

# **Scientists for Ocean Literacy**

**Ocean Decade Activity, 8 July 2021 - Summary Report**



**Oceanographers for Ocean Literacy & EuroGOOS recommendations** - Dina Eparkhina, EuroGOOS

### Case studies from the EuroGOOS Ocean Literacy Network:

**Localizing Ocean Literacy** - Panayota Koulouri, European Marine Science Educators Association – EMSEA-Med / HCMR, Greece

**Oceanographic consoles for Ocean Literacy** - Andrew King, Norwegian Institute for Water Research (NIVA), Norway

**Citizen scientists monitoring the ocean** - Marina Locritani, National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology (INGV), Italy

**Turning the tide for women in oceanography** - MCarmen Garcia, Spanish Institute of Oceanography (IEO), Spain

**SeaFest maritime festival** - Garry Kendellen, Irish Ocean Literacy Network

**The colours of the Mediterranean** - Michela Angiolillo and Marco Pisapia, Italian National Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA), Italy

### Discussion

[www.eurogoos.eu/oceanliteracy](http://www.eurogoos.eu/oceanliteracy)

Registered: 86

Participated: 42

Countries: 14

Top Tweet earned 6,464 impressions

Registration is open for #EuroGOOS\_OL activity in the @UNOceanDecade Lab on Inspiring & Engaging Ocean! We invite you to discuss the role of scientists as #OceanLiteracy advocates! 🌊📅 8 July, 2-3:30 PM CEST, virtual. eurogoos.eu/2021/07/01/sci... #OceanDecade pic.twitter.com/HerH76Yile



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Excited for the First #OceanDecade Laboratory? You can also join Satellite Activities like "Scientists for Ocean Literacy" which aims to inspire & help empower the ocean literacy communities of practice.

8 July, 2:00 - 3:30 pm CEST  
Learn more bit.ly/3jNG2ZO

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**1/ AN INSPIRING AND ENGAGING OCEAN**  
ANNOUNCEMENT OF EUROGOOS ACTIVITY  
7 and 8 July 2021

**We invite you to discuss the role of scientists as Ocean Literacy advocates in their communities, countries, and regions!**

EuroGOOS activity "Scientists for Ocean Literacy" will feature our latest policy brief recommendations for the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development 2021-2030 and showcase Ocean Literacy activities in Europe.

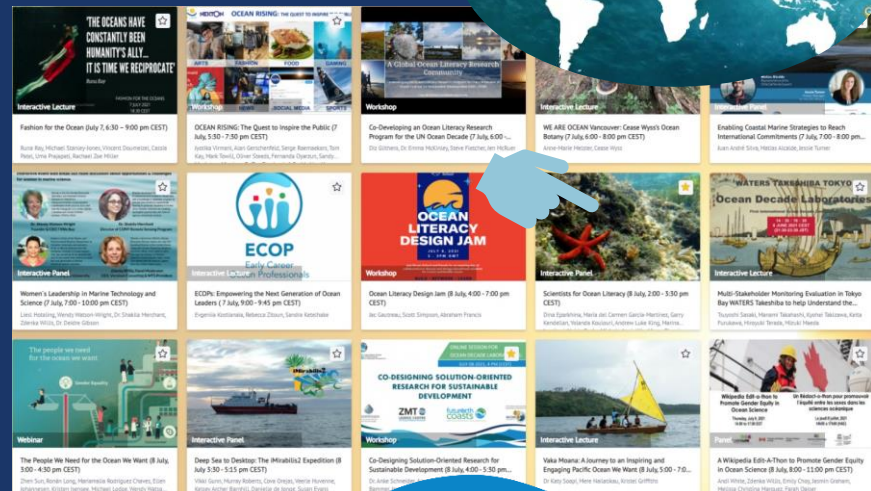
Join us to get inspired in transforming ocean knowledge into actions for the Ocean We Want!

**8 JULY, 2-3:30 PM CEST, VIRTUAL**  
Programme & registration: [www.eurogoos.eu/oceanliteracy](http://www.eurogoos.eu/oceanliteracy)

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## One of 15 Ocean Decade Laboratory Satellite Activities globally Taking place on 7 & 8 July 2021



## Scientists for Ocean Literacy

**EuroGOOS Ocean Decade Activity in Inspiring and Engaging Ocean Laboratory, 8 July 2021**



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**Interactive discussion with audience through a range of talks, questions and answers, and polls**



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# Ocean Literacy

in European Oceanographic Agencies

EuroGOOS recommendations for  
the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable  
Development 2021-2030

EuroGOOS Policy Brief



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## KEY MESSAGES and RECOMMENDATIONS



### Addressing the "COVID-19 GAP" in activities

Responding to the challenges of the  
pandemic strengthened the initial goal  
of the Ocean Literacy Framework to  
raise awareness of the importance of the  
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### SPOTLIGHT on oceanographic and meteorological agencies as Ocean Literacy advocates

A series of national Ocean Literacy  
advocacy events were organized in 2020  
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# Key messages and recommendations

1. Ocean Literacy activities help **connect marine research** with **education, policy, economy, and society**.

2. **Impact monitoring** of Ocean Literacy activities is required to fully assess the benefits of these activities.

3. Ocean Literacy should be **recognized** as a **significant action** and a **research field** in oceanography, with an adequate **funding** support.

4. **Partnerships** with professionals in other disciplines will give better results.

