



We sincerely thank all applicants, including governments, international organizations, research institutions, and NGOs, for their passion and efforts in participating in the side event application process for the 2025 Our Ocean Conference. Their dedication has been instrumental in shaping the conference's vision, and it is with great pleasure that we now announce the results of the first round of side event selections. These selected events will play a pivotal role in addressing the core agendas of the OOC 2025 program.


Given the high volume of exceptional proposals received and the highly competitive selection process, we regret that it was not possible to accommodate all the outstanding submissions in the first round. To provide an additional opportunity for participation, we are pleased to announce the opening of a second round of applications, including those who were not selected in the first round. To ensure broader participation and provide more opportunities for meaningful engagement, we encourage applicants to connect with selected event organizers working on similar topics. We believe that this approach will inspire meaningful connections and pave the way for co-hosting and joint participation, fostering collaboration and maximizing the impact of side events.

Details regarding the side events, such as assigned time, date, and venue, will be shared at a later stage in accordance with the conference schedule.


We greatly appreciate your continued interest and cooperation, and we look forward to witnessing the collective contributions that will shape the success of the 2025 Our Ocean Conference.

The 10th OOC Preparatory Office

Selection Result

Agenda	Event Name	Organizer
 <p>Sustainable Fisheries</p>	<p>The High Seas Treaty and Regional Fishery Management Organizations: Navigating Shared Waters & Responsibilities</p>	<p>Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security</p>
	<p>Transparency in Action</p>	<p>Environmental Justice Foundation</p>
	<p>From Ocean to Plate: The Role of Technology and Harmonisation in ensuring Seafood Traceability and fighting against IUU Fishing</p>	<p>EU IUU Fishing Coalition</p>
	<p>Women in Blue Foods: Pathways to Achieve Justice for Human, Environment, and Future Generations</p>	<p>Indonesia Ocean Justice Initiative</p>
	<p>Taking the Central Arctic Ocean Fisheries Agreement from Theory to Practice: Implementing Commitments for Science and Indigenous Knowledge</p>	<p>Inuit Circumpolar Council</p>
	<p>Strengthening Food Security and Climate Resilience via Stakeholder-Driven Sustainable Seaweed Supply Chains</p>	<p>Korea Maritime Institute (APEC-Related Event)</p>
	<p>Sustainable Growth and Resilience of Small-Scale Fisheries Through Vessel Modernization</p>	<p>Korea Maritime Transportation Safety Authority (APEC-Related Event)</p>
	<p>Forum on Maritime Crimes Related to IUU Fishing and Fishermen's Human Rights</p>	<p>Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of the Republic of Korea (ROK) & APIL</p>
	<p>Leveling the Playing Field: Labor Standards, Enforcement, and Cooperation to Galvanize Sustainable Fisheries</p>	<p>U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of International Labor Affairs</p>

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 <p>MPAs</p>	<p>Ambition to Action: Asia and the Pacific's Ocean Conservation Leadership</p>	<p>Bloomberg Ocean Fund</p>
	<p>Starting with the Southern Ocean: How protecting Antarctica can advance global ocean conservation, promote peace and diplomacy, and lay a foundation for the success of the BBNJ treaty</p>	<p>Climate Ocean Research Institute (CORI)/Antarctic and Southern Ocean Coalition (ASOC)</p>
	<p>Scaling Commitments for Marine Conservation: Multi-Stakeholder Approaches and Technological Innovations for Effective MPAs and OECMs</p>	<p>Directorate of Aquatic Biota and Ecosystem Conservation. Indonesian Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries</p>
	<p>Collaborating for conservation: Protecting the Yellow Sea's Biodiversity and Ecosystems</p>	<p>ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office</p>
	<p>From Busan to Nice: Accelerating Ambition In the Race for Ratification of the High Seas Treaty</p>	<p>High Seas Alliance</p>
	<p>Accountability in Action at the 10th Our Ocean Conference: Progress on Commitments for Ocean and Fisheries Health</p>	<p>Oregon State University</p>
	<p>Marine Prosperity Areas: Integrating Conservation and Socio-Economic Well-Being for Ocean Sustainability</p>	<p>Scripps Institution of Oceanography</p>
	<p>Sustainable Ocean Initiative—15 years of Capacity-Building, Partnerships and Synergies to Support the Achievement of Global Biodiversity Targets in the Ocean</p>	<p>Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)</p>
	<p>Marine Spatial Planning for Growing Nature Capital : Advancing Blue Economy Co-location Solutions in EAP with lessons from ROK</p>	<p>World Bank Group</p>


