

Deep Ocean Observing Strategy

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The Deep Ocean Observing Strategy (DOOS) is a community-driven, international initiative, strategically aligning the deep ocean observing community toward collective solution-based science.



Builds bridges across disciplines and communities



Facilitates discussions between people/groups tackling similar global deep-sea challenges



Promotes the development of future leaders and elevates diverse global voices



GOOS Essential Ocean Variables (EOVs)

• Physics & Climate (OOPC):

- Ocean Bottom Pressure adopted as EOV
- Turbulence adopted as Pilot EOV
- Geothermal Heat Flux Under development

• Biogeochemistry (BGC):

- Methane integrated EOV "non CO2 GHG"
- Seafloor Oxygen Uptake merge w/ Oxygen EOV
- Seafloor Labile Organic Matter merge w/ Particulate Matter EOV
- Biology & Ecosystems (BioEco):
 - Invertebrate abundance and distribution Perspective paper published; adopted as Pilot EOV
 - Hard coral cover and composition add deep context to existing EOV
 - Sponge cover and composition under discussion



Integrating Modeling and Observing

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to assess our understanding of pathways connecting the surface to the seafloor...

and to develop recommendations for improved detection and attribution of change in the global deep ocean system.



Tracing physical, biogeochemical, and ecological signals from surface to deep sea

A joint US CLIVAR/OCB workshop April 23-25, 2024, in Lewes, DE and virtual

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Accessible Ocean Technology (AOT)

Bringing together AOT Community

- Leading network coordination to synergize efforts across AOT stakeholders (users, tech providers, governmental programs, funders)
- Emphasis on the **<u>global</u>** community
- Co-Creating an online community hub to connect accessible providers and users.

A Lens towards Sustainability

• Producing a roadmap, timeline, and communication points to pave a sustainable path for accessible tech into the Blue Economy.





Habitat Mapping for Place-Based Mgmt

<u>GOAL</u>: gridded regional habitat characterization maps for use across applications - MPAs, Sanctuaries and offshore wind.



McQuaid et al., 2023

Benthic Habitat Classifications A primer from the Deep Ocean Observing Strategy Habitat Mapping for Place-Based Management Working Group



Global Exclusive Economic Zones



Building on a human-centred, iterative, and agile co-design strategy to facilitate the availability of deep ocean data Diana E. LaScala-Gruenewald[®]¹, Natalie H. N. Low¹, James P. Barry¹, Jennifer A. Brown^{2,3}, Chad King³, Francisco P. Chavez¹ and Henry A. Ruhl^{1,4}







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Knowledge Gap Analysis (Pillar et al. 2024)

Future Directions for Deep Ocean Climate Science and Evidence-Based Decision Making Provisionally accepted

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<u>Aims:</u> Collate major deep ocean knowledge gaps across the IPCC AR6 to

- 1. identify key research priorities for improving confidence in AR7
- 2. encourage better representation of deep ocean risks in reporting

IPCC Uncertainty Language Challenges

Report focus is on *medium* \rightarrow *very high confidence* statements & this skewness increases towards widely-read SPMs



Deep Ocean Ramifications?

The deep ocean is understudied
→ characterized by large uncertainty
→ largely left out from SPMs
→ underrepresented in policy & critical research needs overlooked

Pillar et al., Frontiers in Climate, in press.

Highlighted Knowledge Gaps (Pillar et al. 2024)



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UN Ocean Decade Events





2022: COP 27, Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

2022: PICES Sustainability of Marine Ecosystems, Busan, Korea

2023: UNFCCC Ocean and Climate Change Dialogue, Bonn, Germany

2023: COP 28, Dubai, UAE

2023: Informal Consultative Process at the UN General Assembly New York, (New Maritime Technologies: Challenges and Opportunities)

2025: Ocean Visions, Atlanta, GA

2023: DOOS Collective Solution Accelerator, SIO/UCSD

2024: UN Ocean Decade Conference, Barcelona, Spain

2025: ...



Deepening the Decade - Cohesive Asks



Supporting FAIR-er data - SeaFAIRers

- Collaborations with ODIS Ocean InfoHub Decade Programme
- DeCODER project implement schema.org in deep sea data repositories = increased findability
- Decade FAIR Data Cohesive Asks related to Decade-endorsed deep-ocean Actions
 - Provide Actions with FAIR/CARE data training by 2025.
 - Obtain endorsement and commitment of FAIR and CARE data from 100% of Actions by 2028.
 - Provide Actions with OBIS training or resources by 2026.



https://www.deepoceanobserving.org/pages /tips-for-managing-your-ocean-data



DOERs data training by Stace! doi: 10.1575/1912/67631

Deep Ocean Early-career Researchers

The science we need for the ocean we want... requires a sustained & innovative workforce





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ECOP

Website coming soon!

Contact <u>ehetheri@ucsd.edu</u> if you're interested in joining the Deep ECOP Task Team

What should the deep ECOP task team work on?

- 1. Outreach-education & ocean literacy
- 2. Networking & professional development/workshops
- 3. Capacity building & Skill sharing
- 4. Central coordination of ECR programs/activities (i.e., avoiding duplication)
- 5. Engaging in deep ocean science policy & advocating for ECR representation at high level meetings
- 6. Publishing opinion pieces or desk-based studies

Hoping to serve as a connection point between early career folks and Decade actions.

Thank you!



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