5. **Collaborations among** Ocean Literacy **practitioners** are key to strengthen the European capacity and empower practitioners in their work.

6. Ocean Literacy activities should strive to be **inclusive and accessible to all**.



Credit: Carmen Garcia



Credit: OGS

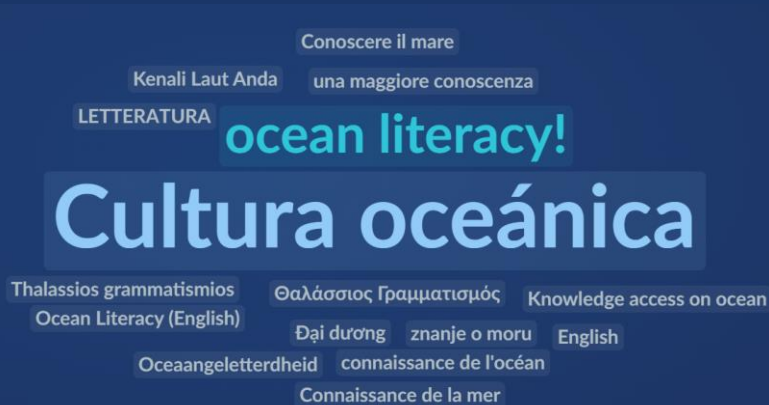


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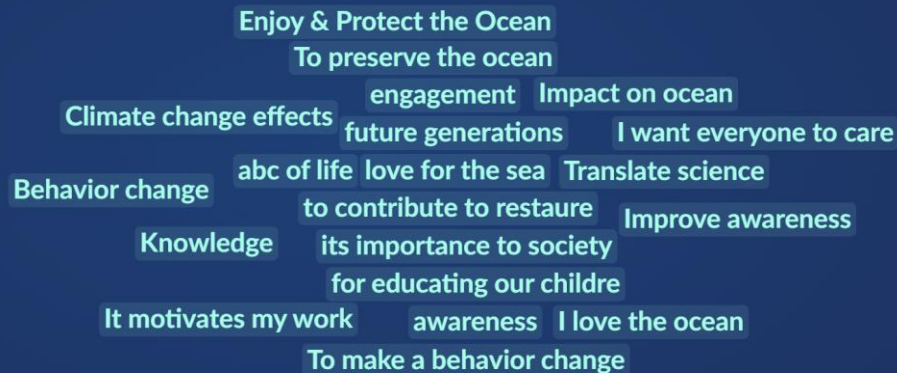


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## What is Ocean Literacy in your language?



## Why is Ocean Literacy important to you?



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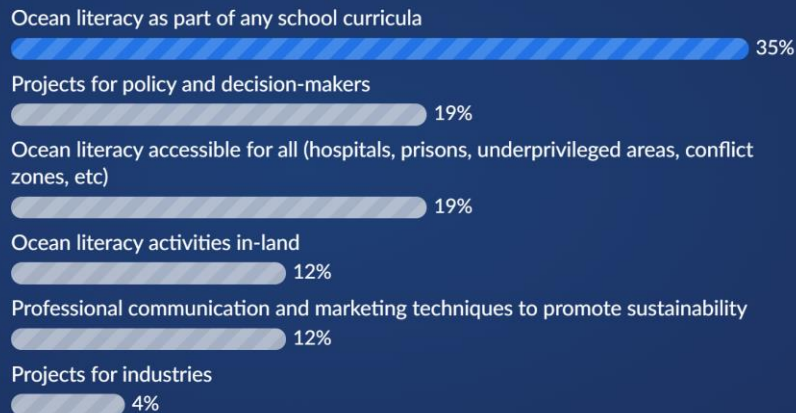
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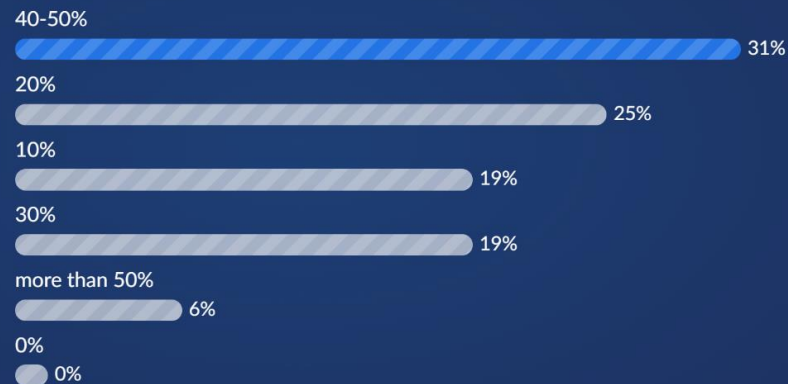
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## What is the most missing in Ocean Literacy activities today?



## How much of their time should scientists take to engage with public (ocean literacy activities, outreach to public, journalists & media, etc)?



# What do you take home from this event?

A lot of interest Progress but challenging  
More engagement in OL support researchers Inspiration:-)  
lot of work ahead women in science the infinity of OL  
Positivity! **More work to do!** a common cause  
Information **more awareness on OL** Increased knowledge  
new ideas **Inspiring ideas** Commitment  
more money for outreach OL research  
OL as a research field **Inspiration** Turn an idea into action  
Funding/credit! Wonderful opportunity  
inspirational examples  
Great examples of OL



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