





Challenges, needs and potential solution for region to feed the Ocean Decade

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Summary

<u>Part 1</u>. United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030)

Part 2. Ocean Decade Africa Road Map and its priorities

Part 3. Examples of DBCP activities in the Mediterranean Sea

<u>Part 4</u>. Challenges, needs and potential solution for the southern region to feed the Ocean Decade



Why an Ocean Decade?

...because humanity depends on the ocean...

Oxygen production

Absorbs 93% of anthropogenic heat & regulates climate / weather

Transports 90% of world's goods

Coastal protection

Underpins food sources of 3 billion people

Contributes USD 1.5 trillion to the economy & hundreds of millions of jobs Immeasurable cultural and educational values

As yet unknown values

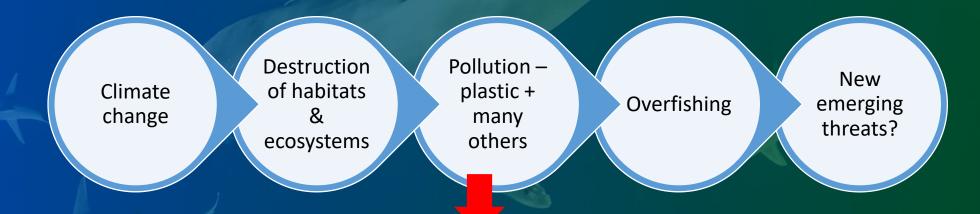


United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development





...but the ocean is under threat



No longer linear nor predictable - potential for negative feedback loops via ocean-climate nexus

Towards the Ocean Decade: 2017 - 2021

2016-2017







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Proposal for an International Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development

2018-2019





Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development

(2021-2030)

Implementation

2020









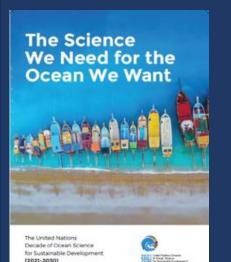
General Assembly Distr.: General 5 January 2021 Oceans and the law of the sea: oceans and the law of the sea Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 31 December 2020

United Nations

304. Welcomes the steps taken by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission to prepare the implementation plan for the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030) in consultation with Member States, specialized agencies, funds, programmes and bodies of the United Nations, as well as other intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and relevant stakeholders, and takes note with appreciation of that plan;

305. Requests that the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission regularly consult with, and report to, Member States on the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development and its implementation;

306. Invites the Secretary-General to inform the General Assembly on the implementation of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development through his report on oceans and the law of the sea, on the basis of information to be provided by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission;









Where we are

- Science based on curiosity & competent for problem diagnostic
- Observing system for climate and emerging data service
- Major knowledge gaps, weak ocean literacy
- Funding base mostly on research model
- Hugely uneven capacity, especially low in developing countries/SIDS

Where we would like to be

- Science providing solutions and codesigned for action
- Adequate ocean data and information system/services
- Ocean literate society and well-informed decisions
- Demonstrated value chain, resources and commitment
- CD/ transfer of technology:
 no one is left behind

PART 1: Decade Vision & Mission





Vision

The science we need for the ocean we want

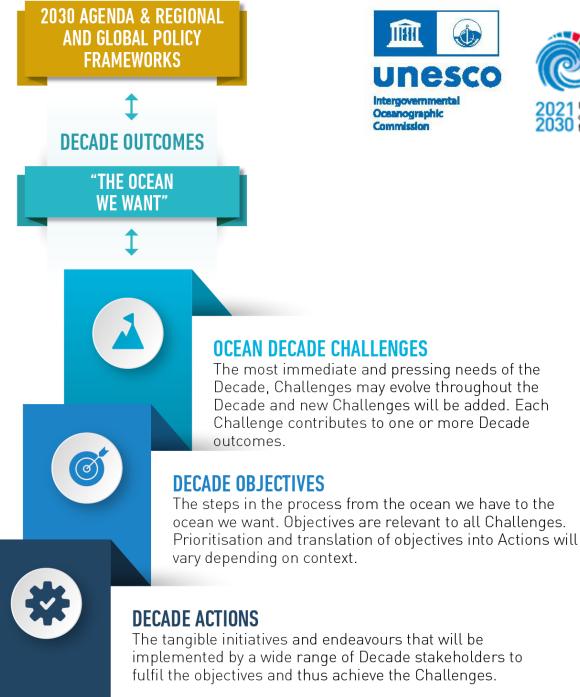
Mission

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



«The Ocean Decade creates the conditions for this revolution by facilitating a paradigm shift in the design and delivery of qualitative and quantitative ocean knowledge to inform solutions that will contribute to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development».

Decade Action Framework



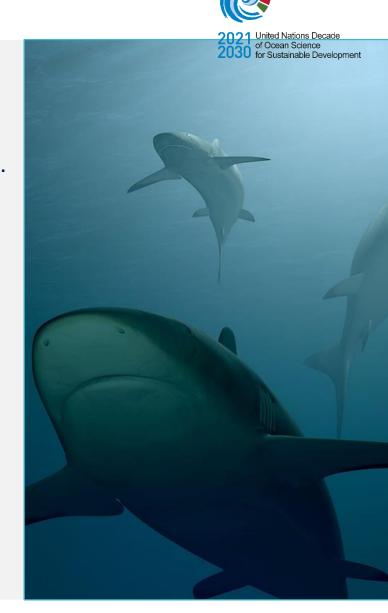
2021 United Nations Decade of Ocean Science 2030 for Sustainable Development



Decade Outcomes

Describe the 'ocean we want' at the end of the Decade.

- 1. A **clean ocean** where sources of pollution are identified, reduced or removed.
- 2. A **healthy and resilient ocean** where marine ecosystems are understood and managed.
- 3. A **productive ocean** supporting sustainable food supply and a sustainable ocean economy.
- 4. A **predicted ocean** where society understands and can respond to changing ocean conditions.
- 5. A **safe ocean** where life and livelihoods are protected from ocean-related hazards.
- 6. An **accessible ocean** with open and equitable access to data, information, and technology and innovation.
- 7. An **inspiring and engaging ocean** where society understands and values the ocean in relation to human wellbeing and sustainable development.



