



2021 United Nations Decade
2030 of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development

The Ocean Decade Implementation & Overview of Call for Decade Actions 01/2020

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Recent Milestones in Decade Preparation



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1. Completion of 11 regional planning meetings
2. Ongoing consultations with diverse partners including data meetings, ECOPs, communications and M&E groups
3. Presentation of Implementation Plan to United Nations General Assembly
4. Ocean Decade Virtual Series events
5. Continued establishment of Ocean Decade Alliance
6. Commencement of operational governance and coordination mechanisms
7. Planning for launch events in 2021
8. **Launch of First Call for Decade Actions No. 01/2020**



Ocean Decade Vision

Vision

***The science we need for the
ocean we want***

Mission

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

The Implementation Plan is a ***dynamic, living document*** that will evolve over the Decade.

It provides a ***strategic framework*** for Decade implementation

The Implementation Plan is structured as follows:

- ✓ **Part 1:** provides the rationale, vision, mission and desired outcomes of the Decade.
- ✓ **Part 2:** presents the Decade Action Framework
- ✓ **Part 3:** presents the implementation mechanisms

Decade Action Framework

1. Understand and Beat Marine Pollution
2. Protect and Restore Ecosystems and Biodiversity
3. Sustainably Feed the Global Population
4. Develop a Sustainable and Equitable Ocean Economy
5. Unlock ocean-based solutions to Climate Change
6. Increase community resilience to ocean hazards
7. Expand the Global Ocean Observing System
8. Create a digital representation of the Ocean
9. Deliver Data, Knowledge and Technology to All
10. Change Humanity's Relationship with the Ocean

2030 AGENDA & REGIONAL
AND GLOBAL POLICY
FRAMEWORKS

DECADE OUTCOMES

"THE OCEAN
WE WANT"

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.

Decade Action Hierarchy

Actions will be implemented by a wide range of Decade stakeholders and identified through Calls for Decade Actions. They will map to Challenges & Objectives and fulfil endorsement criteria.



Decade programme

- Global or regional in scale.
- Contributes to one or more of the Challenges.
- Long-term (multi-year), interdisciplinary, multi-partner and typically multi-national.
- Includes component projects, and enabling activities.
- Approx. 50 – 60 programmes operating at any one time.

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
- Can form part of a programme or project or can relate directly to a Decade challenge.

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

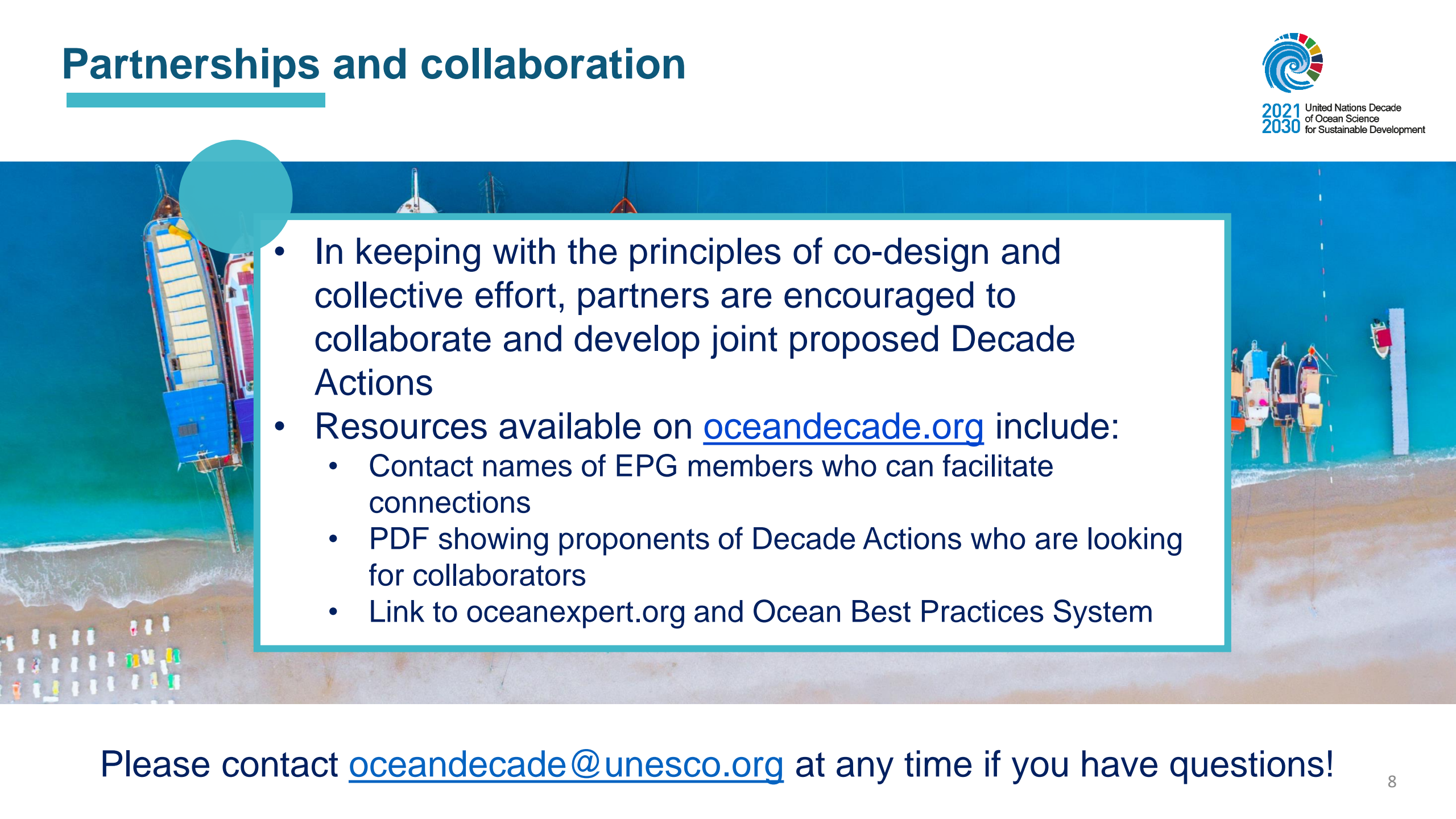
Process for Submitting Proposed Action

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

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- In keeping with the principles of co-design and collective effort, partners are encouraged to collaborate and develop joint 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 and Ocean Best Practices System

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