



# Ocean20 Feedback

# SA Indian Ocean Rim Association Academic Group

## 2026 Roadshow



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2021  
2030 United Nations Decade  
of Ocean Science  
for Sustainable Development



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## OCEANS20 COMMUNIQUÉ A Call to G20 Leadership

Driving Economic Prosperity, Climate Action,  
and Security through Ocean Stewardship.



### The seven key recommendations of Brazil's Oceans20 to the G20 leaders were:

1. Ensure a Clean, Healthy, and Productive Ocean
2. Expand Sustainable Aquatic Food Systems
3. Scale Up Offshore Wind Energy
4. Enhance Maritime Governance for Sustainable Shipping
5. Incentivize Ocean Finance
6. Improve Maritime Security
7. Strengthen Global Coordination

### The ten priority themes identified in the Oceans20 Communiqué are:

1. Promoting a sustainable and equitable ocean economy
2. Advancing an ambitious, inclusive climate and just energy transition
3. Fostering food security and sustainable fisheries practices
4. Conserving and restoring marine resources and ecosystems
5. Strengthening inclusive and adaptive ocean governance
6. Social inclusion and just transition
7. Enhancing ocean policy coherence and integration
8. Fostering cooperative science and innovation
9. Stimulating public-private-philanthropic partnerships
10. Accelerating ocean finance



# Key Highlights of 2025



Ocean20 South Africa Launch, Cape Town, 2 April 2025



United Nations Ocean Conference, Nice, 9 June 2025



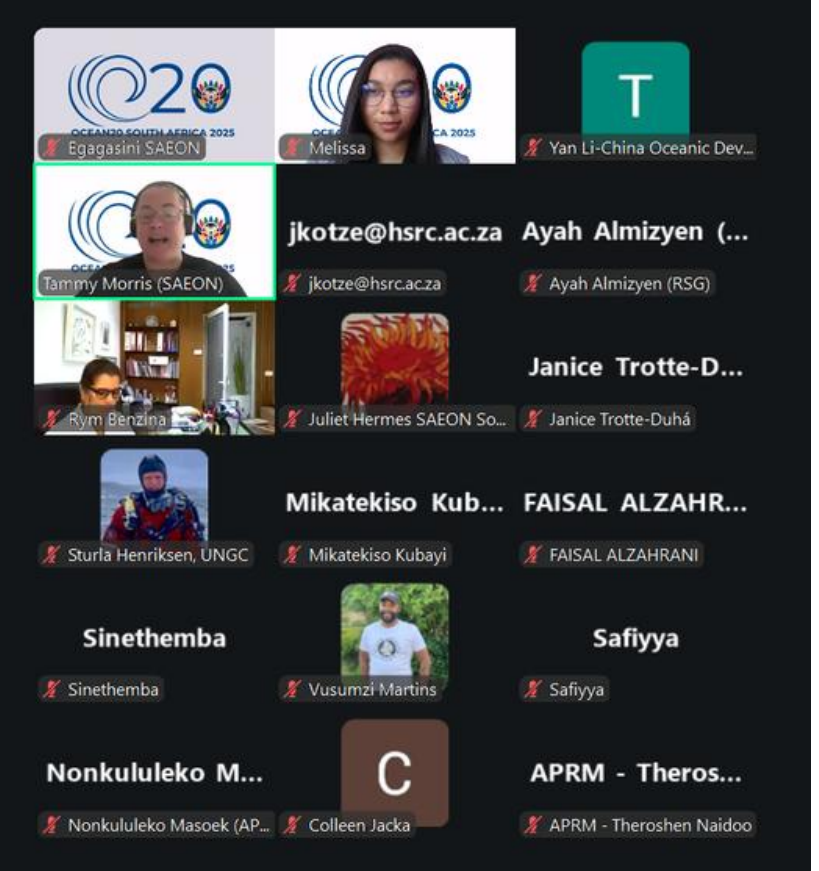
Taking the Oceans Inland, Mbombela, 26-27 May 2025