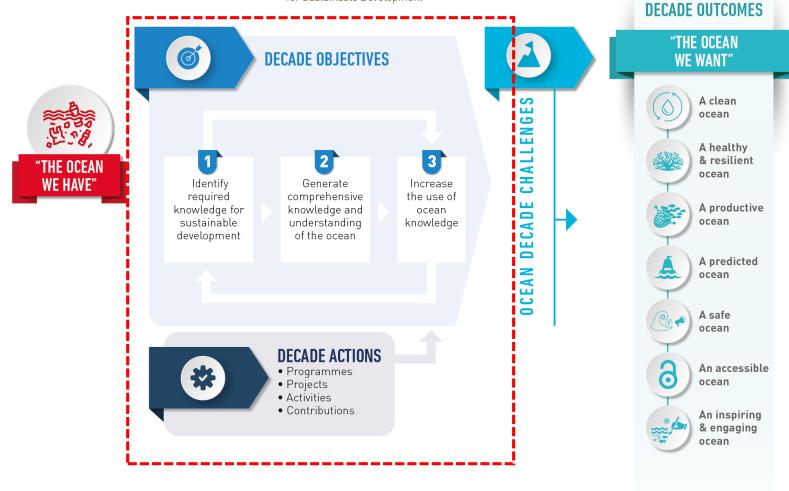
Objectives and Actions of the Ocean Decade







UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development



Ocean Decade Challenges

Challenges will

of the Decade.

evolve over the life



Address land and sea-based sources of pollutants and contaminants.







Protect, monitor, manage and restore ecosystems under multiple stressors



Optimise the role of the ocean to sustainably feed the world's population.



Contribute to equitable and sustainable development of the ocean economy.



Understand the ocean-climate nexus, build resilience and improve predictions and forecasts.



Expand multi-hazard warning systems and mainstream community preparedness and resilience.



Ensure a sustainable ocean observing system that delivers timely data and across all ocean basins.



Develop a comprehensive digital representation of the ocean.



Ensure comprehensive capacity development and equitable access to data, information, knowledge and technology.



Identify and overcome barriers to the behaviour change that is required for a step change in humanity's relationship with the ocean.







DECADE OUTCOMES

"THE OCEAN WE WANT"



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OCEAN DECADE CHALLENGES

The most immediate and pressing needs of the Decade, Challenges may evolve throughout the Decade and new Challenges will be added. Each Challenge contributes to one or more Decade outcomes.

DECADE OBJECTIVES

The steps in the process from the ocean we have to the ocean we want. Objectives are relevant to all Challenges. Prioritisation and translation of objectives into Actions will vary depending on context.

DECADE ACTIONS

The tangible initiatives and endeavours that will be implemented by a wide range of Decade stakeholders to fulfil the objectives and thus achieve the Challenges.

Transformative

Knowledge & Solutions Challenges:

- 1. Marine Pollution
- Protect and Restore Ecosystems
- 3. Sustainable Blue Food
- 4. Sustainable Ocean Economy
- 5. Ocean-Climate Nexus

Infrastructure Challenges:

- 6. Community Resilience
- 7. Ocean Observations

Foundational Challenges:

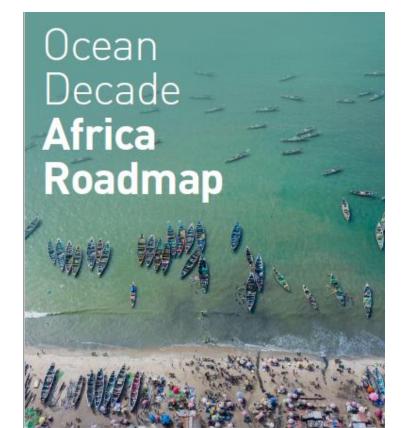
- 9. Capacity Development
- 10. Behaviour Change

Decade Programmes, Projects, and Contributions sollicited on a regular basis









The United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development 2021-2030





1. Sustainable Ocean Management in Africa

Action to strengthen data and expertise required for ocean management, including transboundary marine spatial planning. It will also develop African capacities and entrepreneurship.



2. Ocean and Human Health in Africa

Action to fill knowledge gaps and policy needs to enhance understanding of links between human health and the oceans, including issues such as pollution and provisioning sustainable blue food.



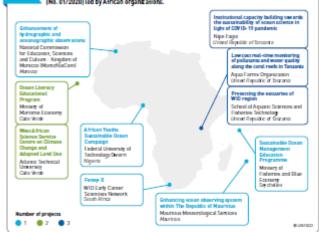
3. Unlocking the Blue Carbon Potential of Africa

Action to advance the mapping, restoration, and financing of blue carbon sinks by engaging subnational and national policymakers and local communities. It will bridge between the UN Ocean Decade and the UN Decade for Ecosystem Restoration.





Number of Decade Projects resulting from the first Call for Decade Actions (No. 01/2020) led by African organizations.



4. Fisheries and Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fisheries in Africa

Action to identify and address the monitoring gaps and impact of IUU in the EEZ and the high seas. It will focus on improving technological solutions and supporting fisheries managers.

5. Strengthening Multi-hazard Early Warning Systems and Community Resilience

Action to increase observational data in subregions where it is lacking and develop further tools to support observing, forecasting, warning and anticipating climate hazards. It will empower disaster risk management authorities and enhance literacy around risk and response measures.

6. Ocean Observations and Forecasting Systems for Africa

Action to develop the Africa component of the GOOS, addressing specific needs for a network of observational systems and forecasting models. It will provide a baseline of the current state of marine ecosystems and harmonise data processing and standards.

7. Digital Twin for Africa - Establishing an African Ocean Knowledge Hub

Action to establish and develop a regional 'digital twin' centralizing data, modelling and simulations with tools and best practices. Emphasis on Indigenous and local knowledge holders will be made.



8. Strengthening capacities and skills of African Early Career Ocean Professionals (ECOPs)

Action to develop capacities and skills in Africa, especially scientific and technical skills of ECOPs via an African ECOP hub. Support will include training, mentorship, engagement in international policy processes, and access to ocean research infrastructure.



9. Regional Ocean Literacy Programme for Africa

Action to increase participatory and co-design approaches and improve collaboration with networks working on science communication and outreach. Particular focus will be given to strengthening the science-policy interface and developing appropriate tools for climate and ocean information dissemination.