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 <p>Climate Change</p>	Maritime Decarbonization Initiative for Asia and the Pacific	Asian Development Bank
	Ocean Literacy as a tool to drive ocean conservation actions	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO
	Roadmap for U.S.-Korea Green Shipping Corridor	Korean Register
	Melting North, Changing South: How Climate Impacts Connect the Arctic Ocean and Jeju Sea	Ocean Conservancy
	Forum on New Blue Carbon International Certification	Seoul National University Blue Carbon Research Center
	Innovative Actions to Reduce Climate Risk and Build Resilient Blue Economies in the Indo-Pacific	The Stimson Center
	Investing in Coral Reefs: Innovative Finance for a Sustainable Ocean Economy	UNDP
	Strategic and Convening roles and contributions of UNEP's Regional Sea Convention and Action Plans – addressing the triple planetary crises in the marine environment	UNEP COBSEA
	Exploring Ocean Iron Solutions for Marine CDR: An Information Exchange Event	Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution


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	Sustainable Global Ocean City Forum	Busan Metropolitan City
	Green and Digital Innovation in Shipbuilding, Shipping and finance	Greek Prime Minister Envoy
	Human Rights and the Ocean Economy	IUCN People and the Ocean Specialist Group, Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy & WWF
	Strategies for Expanding Ocean Satellite Accounts for the Scientific Assessment of the Ocean Economy	Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of the ROK
 <p>Blue Economy</p>	Global Ocean Leadership and Blue Finance	Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of the ROK & Korea Maritime Institute
	An Inclusive, sustainable and climate positive blue economy that contributes to Africa's transformation and growth	Ocean Climate Innovation Hub Kenya / Technical University of Mombasa
	From Beach to Boardroom: Building a Capital Market for the Ocean	Ocean Risk and Resilience Action Alliance
	The Blue Economy and Finance Forum (BEFF) : a UNOC Special Event on 7-8 June 2025 to mobilise financial resources for Ocean Health and a regenerative blue economy	Oceanographic Institute – Fundation Albert 1st, Prince of Monaco
	Unlocking Transformative Ocean Finance at Scale: Pre-UNOC High-Level Dialogue	United Nations Capital Development Fund
	Enhancing inclusive policymaking through participatory quantification of community dependence on marine ecosystems	World Resources Institute

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 <p>Digital Oceans</p>	Towards IPOS : Leveraging the power of AI to accelerate action for global Ocean targets	European Commission -DG MARE
	Autonomous Ships Seminar	Korea Autonomous Surface Ship Project Office
	Marine Digital Transformation	Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of the ROK & Busan Metropolitan City
	Smart Ocean Data Applications: Advancing Towards a Sustainable Future	National Academy of Marine Research
	Digital Seminar on Distant-Water Fisheries	Ocean Outcomes
	Empowering Citizens through Data Science for a Cleaner Ocean	OSEAN (Our Sea of East Asia Network)
	Global Collaboration through High-Resolution Ocean Modeling, Digital Oceans, and AI Techniques: Driving Societal, Economic, and Environmental Benefits	U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

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 Marine Pollution	Solutions to Stem Ocean Noise Pollution and Protect Marine Biodiversity	Government of Panama, Ministry of Environment consultant
	Action for Change! UNOC3 as a global milestone to accelerate action for the ocean	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica
	Our Commitments to Oceans : Proposal by Korean Civil Society Organizations	OOO CSO Network
	USAID, JICA and KOICA International Collaboration to Advance Effective Global Actions to Combat Marine Plastic Litter	U.S. Government - USAID
	Seminar on Ammonia as clean shipping fuel towards Shipping Decarbonization	Ulsan Port Authority
	Integrated Seminar on Marine Plastics	Ocean Conservancy

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 Maritime Security	Bridging maritime security and the blue economy	University of Copenhagen
	Seminar on the Law of the Sea	ROK NAVY, ICRC