

GlobalCoast: A transformative Network for integrated Coastal Ocean monitoring and prediction systems

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CoastPredict Programme:

A predicted global coastal ocean from events to climate



Upgrade to a fit-for-purpose oceanographic information infrastructure that integrates latest technology and methods for coastal ocean observation and prediction.

Objective

Provide decision-makers and coastal communities with integrated observing and predicting systems

to identify solutions for managing risk (short-term) and planning for mitigation and adaptation (long-term)

In the context of future climate and ocean change



326 engaged institutions (Steering Committee & Pilot Sites) including





Sub-Commission for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions

Subcomisión para el Caribe y Regiones Adyacentes































Synergies

- OceanPredict:
- Coastal Ocean and Shelf Seas Task Team
- SynObs Project (ForeSea Program)
- Decadal Collaborative Center for Ocean Prediction (Mercator)
- Decadal Collaborative Center for Coastal Resilience (Univ. of Bologna)
- Cities with the Ocean & Ocean Rise and Coastal Resilience Coalition (UNESCO-IOC)
- Sustainable Ocean Planning (UNESCO-IOC)





Drivers & opportunities

Fragmentation of knowledge & efforts



 Establish international network for Global Coastal Ocean innovation and solutions

Large data gaps: coastal zone & Global South



- Equitable & free access
- Development & sharing of knowledge, resources & services

Technology gaps



- Coastal & urban models for the future
- Accessible observing technologies
- Delivery of services & big data

Services don't exist & trust in solutions is low



- Involve coastal managers & communities
- Demonstrate services
 - Public & private partnerships



'GlobalCoast'

- Our Framework for Implementation -

to create globally replicable solutions, standards, and applications that enhance coastal resilience for both natural and built environments

- Innovation accelerator: testbeds in different coastal regions (characteristics of similarities and differences)
- Seamless integration: from open ocean to coasts and estuaries/cities/ports (natural & built environments)
- Global collaboration: methods and solutions that are developed globally and implemented locally
- User focus: stakeholder co-design





GlobalCoast Network

134 Pilot Sites

- > 70 countries
- > 225 partner institutions



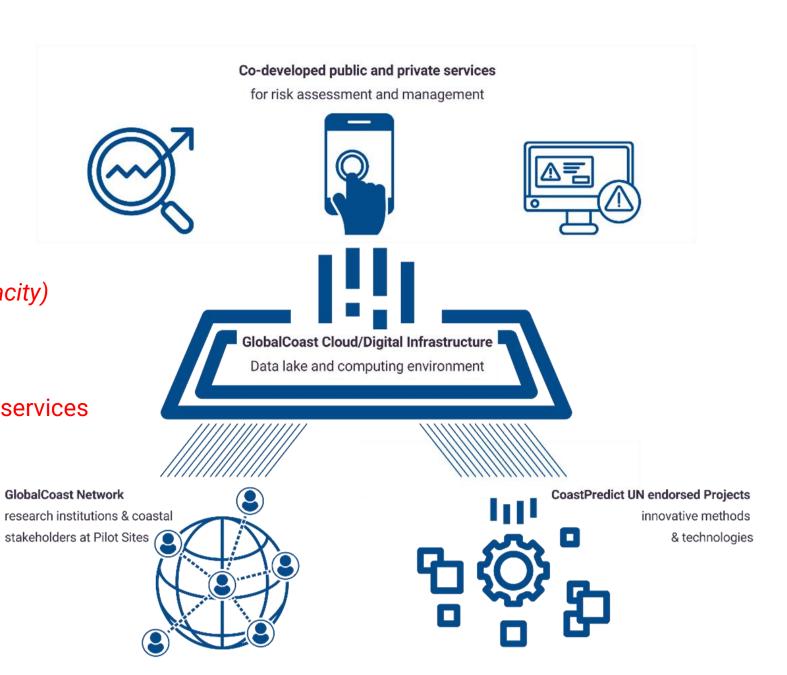


- systematic comparison of solutions and services across remote coastal regions
- synergistic and robust science-based products
- "compare and contrast" to identify global coastal areas where similar (or individualized) solutions can be implemented, tested, and refined



GlobalCoast Framework

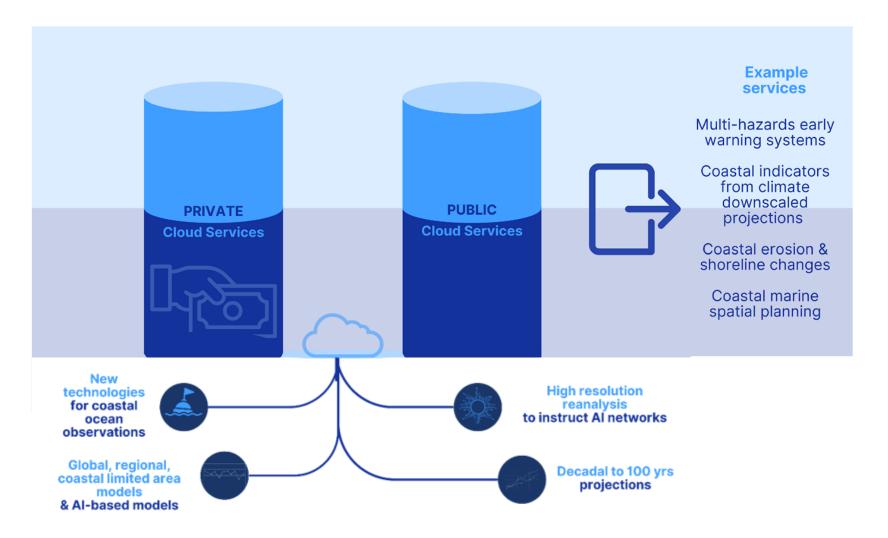
- harness opportunities
- overcome barriers (eg. resource capacity)
- connect the work globally
- enable public-private collaboration
- replicable solutions
- engage cloud technology to support services