The booklet has been published by the Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA) in partnership with the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission's Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States (IOC AFRICA), UNESCO Regional Office for Eastern Africa.

For further information visit: oceandecade.org ioc-africa.org wiornsa.org









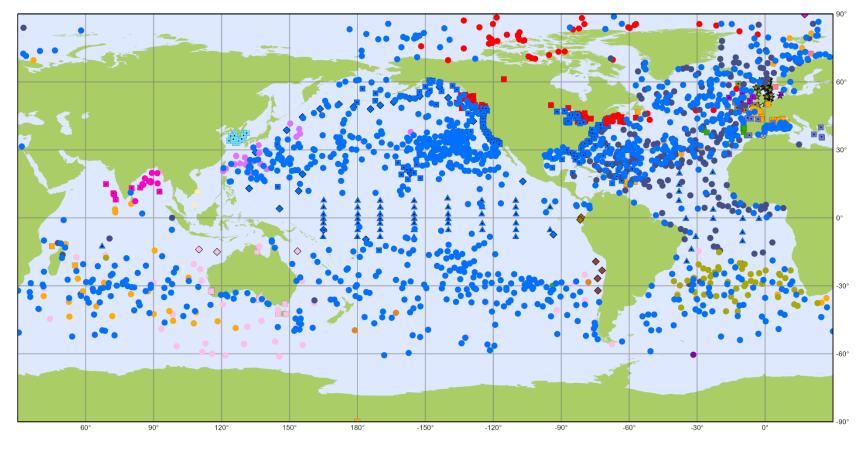






Its production has been coordinated by the Western Indian Ocean Early Career Scientists Network (WIO-ECSN) as part of the implementation plan of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development. The booklet provides an overview of challenges that need to be addressed in the region in order to achieve "the science we need for the ocean we want in Africa".

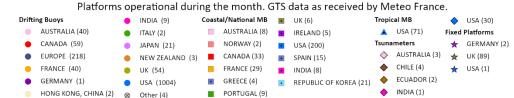




Data Buoy Cooperation Panel

Platform Operating Countries

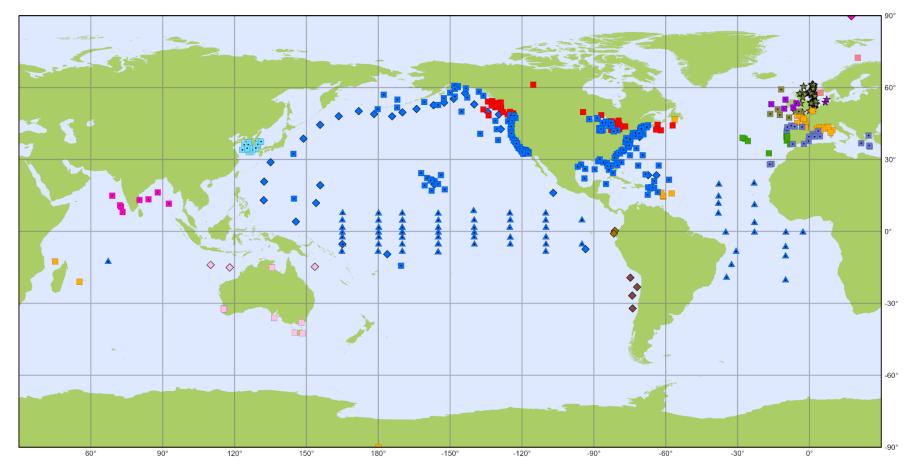
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Moored buoys and other fixed platforms

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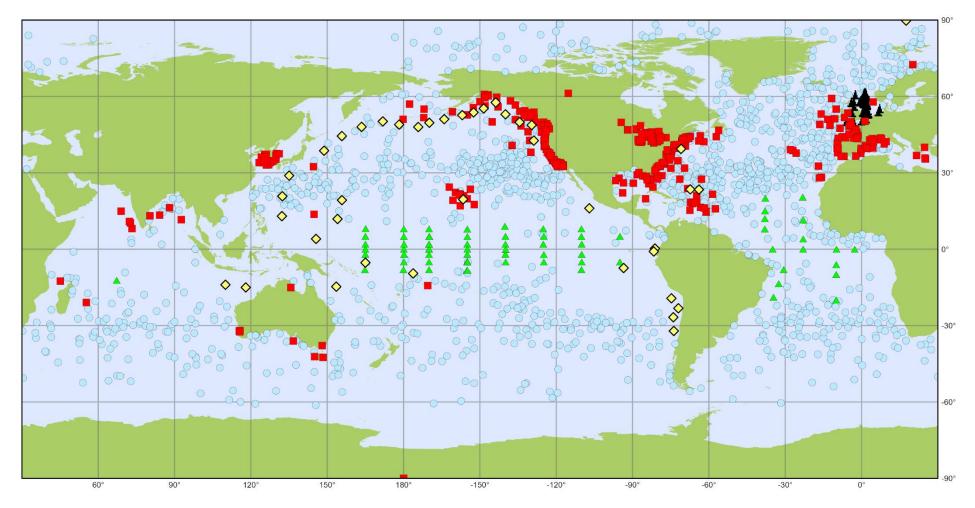
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Operational Platforms

