

### **Closing Workshop**

TA 6610 Marine Aquaculture, Reefs, Renewable Energy, and Ecotourism for Ecosystem Services (MARES) 20 November 2023



### Introduction of MARES Concept

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The New Ocean Economy

Asian Development Bank, 20 November 2023



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A compelling economic solution for climate change...

### **NLA International**

### **Our** Mission:

To champion the implementation of Blue Economies in order to create sustainable ocean environments for the people and economies that depend upon them.



### **Oceans in crisis?**

#### Overfishing drains oceans of its life

By Kim Pham Apr 12, 2021 St 0



#### Article Open Access Published: 29 October 2019

### New elevation data triple estimates of global vulnerability to sea-level rise and coastal flooding

#### Scott A. Kulp 🖂 & Benjamin H. Strauss

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In the 200-plus years since the industrial revolution began, the concentration of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) in the atmosphere has increased due to human actions. During this time, the pH of surface ocean waters has fallen by 0.1 pH units. This might not sound like much, but the pH scale is logarithmic, so this change represents approximately a 30 percent increase in acidity.

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Ocean Acidification – the threat and its status

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Dr Kirsten Isensee, Programme Specialist, IOC-UNESCO

## We are all islanders now...

'A Blue Economy not only empowers island states, it can empower us all.' *President James Michel* 



RETHINKING THE OCEANS Towards the Blue Economy James Alix Michel

'We believe that island societies are the flag bearers for human development.'



### **A SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY:**

Restores, protects and maintains the diversity, productivity, resilience, core functions, and intrinsic value of marine ecosystems — the natural capital upon which its prosperity depends. Is based on clean technologies, renewable energy, and circular material flows to secure economic and social stability over time, while keeping within the limits of one planet. Provides social and economic benefits for current and future generations by contributing to food security, poverty eradication, livelihoods, income, employment, health,safety, equity, and political stability.



### The Blue Economy – it's happening!





<sup>1</sup> Fisheries Statistics of the Philippines 2018-2020. Philippine Statistics Authority.
<sup>2</sup> Legal and Jurisdictional Guidebook for Coastal Resource Management in the Philippines. Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Department of Interior and Local Government, Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, and the Coastal Resource Management Project. 1997.

'Blue economy' contributed \$361 billion to GDP in 2020, Department of Commerce says

in Government, News, Bluewater

Guest Author: NOAA

"These numbers are stark proof of just how tied the blue economy is to the prosperity of the rest of our nation."

US Government spokeswoman



African Union African BE sectors and components: USD Jobs Date 296b 2019 49m 2030 405b 57m 2063 576b 78m **Africa Blue Economy Strategy** 

### **The Blue Economy – it's happening!**





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#### Zanzibar pulls 1.5 trillion to blue economy

FOR the past two years, the Zanzibar Investment Promotion Authority (ZIPA) has registered a total of 39 blue economyrelated projects, it has been learned.



Zanzibar hosted a webinar on developin government is committed to developing benefit from the blue economy. The blue enterprises and private enterprises to p projects.



The Urban West Region leads in the number of investments as seven islands are located within its administrative area, namely Bawe geared for \$30m investments, Changuu (\$26m), Kibandiko/Snake (\$10m) and Kwale (\$68m).

Other targeted islands are Pamunda 'A' (\$15m), Pamunda 'B' (\$15m) and Chapwani (\$20m), she stated.

Zanzibar's blue economy set to provide 9000 jobs with over 180 projects

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#### Project to enhance marine ecologies AUG protection in mainland, Zanzibar THE GUARE

THE US government through its agency for international development (USAID) is supporting the 'Heshimu Bahari' project that aims to strengthen marine ecological resilience and its resources.



AID'S HESHIMU BAHARI (RESPECT THE OCEAN) PROJECT. PHOTO: RAHN

The project is implemented in Tanga, Mtwara, Lindi, Dar es Salaam and Coast regions within mainland as well as Unguja and Pemba in Zanzibar. The project will cost \$25 million upon completion.

Marine and coastal ecosystems are home to a wide variety of coral reefs, seagrasses, open-ocean pelagic habitats, and mangroves.



#### \$54m project to create youth jobs in Zanzibar's blue economy

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an Development Bank Group and the Republic of Tanzania have the Skills Development for Youth Employability in Blue y project. This is a project that will enable Zanzibari youth to find ng maritime and other blue economy jobs.

### Blue economy can only thrive with joined-up action, say experts

O8 September 2020 News

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Countrywide policies that cut across all sectors are critical for the success of ocean-based economies in the Commonwealth.

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"Sustainable blue economy requires bringing together various sub-sectors to work in an integrated way in order to achieve effectiveness and efficiency in delivery of service to the people..."



### MARES – The New Ocean Economy



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# **MARES – principles in action**





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- Floating solar renewable energy
- Using MRE to regenerate coral reefs
- Next generation marine aquaculture
- Green marine hydrogen
- Rigs to reefs for ocean regeneration

### ADB Data Room - MARES

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### A long-term Blue Economy programme



### Scalable, circular, regenerative

Linear, extractive & unsustainable

## Marine Renewable Energy is the catalyst



#### Harnessing the Power of the Ocean Can Help Save the Planet, According to UK Research Group

Wednesday, 22 December 2021

Our oceans have become overrun by the climate crisis.



Sea levels are rising, coral reefs are bleaching dramatically and overfishing is rampant, jeopardizing marine life and ocean health. Our oceans are a materials provider and have the capability to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels for energy. They are the world's largest untapped source of renewable energy, can store heat and regulate the Earth's climate. In time for post-COP26 conversations on climate targets, UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) has produced an 'Oceans For Good' infographic illustrating the many benefits of our blue planet.



