



2021
2030 United Nations Decade
of Ocean Science
for Sustainable Development

Monaco Explorations Decade Programme



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Lead Institution

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KEY PARTNERS

- Government of Monaco
- Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation
- Oceanographic Institute - Foundation Albert Ist, Prince of Monaco
- Scientific Centre of Monaco
- Yacht Club of Monaco

International partners to be determined for each expedition

DECADE CHALLENGES ADDRESSED

CHALLENGE 1: Understand and beat marine pollution

CHALLENGE 2: Protect and restore ecosystems and biodiversity

CHALLENGE 3: Sustainably feed the global population

CHALLENGE 4: Develop a sustainable and equitable ocean economy

CHALLENGE 5: Unlock ocean-based solutions to climate change

CHALLENGE 9: Skills, knowledge and technology for all

CHALLENGE 10: Change humanity's relationship with the ocean

OCEAN BASINS

North Atlantic Arctic Southern
South Pacific Indian



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Summary

Monaco Explorations is composed of collaborative international expeditions combining scientific research, public outreach and government cooperation. It will investigate selected marine areas worldwide with the following objectives:

- Understand through a multidisciplinary scientific approach the ecosystemic status and functioning of the area explored and to advise stakeholders through a transdisciplinary approach (sustainability science).
- Share the issues and knowledge with the greatest number of people through an ambitious outreach programme.
- Mobilize governments, through diplomatic action, by providing information and analyses to support the sustainable management of the selected marine areas.

Duration: 01/01/2021 - 31/12/2030

Priority Activities (first 2 years)

Planning and implementation of the Indian Ocean Expedition:

- Identification of and liaison with the stakeholders active in the area
- Scoping exercise to identify the relevant issues and potential partners
- Development and implementation of a political engagement plan
- Development and implementation of a scientific research plan
- Development and implementation of a communication plan
- Development and implementation of awareness and outreach plan
- Assessment of the outcomes

Preparation of the subsequent expedition

"Monaco Explorations are at the confluence of most of the themes which are dear to me and which in this respect resonate particularly in me. It is an adventure that also echoes the most beautiful traditions of the Principality, and is addressed to all humanity."

H.S.H. Albert II, Prince of Monaco