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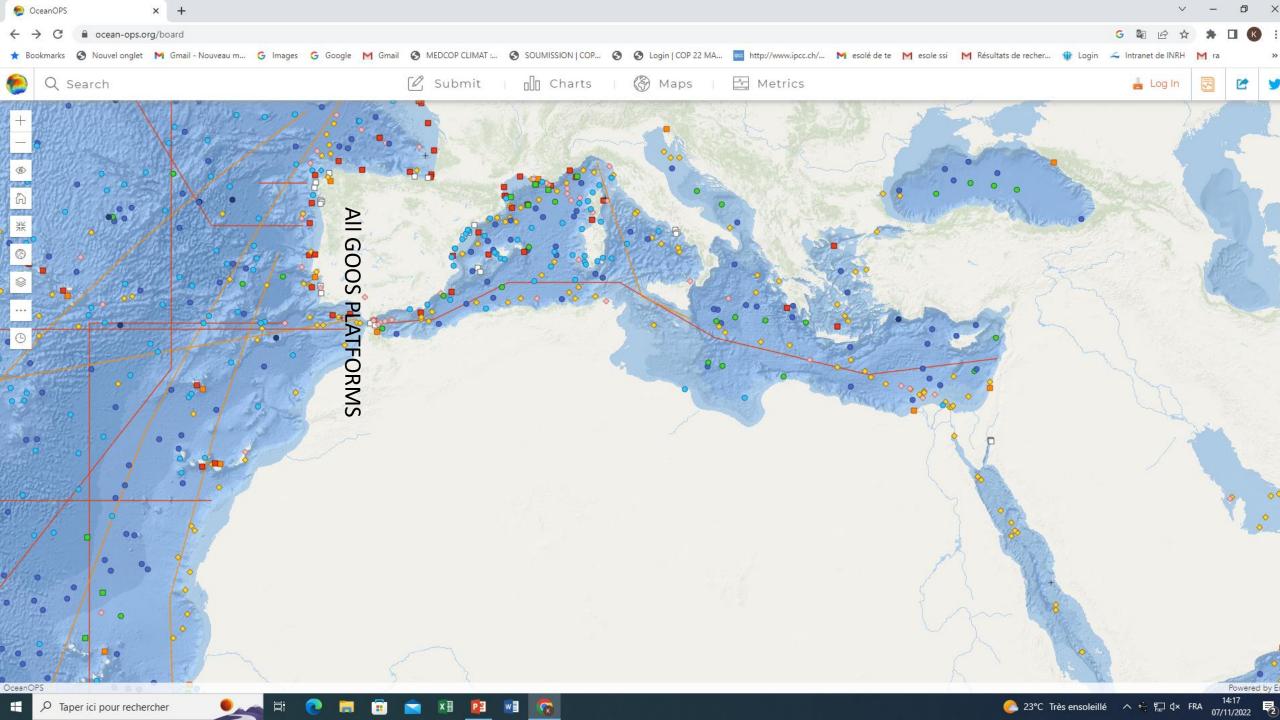
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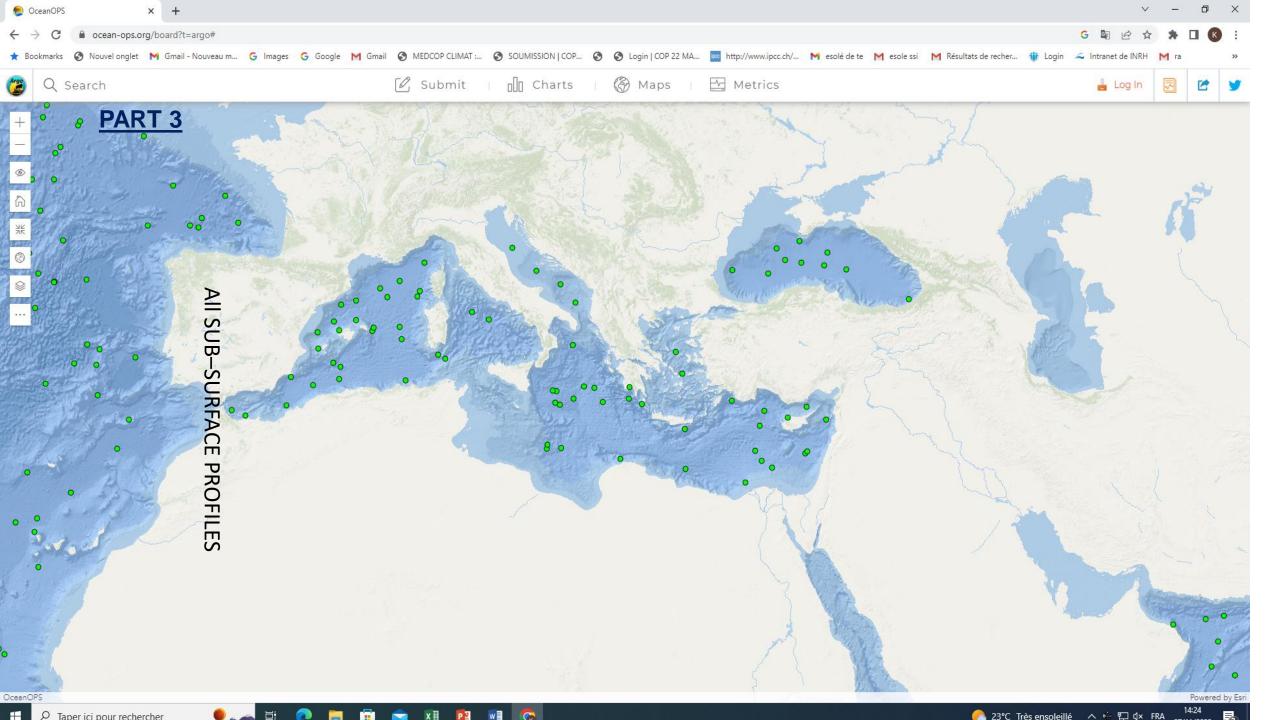