50-60% of the economic benefit of wave energy is expected to be generated in coastal areas, providing jobs and growth for coastal communities
15% of the UK's current electricity demand could be delivered by wave energy

 30GW of offshore wind capacity could be installed in the UK by 2030

3.5 billion people depend on the ocean as their primary source of food

### Wave energy: can ocean power solve the global energy crisis?

WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM

Mar 22, 2022

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Ocean Water Energy can Change the World



People are looking for diverse sources of renewable energy to reduce air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions, and fossil fuel use. Sun and wind energy are getting more popular, but has anyone heard of sea-produced energy?

Often the term 'renewable energy' brings to mind solar panels, wind turbines or even geothermal heat. But, they have several drawbacks and are not always as efficient as the ocean can be. The sun, for example, only shines during the day, and even the greatest wind turbine cannot function without wind. With these sources, it is practically impossible to save energy for later. There are only a few areas in the world where the wind produces electricity all the time.

The solution is the ocean, which covers 70% of the earth's surface. It is one of the most abundant renewable energy sources on the planet. Single wave's energy can power an electric vehicle for hundreds of kilometres and the ocean has the potential to power the entire world twice over.

'If it were to reach its peak potential, offshore wind production could generate more than 120,000 GW (11 times the world's estimated electricity demand in 2040).'



Drawn using Data from World Ocean Atlas 2009 (WOA2009)



Potential 💥 offshore energy





### We need to scale...



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"Oceans contain vast renewable energy potential, theoretically equivalent to more than double the world's current electricity demand." International Renewable Energy Agency, 2020



Source: International Energy Agency Ocean Power report, Oct 2022



# **MRE options/indicative estimates**

Technology	Potential [Theoretical] Capacity (GW)	Capital Cost (Million \$/MW)	Levelized Cost of Energy (\$/kWh)	LCOH (based on LCOE) (\$/kg)
Marine Solar	2,290.77 – 22,907.66 <sup>(a)(b)(c)</sup>	\$1.50 - \$1.88	\$0.094 - \$0.134	7.81 - 11.16
Wave	0.037 – 0.605 <sup>(a)(b)(c)(d)(e)</sup>	\$2.7 - \$9.1	\$0.066 - \$0.866	5.46 - 72.14
OTEC	12.83 – 128.28 <sup>(a)(b)(c)</sup>	\$3.00* - \$13.00	\$0.021 - \$0.091	1.75 - 7.58
Offshore Wind	4,982.03 – 49,820.27 <sup>(a)(b)(c)</sup>	\$3.00 - \$4.00	\$0.069 - \$0.091	5.71 - 7.61
Marine Bioenergy	4.58 – 45.76 <sup>(a)(b)(c)</sup>	\$3.50 - \$4.50	\$0.040 - \$0.051	3.33 - 4.28
Tidal/Current	67.35 – 673.49 <sup>(a)(b)(c)</sup>	\$3.30 - \$5.60	\$0.377 - \$1.279	31.39 - 106.54
Salinity Gradient <sup>(j)</sup>	No data	\$27.50 - \$35.00	No data	No data

\* Low CapEx for 50MW Floating OTEC . May not be representative but captured for reference, from:

Straatman et al., A new hybrid ocean thermal energy conversion-Offshore solar pond (OTEC-OSP) design: a cost optimization approach. Sol Energy 2008

# **MARES** – integrated planning is key

Marine Spatial Planni the Sustainable Blue Economy **Policy Brief** 





MSP as a booster for Blue Economy Ensuring a coherent planning across

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the Western Mediterranean region

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# MARES outputs

- The Ocean Energy Economy Handbook

   a multifunctional approach
- The potential of renewable energy in Palau and RMI
- The feasibility of the MARES approach and MRE in the Philippines
- ADB Data Room webinars and briefings
- High Level Investor Forum KL, Feb 23



### THE OCEAN-ENERGY ECONOMY

A MULTIFUNCTIONAL APPROACH OCTOBER 2023

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4 January 2022	Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) in Hawaii and Beyond Richard Argall is an expert in ocean energy and marine renewables works on Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) projects for Makai Ocean Energy Division
27 January 2022	Using Marine Renewable Energy for Just Transition to a Regenerative Blue Economy Humanity is becoming increasingly aware of the challenges to the health of our Oceans. Ocean Acidification is being driven by excess carbon saturation
5 May 2022	Paddling to Create Cultured Reefs for New Habitats and Coastal Protection Dr. Will Bateman, CEO of CCell Renewable UK, presented the unique paddle technology to capture Marine Renewable energy to power coastal protection by

# To recap

We must move from 'take, make and dispose' to regenerative, circular, multifunction Blue Economies built on renewable energy.

The technologies exist; they have been piloted and proven; they must be scaled to achieve the MARES vision. This is possible with an ambitious approach to integrated planning and investment in our sea spaces. With more than 130 participants, 28 experts 5 developing member countries 4 plenaries 18 countries 8 project pitches from 6 countries ADB

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I believe there will be various low carbon pathways.



Anything that we do at sea should be done in a regenerative way.

We don't have five oceans and seven seas. We have one ocean and it's all interlinked. We all share the same blue economy.

**Nick Lambert** 

Founder NLA International Ltd

# **MARES 2.0?**

Eight project pitches were presented and received coaching and mentoring from experts.



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ADB challenged the participants to bring forward the MARES approach to its developing member countries.

This means that the ideas, innovations,

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