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Dr. Cicin-Sain Co-Chair and Head of Secretariat, Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands said: *"National governments are the key actors and have the key responsibility for achieving sustainable development, but all other segments: international organizations, non-governmental organizations, scientific groups, industry, and the public, all play an essential role and are very much needed to advance the global oceans agenda."*

"Here we are again, reunited in even greater numbers, members and partners of the World Ocean Network, continuing to build our action plan so that the public can understand the stakes associated with the Ocean and take action".

Jean-Michel Cousteau /
Philippe Vallette

For more information visit the Meeting's website: www.4thinternationalmeetingwon.com

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5th Global Oceans Conference

The 5th Global Oceans Conference, which convened on May 3-7, 2010, at UNESCO in Paris, brought together over 850 experts from 80 countries representing all sectors of the global oceans community to advance the global oceans agenda on three major issues affecting the oceans: climate and oceans; loss of marine biodiversity; and improving governance.

The predominant assessment of the conference is that the various international commitments and targets agreed to at the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development and in other related fora, have not been met on a global basis.

Convinced of the need to make progress on climate and oceans, marine biodiversity loss, and the implementation of an integrated ecosystem approach, and in consideration of the need to build consensus on, and foster equity in the policy options among different countries, regions, and interests, the conference Co-Chairs: Dr. Biliiana Cicin-Sain, Ambassador Laurent Stefanini and Dr. Wendy Watson Wright put forth the following recommendations for consideration by national and international authorities:

- **Recommendation 1:** Initiate an ocean process within and outside the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) negotiating process.
- **Recommendation 2:** Within the 2010 International Year on Biodiversity, and the Convention for Biological Diversity process, develop the Nagoya Oceans Mandate providing for the renewal of the Jakarta mandate of marine and coastal biodiversity.
- **Recommendation 3:** Adequate and nested strategies at different scales (from local to global) must be developed for ecosystem-based ocean and coastal management at national and regional levels, and in areas beyond national jurisdiction.



4th International Meeting of World Ocean Network

The 4th International Meeting "Acting together for the future of the Blue Planet", in link with International Year of Biodiversity 2010, was held on May 9-12, 2010 at Nausicaá – National Sea Centre, Boulogne sur Mer, France.

It gathered 140 members and partners of the Network from 40 countries, in order to establish an action plan to mobilize the general public worldwide towards sustainable use of the oceans.

Among the remarkable events of this Meeting, can be stressed:

- The first **World Ocean Academy** on May 9: an opportunity to establish a common scientific basis for all participants through 15 talks organized in 5 major themes, all given by specialists and in a highly participative way.
- A workshop on **Marine Protected Areas**: MPAs obviously represent a major opportunity for the future of our Blue Planet.
- Workshops organized according to World Ocean Network **three targets** - youth, adults and organizations - in order to better fit each public's needs for communication, mobilization and action empowerment.
- Regional Workshops, strengthened by **exemplary actions** already undertaken, especially in Latin America and Oceania.
- Strategy workshops, set up in order to elaborate the **reorganization and reinforcement of the World Ocean Network's structure** so as to adapt to the important development of the association.





The Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2010.

On June 8, World Ocean Network representatives participated in the official inauguration that was held in UNESCO headquarters in Paris.

They presented their declarations by youth forums and parliaments for the ocean ([click here](#) to read the Declaration) and distributed the Passport of the Citizen of the Ocean to the attendees.

> For more information, visit the [IOC/UNESCO anniversary website](#).

World Oceans Day 2010

World Oceans Day is annually celebrated on 8 June. **The 2010 edition has been very successful!**



300 institutions in more than 40 countries have already reported their events: beach and riverbed clean ups, exhibits, art contests, debates, sustainable seafood promotion, concerts, marches, shows, marine sport activities, outdoor activities, etc.

Here are a few pictures among the many World Oceans Day celebrations!

> To read the general 2010 World Oceans Day program and report, visit World Ocean Network website [here](#) and The Ocean Project website [here](#).

> To share your own report of activities, please write to info@worldoceannetwork.org



Pro Delphinus - Peru



Aquarium de La Rochelle - France



Clean Beach—Mauritania



Coalición Costarricense por las Ballenas - Costa Rica



Pro Delphinus - Peru



Ville de Marseille - Sophie Guilmermain - France

Cap Rouge Day

Cap Rouge Day is an initiative of Lighthouse Foundation together with its partners the World Ocean Observatory and the World Ocean Network:

"Jaques Yves Cousteau was probably the single most influential ocean personality during the last 100 years bringing the wonders, mysteries and fascination of the marine environment to the attention of a broad, world wide public.

Today already a lot of the diversity depicted by Cousteau is gone.

So it is high time to act - individually and collectively - for the future of our blue planet. To make a first simple step we can do something, we can show that we care. We can wear a red cap, at least one day, at least at Captain Cousteau's birthday".



> For more information on the initiative or to post your picture to show that you too care for the Ocean and about the future, visit www.caprougeday.org

On World Ocean Network's call, several members and partners took part in the initiative.



Pro Delphinus - Peru



Nausicaa - France



Te mana o te moana - French Polynesia



A new World Ocean Network presentation document has been produced, in accordance to the orientations of the 4th International Meeting.

To download the presentation [click here](#).

Don't hesitate to use and diffuse it!

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