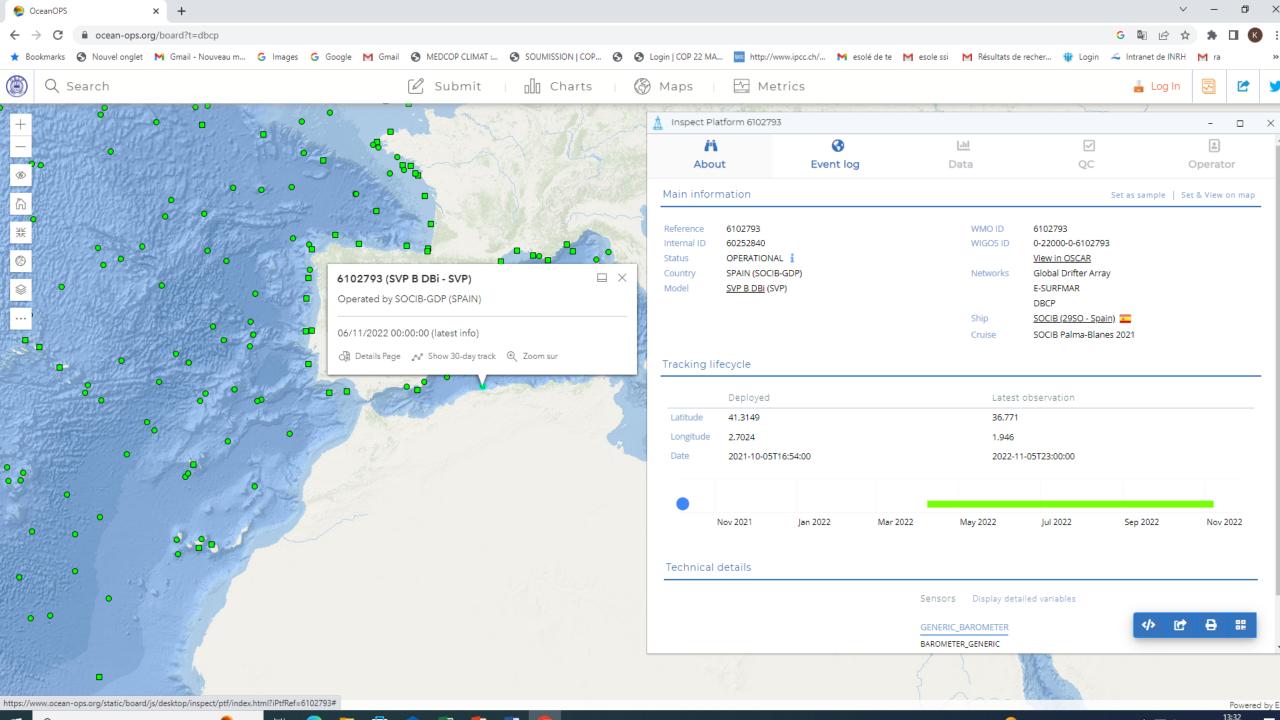


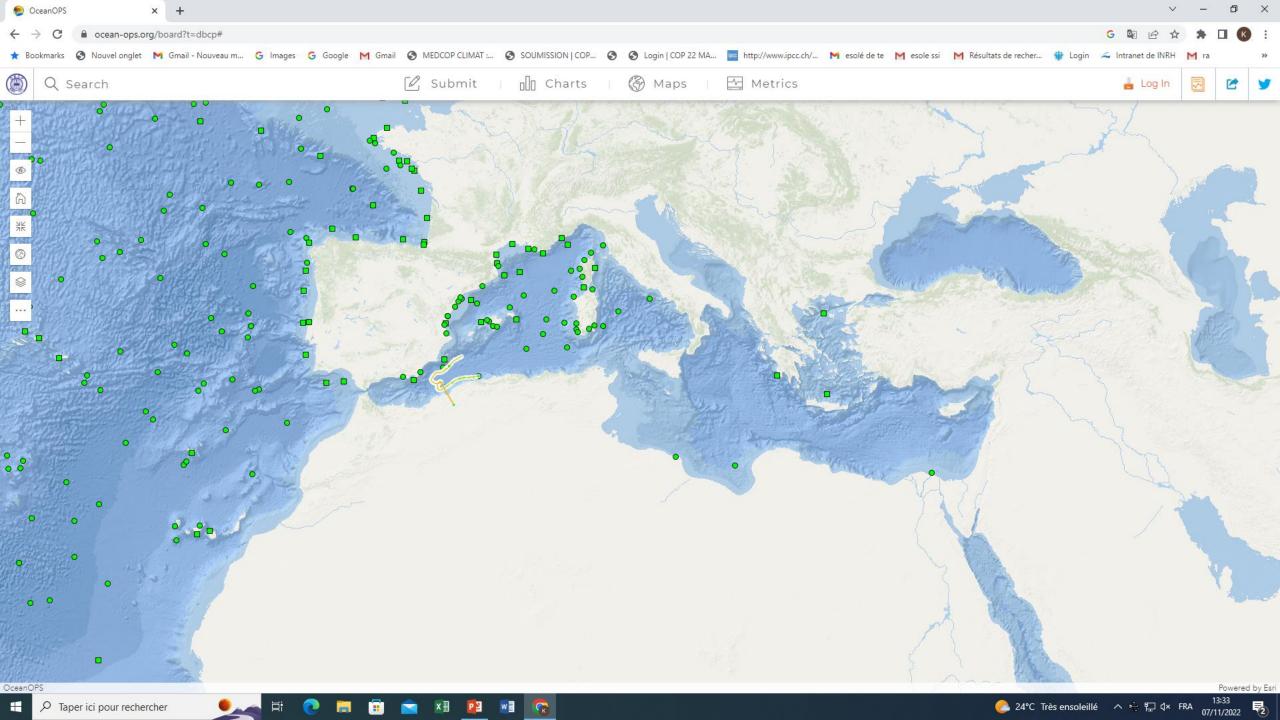


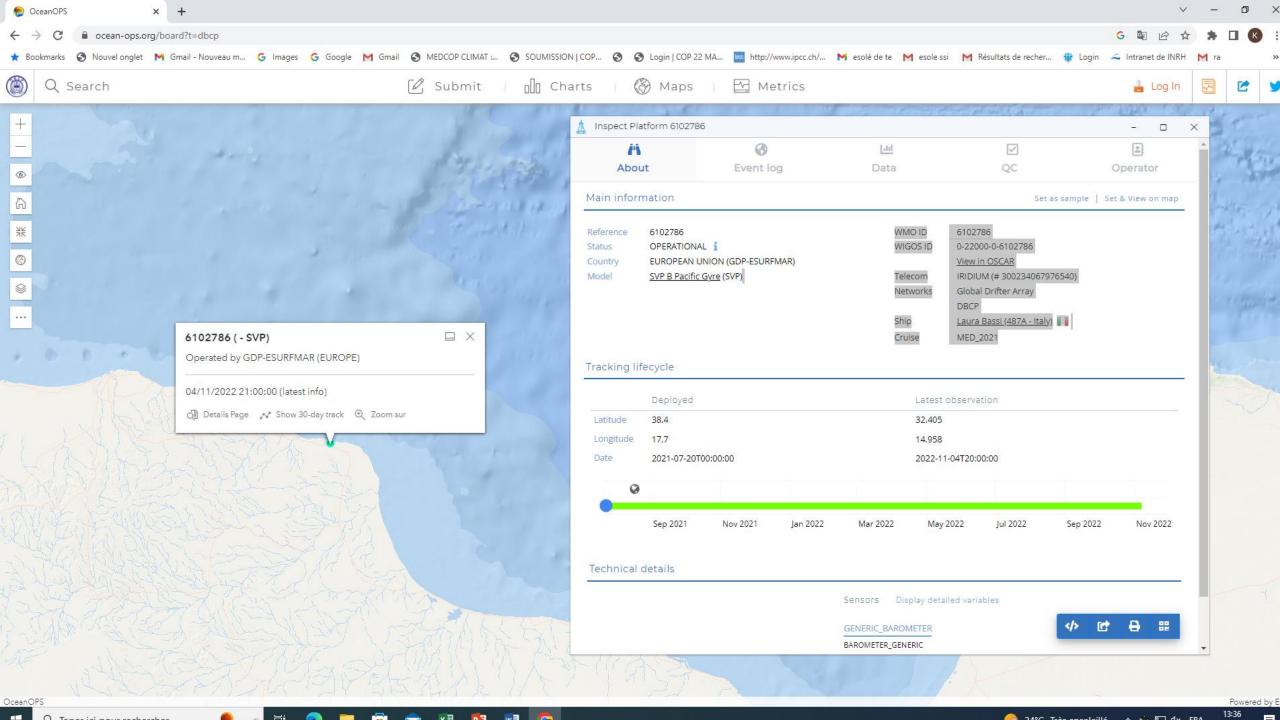