GlobalCoast Cloud

- Pilot Site data & information exchange
- Synergy accelerates progress
- Inter-comparison of methods & solutions





GlobalCoast Memorandum of Understanding

https://www.coastpredict.org/globalcoast-network-mou/

52 signatories (as of 8 June 2025)



Purpose & Objectives

- Strengthen global coastal observing & prediction systems under the CoastPredict Programme to enhance coastal community resilience against climate change & disasters
- Foster collaborations, capacity building, & technology sharing

Key Actions

- Coordinate GlobalCoast Network activities for integrated coastal solutions
- Promote partnerships & knowledge exchange across pilot sites
- Align efforts with UNESCO-IOC & other international programs
- Develop risk management strategies & early warning systems



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Open signing period until: 31 December 2025

Institute

- Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University (ATBU)
- 2. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki School of Civil Engineering
- 3. Asociacion ProDelphinus
- Association for Farmers Rights Defense (AFRD)
- 5. ATLANTIC CoLAB Associação para um laboratório colaboratio do Atlântico
- 6. Integrated Marine Observing System (IMOS)
- 7. Caribbean Coastal Ocean Observing System Inc.
- 8. Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology
- 9. Centro de Estudos Estratégicos e Planejamento Espacial Marinho (CEDEPEM) | Universidade Federal de Pelotas (UFPel)
- 10. Cinvestay Center for Research and Advance Studies
- 11. CMCC Foundation Euro-Mediterranean Centre on Climate Change
- 12. CNR-IAS National Research Council of Italy | Institute of Anthropic impacts and Sustainability in marine environment
- 13. Cook Islands Meteorological Service
- 14. European Global Ocean Observing system (EUROGOOS-AISBL)
- 15. Fugro
- 16. Helmholtz-Zentrum hereon GmbH
- 17. IEEE France Section
- 18. Institut de Recherches Halieutiques et Océanologiques du Bénin (IROHB)
- 19. Institute of Geosciences, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro
- 20. Institute of Hydro Engineering of Polish Academy of Sciences
- 21. Instituto Português do Mar e da Atmosfera, I.P. (IPMA)
- 22. Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale (OGS)
- 23. International Centre for Ocean Governance-University of Dhaka
- 24. Nanjing Normal University Jiangsu Center for Collaborative Innovation in Geographical Information Resource Development and Application



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- 25. Laboratorio Nacional CONAHCyT de Oceanografía (LANCO) (Mexican National Oceangraphy Laboratory)
- 26. Laboratório Nacional de Engenharia Civil
- 27. Leibniz-Institut für Ostseeforschung Warnemünde (IOW)
- 28. Marine Institute
- 29. National Marine Environmental Forecasting Centre
- 30. Norwegian Meteorological Institute (MET Norway)
- 31. Ocean Data Network, Inc.
- 32. Ocean Rock Base
- 33. P.P.Shirshov Institute of Oceanology
- 34. Red Iberoamericana de gestión y certificación de playas PROPLAYAS
- 35. Ruđer Bošković Institut (RBI)
- 36. SC Jailoo SRL
- 37. SOCIB
- 38. The Union of Arab Academics (TUOAA)
- 39. The University of the West Indies
- 40. Universita' degli Studi di Palermo
- 41. Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC)
- 42. Université de la Réunion
- 43. University of Bologna Dipartimento di Fisica e Astronomia
- 44. University of Calabria Department of Environmental Engineering
- 45. University of Cantabria
- 46. University of Lagos Department of Marine Sciences
- 47. University of New South Wales (UNSW)
- 48. University of the Philippines Diliman
- 49. University of Tunis
- 50. Centre for Marine and Coastal Studies (CEMACS), Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM)
- 51. Xiamen University College of Earth and Ocean Sciences
- 52. zORION Research Ltd

DCC - Coastal Resilience (DCC-CR)

Strategic Objectives



Improve science information for all

(Vision 2030 white paper 6; Report on SLR...)



Enhance stakeholder engagement

Community of Practice (Coastal Ecosystem and Community Resilience): 181 members



Promote equitable education and training

OTGA course on Sustainable Coastal Growth & Resilience



Uphold environmental justice for coastal

Mission statement

strengthen the connection between the new science and technology developed in the Ocean Decade and coastal stakeholders, implementing innovative

co-design practices for coastal resilience.







communities

PARTNER ALLIANCE NETWORK; a strategic framework that fosters synergies among organizations advancing Coastal Resilience under the UN Ocean Decade.



- Going forward-

CoastPredict/GlobalCoast and the COSS-TT

- MoU sign-in and participation in CP/GC Pilot Sites
- Science in support of solution-based research
- Al-based forecasting: obs very important (connection to GOOS)
- Expand to Global South
- Education, training, ocean literacy, citizen science