3rd Sherpa Meeting, Sun City, 26 June 2025



Ocean20 Mid-way Meeting, Online, 27 August 2025,



# Workshops Hosted

## South African Marine Science Symposium (SAMSS)



**SAMSS 2025**  
Ocean20 & Women20  
Side Event

**Building Bridges Through Generational Dialogue**

**Session 1 – “Real Talk” for ECRs**  
Candid career stories, lessons learnt, and interactive World Café discussions with marine science mentors

**Session 2 – Women in Marine Science**  
Celebrating women’s journeys, tackling gender barriers, and sharing cross-generational wisdom

Wednesday, 10 September 2025  
15h00 – 17h30

Southern Sun Hotel, Cape Town

Space is limited, so secure your seat by 1 September 2025! [Register Here](#)

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**ACCESSIBLE TECHNOLOGIES AND MODELS WORKSHOP**

Side Event at  
**SAMSS 2025**  
11 September 2025  
Southern Sun Hotel, Cape Town

Join us for a full-day interactive workshop on accessing global and regional ocean datasets, using cost-effective technologies for data collection, and applying data in open-access modelling systems.

**Scan to submit your application**

**Requirements:**  
Must be registered for SAMSS | Laptop with 25GB free space | Pre-install: Oracle VirtualBox

# Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association Symposium (WIOMSA)



**ACCESSIBLE TECHNOLOGIES AND MODELS WORKSHOP**

Join us at **WIOMSA**, for a full-day interactive workshop on accessing **global and regional ocean datasets**, using **cost-effective technologies** for data collection, and applying data in **open-access modelling systems**.

**FRIDAY 3 October 2025**

**Pride Inn Paradise Resort, Mombasa, Kenya**

**Scan to register**

**Requirements:**  
Must be registered for WIOMSA | Laptop with 25GB free space | Pre-install: Oracle VirtualBox



Join us at **WIOMSA 2025!**

**Advancing Inclusion of the Global South in Earth Sciences**

Update on recent initiatives by the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP) to enhance engagement in the Western Indian Ocean region

**2025**  
**FRIDAY 3 OCTOBER**  
**PRIDE INN PARADISE RESORT, MOMBASA, KENYA**

This session will highlight new initiatives to strengthen engagement and scientific capacity in the Western Indian Ocean region, amplify Global South voices, and build pathways for equitable collaboration in climate and ocean sciences.

Keynotes & reflections from leading scientists and early/mid-career researchers  
Discussions on breaking barriers to inclusion  
Panel on opportunities for collaboration and capacity advancement

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**Note: You must be registered for WIOMSA to join this event**

# Ocean20 South Africa Summit

## 4-5 November 2025, Cape Town





**G20** SOUTH AFRICA 2025



OCEAN20 SOUTH AFRICA 2025

## Ocean20 Communiqué

Advancing a Sustainable and Inclusive Ocean Economy



Solidarity

Equality

Sustainability

# Ocean20 South Africa Communiqué and Chairship Handover





# Briefing Notes



BN1 - Energy Security and the Ocean

BN2 - Financing the Sustainable Ocean Economy

BN3 - Enhancing Global Economic Security and Prosperity by building on the  
Maritime Transition

BN4 - A Global Governance Framework for Ocean-Based Carbon Dioxide Removal  
(mCDR)

BN5 - Effective Ocean Communication and Connectivity

BN6 - Blue Foods

BN7 - Accessible Ocean Observing Technologies

BN8 - Deep-sea Mining - Why a Precautionary Pause is Needed

BN9 - Freshwater Flowing into the Ocean is not Wasted

**Special BN in Collaboration with Women20 - Empowering Women in Small-Scale Aquaculture  
and Fisheries for Resilient Food Systems**

# G20 Social Summit

## 18-20 November, Boksburg



# Ocean Actions -



**ECON-SA**

**Early Career Ocean  
Networks of South Africa**

**Sustainable Blue foods**

**Connecting inland communities to  
the ocean (rivers, blue foods,  
pollution)**

**Advancing Innovative  
Technologies for Coastal  
Resilience**

**Ocean Co-Management**

**Establishment of a women in  
science working group**

**Blue Tech Entrepreneurship**

**Responsible ocean governance -  
Kelp Forests**

**Ocean Financing solutions**



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