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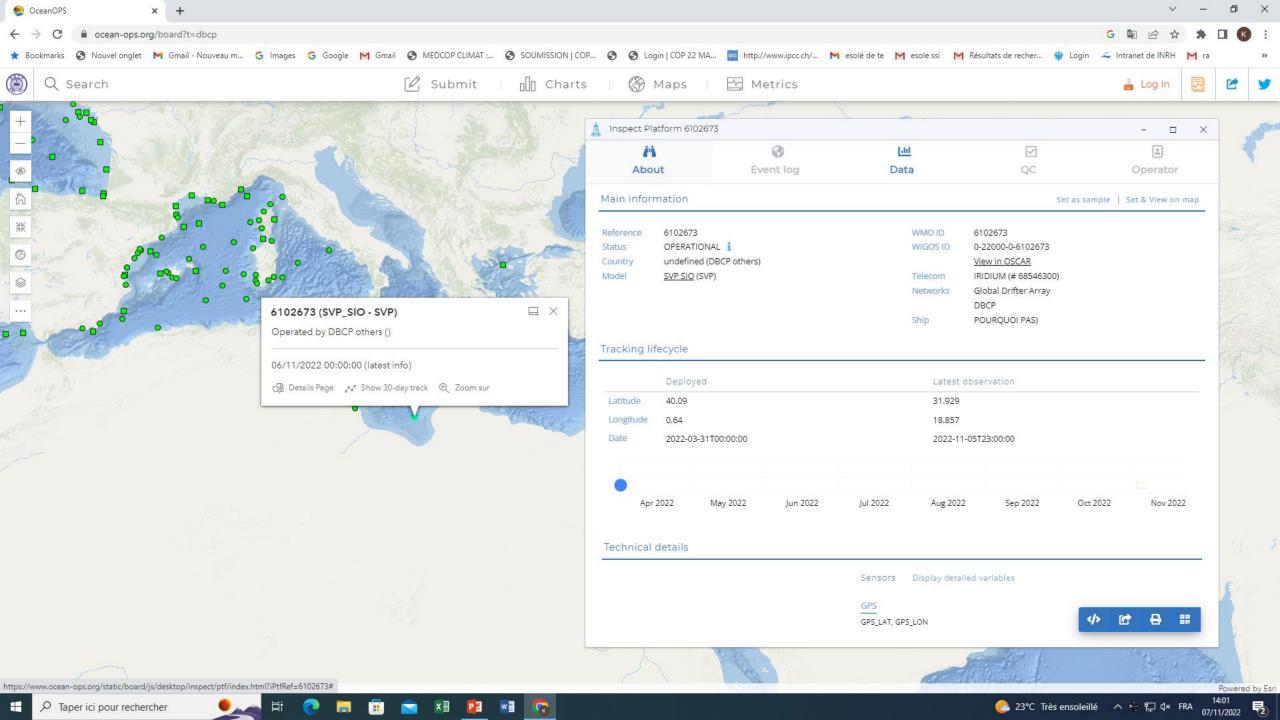


