note for Applicants (4 languages)
- FAQ document (4 languages)
- Flyer (4 languages)
- Links to on-line submission
- List of resources persons and potential partners



Process for Submitting Proposed Action



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The link for the online submission system can be found on oceansdecade.org. Via this system you can:

- Register an idea for a Decade Action, and ask to be put in touch with potential partners
- Submit a proposed Decade Action in the form of a:
 1. Major global or regional programme of work
 2. Large scale contribution to Decade Actions or Decade coordination functions



Partnerships and collaboration

- In keeping with the principles of co-design and co-delivery, partners are encouraged to collaborate in the preparation of proposed Decade Actions
- Resources available on oceansdecade.org include:
 - Contact names of EPG members who can facilitate connections
 - PDF showing proponents of Decade Actions who are looking for collaborators
 - Link to oceanexpert.org

Please contact oceansdecade@unesco.org at any time if you have questions!