

High-Level Scientific Conference

From COP21 towards the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030)

10 - 11 September 2018

UNESCO Headquarters, 7 Place de Fontenoy, 75007 Paris

In view of the launching of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030), the **Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (IOC-UNESCO)** and the **Ocean and Climate Platform (OCP)** are organizing a **High-Level Scientific Conference** on **10 and 11 September 2018**, at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris.

The event aims at synthesizing recent scientific progress on ocean and climate interplays; evaluating the latest ocean, climate, and biodiversity trends; and reflecting on ways to move “**from science to action**”.

MONDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

Session 1

What does science tell us today
about the ocean?

Room X, 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Session 2

An intergovernmental organization
perspective on ocean, climate and
biodiversity knowledge

Room X, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Special session
**Sciences cooperation, policies
interfaces and SDGs in South
Atlantic Ocean**
(Room X, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm)
(UBO, IRD)

Special session
Women in Ocean Science
(Room X, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm)
(Fisheries and Oceans Canada
(DFO), Permanent Delegation of
Canada to UNESCO)

TUESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

Session 3

From science to action: how can
the UN Decade of Ocean Science
make a difference?

Room X, 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Session 4

From science to action:
which policies?

Room X, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Special Session
**Academic research: which
contributions to the United Nations
Decade of Ocean Science?**
(Room X, 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm)
(CNRS, AllEnvi)

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Opening ceremony

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm (Room X)

Welcome address: **Audrey Azoulay**, Director-General, UNESCO

Byong Hyun Lee, Chair of the Executive Board, UNESCO

Nicolas Hulot, Minister for the Ecological and Inclusive Transition (via video)

Romain Troublé, President, Ocean and Climate Platform

Ana Paula Vitorino, Minister of the Sea of Portugal

Session 1 - What does science tell us today about the ocean?

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm (Room X)

William Cheung, Associate Professor, University of British Columbia / NF-UBC Nereus programm

Sheila Heymans, Executive Director, European Marine Board

Patricia Miloslavich, Project Officer, GOOS Biology and Ecosystem Panel

Lauren Mullineaux, Senior Scientist and Biology Department Chair, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

Martin Visbeck, Head of the Research Unit Physical Oceanography, GEOMAR

Moderators: **Anny Cazenave**, Member of the National Academy of Sciences and **Françoise Gaill**, Emeritus Research Director, CNRS

4:30 pm - 5:00 pm *Coffee/tea break*

Poster exhibition

Session 2 - An intergovernmental organization perspective on ocean, climate and biodiversity knowledge

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm (Room X)

Elva Escobar, Institute of Marine Sciences and Limnology, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico

Nathalie Hilmi, Environmental Economist, Scientific Center of Monaco

Valérie Masson-Delmotte, Co-chair, IPCC

Hans-Otto Pörtner, Co-chair, IPCC

Robert Watson, President, IPBES

Moderators: **Joachim Claudet**, Researcher, CNRS-CRIOBE and **Laura Hampton**, journalist

Cocktail

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm (UNESCO restaurant)

Offered by the Paul Ricard Oceanography Institute as part of its Take OFF program ("Take Ocean for Future")

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Session 3 - From science to action: how can the UN Decade of Ocean Science make a difference?

9:00 am - 10:30 am (Room X)

Peter Haugan, Chair, IOC-UNESCO

Torsten Thiele, Economist, Global Ocean Trust

Jacqueline Uku, President, WIOMSA

Anna Zivian, Co-chair, Future Earth Ocean Knowledge-Action Network Development Team; Senior Research Fellow, Ocean Conservancy

Moderators: **Julian Barbière**, Head of the IOC Marine Policy and Regional Coordination Section, IOC-UNESCO and **Patricia Ricard**, President, Paul Ricard Oceanography Institute

10:30 am - 11:00 am *Coffee/tea break*

Poster exhibition

Session 4 - From science to action: which policies?

11:00 am - 12:30 pm (Room X)

Julio Cordano, Head of the Department on Climate Change and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile

Cameron Diver, Deputy Director-General of the Pacific Community

Serge Ségura, French Ambassador for Ocean Affairs

Ricardo Serrão Santos, Member of the European Parliament

Moderators: **Rémi Parmentier**, Director, The Varda Group and **Salvatore Aricò**, Head of the Ocean Science Section, IOC-UNESCO

Closing ceremony

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm (Room X)

Wrap up: **Peter Haugan**, Chair, IOC-UNESCO and **Lisa Svensson**, Director Ocean and Marine Programme, UN Environment

Closing remarks:

Vladimir Ryabinin, Executive Secretary, IOC-UNESCO

Frédérique Vidal, Minister of Higher Education, Research and Innovation of France (tbc)

Special session

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm (Room X)

Academic research: which contributions to the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science? (CNRS, AllEnvi)