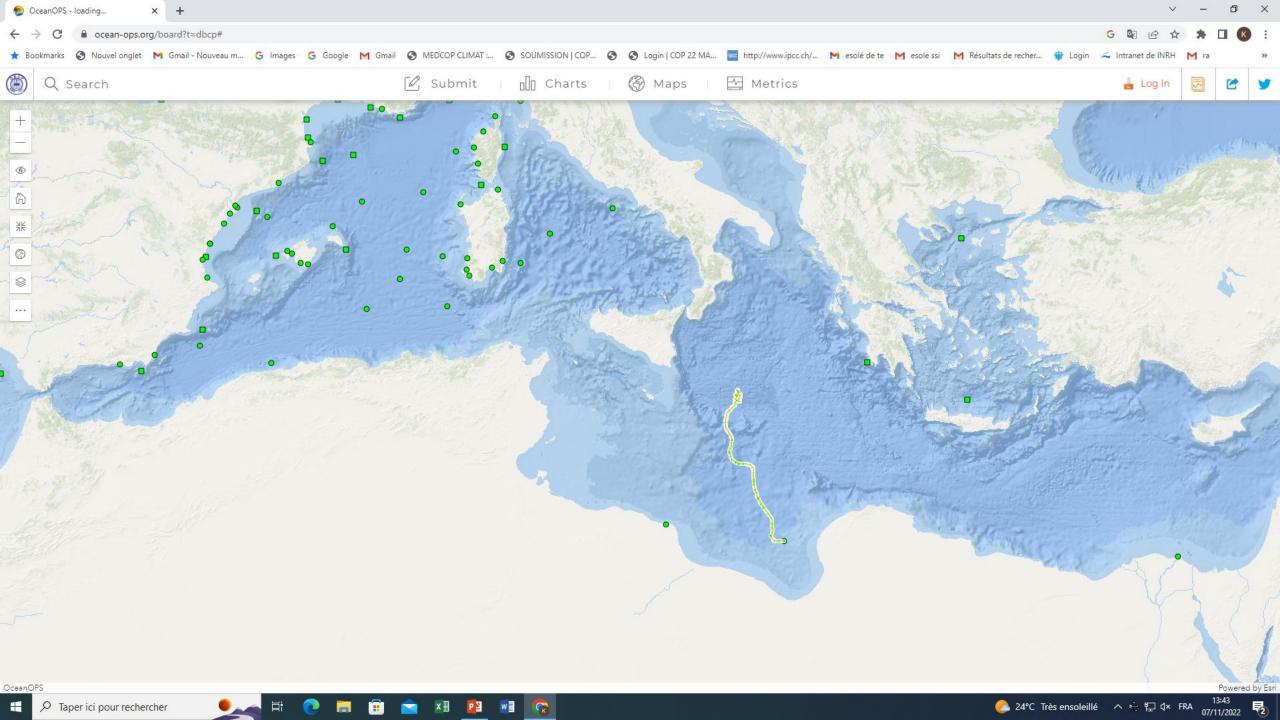


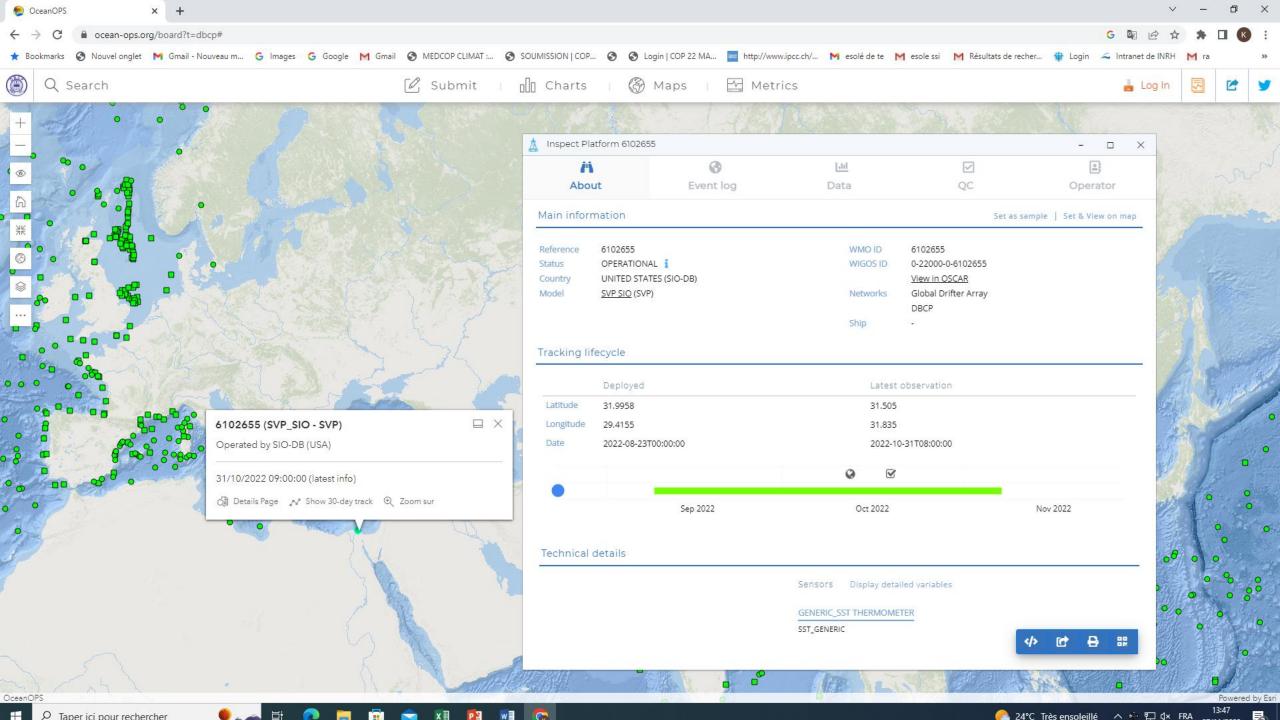


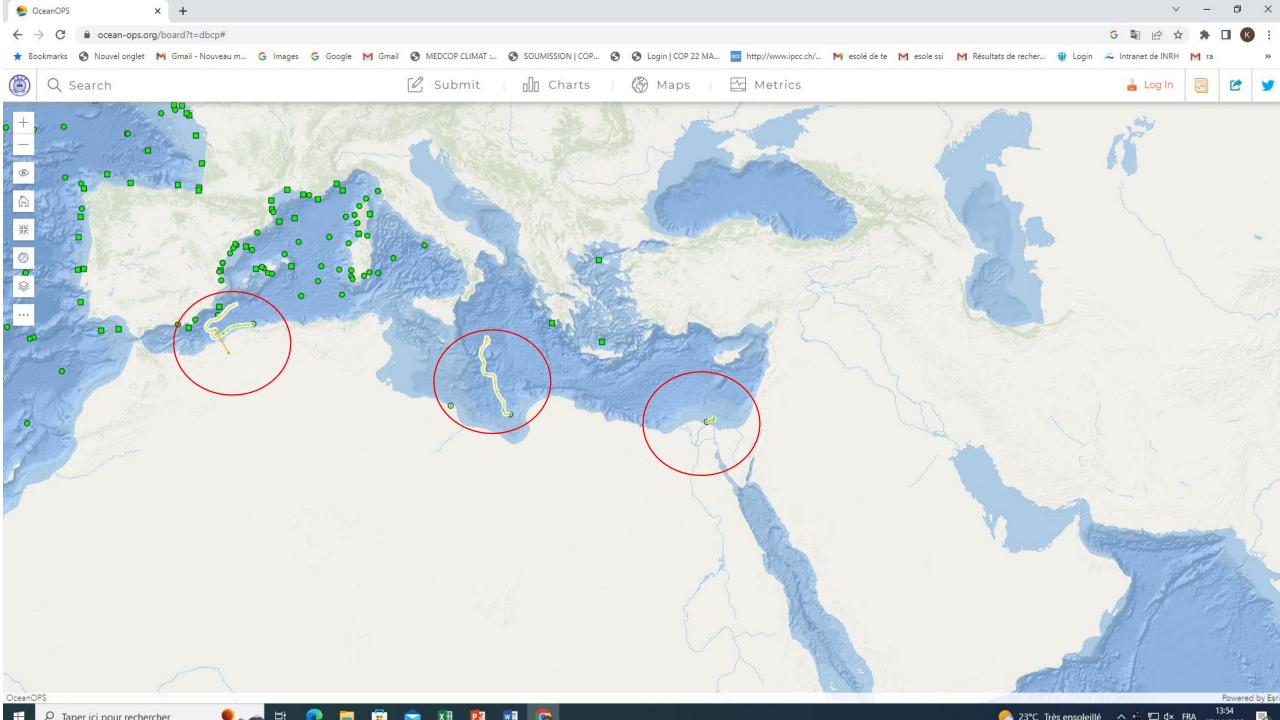














OUR VISION AND MISSION

Vision

A flagship surface ocean observing panel of global standing recognized for its significant contributions from drifting and fixed moored buoys to ocean and climate science, weather, ocean and earth system prediction, sustainable development, safety, well-being and prosperity.

Mission

To facilitate the collection of essential and trusted observations from data buoys at the air-sea interface and the upper ocean as part of an integrated, resilient and sustainable global observing system that serves the current and emerging needs of society - all day, every day.

Pillar 1. Impact and value

Strategic Objective: Engage in activities for advancing ocean science and understanding that have measurable and profound benefits for our existing and growing global, regional and local partners and users.

Pillar 3. Technology innovation

Strategic Objective: Provide leadership to enhance impact, reliability and value by fostering and building lasting partnerships with other ocean observing communities, scientists, engineers and industry that are working to create new measurement capabilities and practices in data buoy observations.

Pillar 5. International cooperation and partnerships

Strategic Objective: Work collaboratively with our users and ocean observing partners to promote, coordinate and deliver valued, resilient, long-term sustainable ocean observations through education, capacity development and outreach programmes.

Pillar 2. Scientific and operational excellence

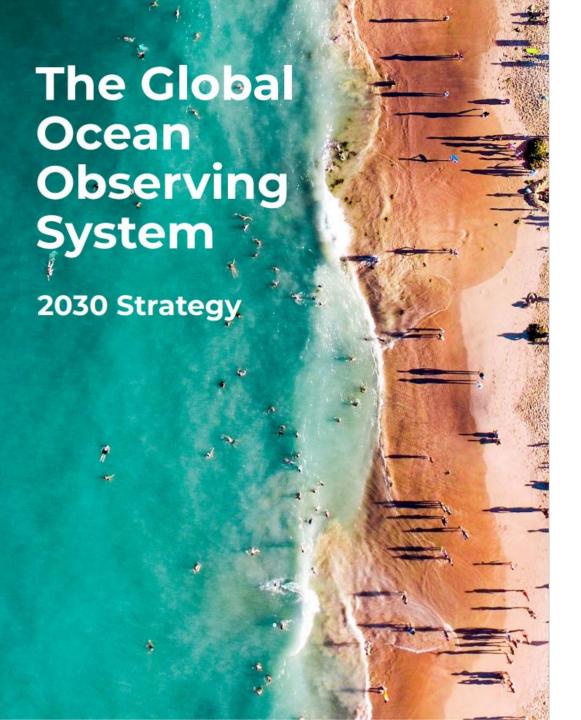
Strategic Objective: Develop outstanding people, science, systems and streamlined processes that together efficiently deliver fit for purpose ocean observations to our users.

Pillar 4. Environmental stewardship

Strategic Objective: Promote technologies and practices that reduce the environmental impact of our operations.

Pillar 6. Diversity and inclusivity

Foster an environment which respects and encourages diverse points of view, relishes creativity, and welcomes membership from all parts of the world.



Underpinning a wide range of applications



PART 4

To help achieve the Global Ocean
Observing System 2030 Strategy and
the Ocean Decade outcomes, GOOS
has launched 3 integrated
