# Science to Conserve Ocean Resources

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# Atlantic bluefin tuna



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#### Could big-game fishing return to the UK?

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Bluetin tuna return to North Bea after 50-year absence

undercurrent



Bluefin back in North Sea

#### Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillations drive the basin-scale distribution of Atlantic bluefin tuna

in UK waters

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Warming seas linked to bluefin tuna sur

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## **OCEAN SCIENCE TO UNDERSTAND DYNAMIC OCEAN**

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1930

- Driver-Response relations and Tipping points
- Connectivity and Variability in space and time
- Multiple stressors and their cumulative effects: temperature, anoxia and dead zones, acidification, pollution
- Multi/Transdisciplinary approaches to address complexity





ecology & evolution

### The political biogeography of migratory marine predators

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Albacore tuna 
O Pacific bluefin tuna 
O Yellowfin tuna 
O Blue shark 
Shortfin mako shark 
O Salmon shark 
O White shark 
O Leatherback sea turtle
O California sea lion 
O Northern elephant seal 
O Black-footed albatross 
Laysan albatross 
O Sooty shearwater 
O Blue whale

Fig. 1 | Daily locations of marine predators electronically tracked within EEZs and the high seas of the Pacific Ocean. a, State-space-modelled daily locations of 14 marine predator species electronically tracked (2000-2009) in EEZs (transparent overlay) and the high seas (ocean water falling outside the transparent overlay). Adapted with permission from ref.<sup>1</sup>, Springer Nature Ltd. b, Key to visited EEZs. EEZ boundaries from the VLIZ Maritime Boundaries Geodatabase (2016); some are disputed. Refer to official records for all claimants and alternative geographies. 1, Alaska (USA); 2, Canada;

## **OCEAN SCIENCE IN SUPPORT OF SUSTAINABLE USE**

#### Multiple roles

- Understand (human) drivers and effects in changing ocean
- Translate scientific knowledge to inform science policy and develop policy advice
- Co-design effective measures for sustainable management of marine resources
- Monitor human impact at appropriate scale in space and time
- Develop new frameworks for assessing impact of multiple stressors
- Develop innovative technologies and novel management frameworks: adaptive, dynamic & real-time resource management in ecosystem approach (4D-Connected Ocean)
- Feed governance mechanisms at different scales (sea basin, regional seas, global..)



# UN DECADE OF OCEAN SCIENCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

2021-2030

A Safe Ocean A Clean Ocean A Predicted Ocean A Healthy and Resilient Ocean A Sustainable and Productive Ocean A Transparent and Accessible Ocean



# A Transparent and Accessible Ocean

#### **Ocean Data and Information**

- Ocean Data is a **Public Good**: key to achieve SDG
- Leave no Ocean Data behind
- Develop global and internationally recognized **Ocean Data Policy**: FAIR, QA
- Engage +20 UN Agencies in data sharing, engage Ocean economy actors
- Invest in Sustained Ocean Observing Systems, incl biological variables



#### **Capacity Development**

- Needs-driven
- Regional differences, diversity
- Access to Ocean Knowledge is Human Right
- Equal Access-Equitable Access
- Develop global access point with regional portals- access to training opportunities
  - Engage in collaboration and sharing

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## **UN DECADE OF OCEAN SCIENCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Knowledge gaps and ocean science priorities for the 2030 Agenda Existing relevant partnerships/networks/initiatives and gaps Priorities in capacity-development/training Priority topics and themes Potential partners



- Acknowledge the role of Ocean ecosystem diversity & functioning in Earth system
- Embrace complexity of Ocean: New system thinking transdisciplinarity
- Develop innovative (Ocean Observing, Modelling, Analytics) technologies & Develop novel (governance and collaboration) frameworks for

Conserving ocean ecosystems as a basis for sustainable use

## THANK YOU

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