

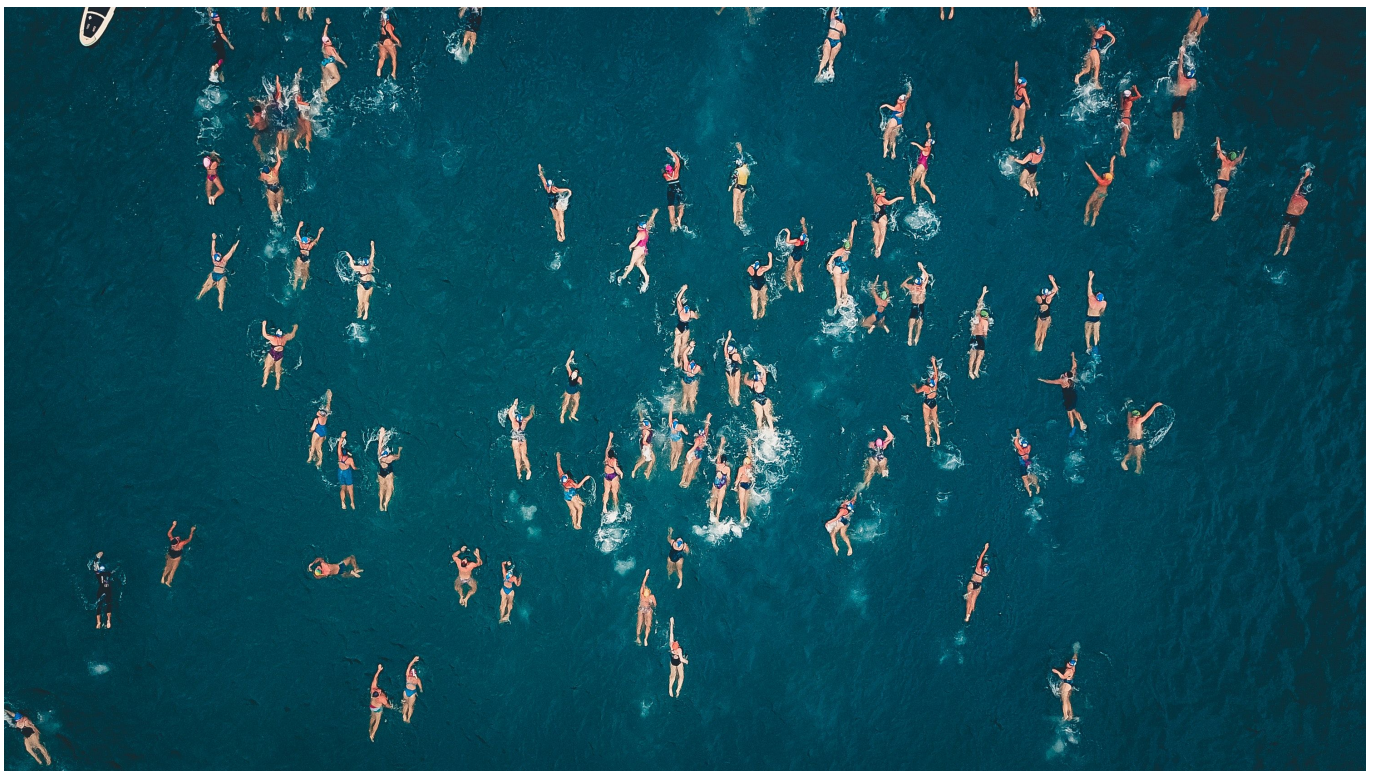


## MARITIME FORUM

# Working Groups of the EU4Ocean Platform

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*The EU4Ocean Platform members will work in Working Groups (WGs) to focus on particular themes/topics, including: Climate and Ocean, Food from the Ocean and Healthy and Clean Ocean.*



EU4Ocean platform members will contribute to at least one (or more) of the thematic Working Groups, with the main aims to:

- Exchange and map existing activities & resources for joint ocean literacy activities;
- Develop new partnerships and actions for ocean literacy, including scaling up activities and advocacy campaigns;
- Identify quick wins to bring existing ocean literacy activities together for EU4Ocean;
- Help identify other stakeholders that could contribute and grow the EU4Ocean platform membership, network and impact down to regional sea, national and local levels.

In September 2020, the Working Groups met for the first time in different online meetings. These first meetings served as a starting point for the WG members to find common ground, and start exploring ways of collaboration for a pan-European Ocean Literacy campaign. Some ideas for joint activities, target dates,

priorities and best outcomes of this WG and the activities that it could support were discussed. As common denominator, all members of the different Working Groups agreed that the strength of the group is the broad reach of audiences all the members can target. The Working Group members will try to explore the possibility to agree on a common theme/ message, and adapt that to their own existing target audiences. The evaluation of the success of an Ocean Literacy campaign was also highlighted as critical.

The current thematic Working Groups (WG) are:

## WG on Climate and Ocean

This Working Group is chaired by Tymon Zielinski, from the Institute of Oceanology Polish Academy of Sciences (IO PAN) in Poland. The first online meeting took place on 1 September 2020 (meeting report available [here](#) [2]).

## WG on Food from the Ocean

This Working Group is chaired by Gesche Krause, from the Alfred Wegener Institute Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research (AWI) in Germany. She replaced the first Working Group Chair, Jens Ambsdorf from the Lighthouse Foundation in Germany. The first online meeting took place on 3 September 2020 (meeting report available [here](#) [3]).

## WG on Healthy and Clean Ocean

This Working Group is chaired by Elisa Baldrighi, from the Ocean Literacy Italia network in Italy. The first online meeting took place on 4 September 2020 (meeting report is available [here](#) [4]).

In all Platform and WG activities, integration and collaboration will be promoted with the [Youth4Ocean Forum](#) [5] and [Network of European Blue Schools components](#) [6].

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