programmes that will be foundational
building blocks for the Ocean Decade.

- CO-DESIGN
- COASTAL OCEAN
- CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT



Hierarchy of Decade Actions







Decade Programme

- Global or regional in scale
- Contribute to one or more of the Decade Challenges.
- 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

- Typically a one-off standalone activity
- P Can form part of a programme or project or can relate directly to a Decade Challenge or an outcome.

Decade Contribution

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



The aim of this endorsed project is to raise the hydrographic and oceanographic knowledge on the Moroccan marine zone in the Atlantic Ocean and in the Mediterranean Sea through on-site measurements during sea surveys

Enhancement of hydrographic and oceanographic observations

National Commission for Education, Sciences and Culture - Kingdom of Morocco (MarocNatCom) Morocco

Ocean Literacy Educational Program

Ministry of Maritime Economy Cabo Verde

West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and **Adapted Land Use**

Atlantic Technical University Cabo Verde

African Youths Sustainable Ocean Campaign

Federal University of Technology Owerri Nigeria

Fenoy-X

WIO Early Career Scientists Network South Africa

Enhancing ocean observing system within The Republic of Mauritius

Mauritius Meteorological Services Mauritius

Institutional capacity building towards the sustainability of ocean science in light of COVID-19 pandemic

Nipe Fagio United Republic of Tanzania

Low cost real-time monitoring of pollutants and water quality along the coral reefs in Tanzania

Agua Farms Organization United Republic of Tanzania

Protecting the estuaries of WIO region

School of Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Technology United Republic of Tanzania

Sustainable Ocean **Management** Education **Programme**

Ministry of Fisheries and Blue Economy Seychelles

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To be linked with

- **DBCP Program**
- MONGOOS/

GOOS AFRICA

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Decade

Collaborative

Centre)

- **Coast Predict** initiative
- SciNMeet program
- **Coast Wave**

Project

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Blue Belt

Number of projects

First call for the Decade Actions (01/2021)

Thank you for your attention