

# INVITING ALL MIRANDA HOUSE STUDENTS FOR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION FOR THE CAUSE OF WORLD'S OCEANS AND BEING A PART OF EPOCHAL EVENTS

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**Re: Invitation to co-organise Ocean Citizen Forum by the youth in context to the UN Ocean Conference 2025**

Dear Prof. Priyanka Puri,

We are pleased to invite you to co-organise the Citizen of the Ocean – A Youth-Led Forum to be held in 2024 and 2025. The Forum is coordinated by Nausicaá, Centre National de la Mer in France. It will assemble young people 18-30 years old from all over the world to prepare for the United Nations Ocean Conference in 2025 and other international events where they will present the results of their work and advocate for the inclusion of the youth vision in international events and negotiations. The youth participation is free of charge.

The Citizen of the Ocean – A Youth-Led Forum will address the five most popular challenges selected by the youth from the Ocean Decade Challenges of the United Nations Organisation:

- Understand and beat marine pollution from source to sea;
- Protect and restore marine ecosystems and biodiversity;
- Sustainably feed the global population;
- Develop a sustainable and equitable ocean economy;
- Unlock ocean-based solutions to climate change;
- Increase community resilience to ocean hazards;
- Skills, knowledge, and technology for all;
- Change humanity's relationship with the ocean;
- Ensure sustainability of the Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction and the Deep Sea.



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In the framework of these challenges, the participants will list their priorities and innovative ocean-based solutions and design user content for the Ocean Citizen app.

The co-organisation of the Citizen of the Ocean – A Youth-Led Forum will include:

1. Promotion of the call for young people and their recruitment to complete the application form in spring 2024,
2. Selection of the most motivated young people to participate in five thematic workshops in 2024,
3. Organisation of five thematic workshops and reporting of their results in 2024,
4. Selection of the most motivated participants to attend the World Ocean Citizen Summit in Boulogne Sur Mer and the UN Ocean conference in Nice, France in 2025.

The communication package, the workshop methodology, and the travel and subsistence costs of young people selected to come to France will be provided by Nausicaá.

You may find details about the Citizen of the Ocean – A Youth-Led Forum at [https://maritime-forum.ec.europa.eu/citizen-ocean-youth-led-world-forum\\_en](https://maritime-forum.ec.europa.eu/citizen-ocean-youth-led-world-forum_en) and in the attached document: Y4O Infographic.

We will be honoured by your participation, which will inspire young people all over the world for the cause of youth advocacy for ocean sustainability. As the key researcher dealing with various aspects of the marine ecosystem in India, your contribution will be vital to the outcomes of this project.

We very much look forward to hearing from you and hope that you will be willing to accept our invitation.

Yours sincerely,

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Today, young people engage with climate, biodiversity, science and policy in a way that previous generations have not. As world leaders and other stakeholders assemble for the United Nations conferences, an emerging generation of young ocean / climate / environment advocates would like to participate in the international negotiations and in the decisions to be taken for the future they will live in. In order to respond to the young people's desire to engage, we are organising a youth-led intergenerational forum to help cohesion between the generations and **BETTER INVOLVE YOUNG PEOPLE IN INTERNATIONAL PROCESSES.**

### 1 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

An open call for applications will be launched online. We look for ocean enthusiasts and champions 18-30 y.o. (activists, scientists, artists, educators, entrepreneurs, sportspeople...) from all over the world to participate in regional workshops in 2024, Ocean Citizen Summit in 2025, and prepare for the United Nations Ocean Conference in 2025 and other international events.

### 3 KICK-OFF & TRAINING

The Forum will be launched with an online kick-off meeting scheduled in spring 2024 for selected youth participants and regional focal points responsible for the workshops. They will be trained in common methodology to foster collective intelligence and cocreation in the Ocean Citizen Youth-led Forum.

### 5 OCEAN CITIZEN SUMMIT

60 most motivated workshop participants will be selected for the Summit at Nausicaà in France. They will finalise the Ocean Citizen Charter, test and validate the Ocean Citizen app. They will be trained in advocacy and communications and propose communication actions to promote the app and the charter at the United Nations Ocean Conference and other international events.

MARCH 2024

APRIL 2024

MARCH 2025

## Citizens of the Ocean A YOUTH-LED WORLD FORUM

APRIL 2024

MAY 2024 - JAN. 2025

JUNE 2025

### 2 SELECTION

Applicants will be evaluated in terms of their age eligibility, motivation, commitment, availability. 100 participants from all continents will be chosen for the Citizen of the Ocean Youth-led Forum. The selection process will ensure inclusion and diversity of participants in terms of occupation, residence, nationality, field and levels of education, interests, and gender.

### 4 24H FOR THE OCEAN 5 ROUNDS OF REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

The workshops will address the Ocean Decade Challenges of the United Nations Organisation. Participants will list their priorities for sustainable ocean and make an inventory of innovative ocean-based solutions for the Ocean Citizen Charter and user content of the Ocean Citizen app. The workshops will be live streamed from Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe and Oceania.

### 6 YOUTH & OCEAN ADVOCACY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

10 to 20 most committed workshop and Summit participants will be designated to attend the 3rd United Nations Ocean Conference in Nice, France. They will host side events to promote the results of their work, advocate and engage with stakeholders.



Dear Prof. Priyanka Puri,

Please find here attached the invitation to participate in the organisation of the Citizen of the Ocean youth-led world forum in context to the UN Ocean Conference 2025.

We will be honoured if you accept the invitation. Your participation will inspire young people all over the world for the cause of youth advocacy for ocean sustainability. As the key researcher dealing with various aspects of the marine ecosystem in India, your contribution will be vital to the outcomes of this project.

The Citizen of the Ocean youth-led world forum in 2024-2025 aims at:

- Drawing up youth priorities for sustainable and equitable ocean,
- Making an inventory of effective and innovative ocean-based solutions to Ocean Decade challenges,
- Designing the content of the Ocean Citizen networking tool for mobilising a community of practice.

To achieve this, we plan for:

- Five rounds of online regional workshops in 2024,
- Ocean Citizen Summit in France in spring 2025,
- Youth advocacy during international events (in particular the UN Ocean Conference 2025).

We have just launched the call to recruit participants, and we would be grateful if you could help us to spread the word to help mobilise young people in India and Asia: on your social media, in your newsletters and other platforms that you use to communicate with your partners and professional networks.

Facebook: <https://fb.watch/r3JQSA2eTX/>

Twitter/X: [https://x.com/WON\\_ROM/status/1772916597176344620?s=20](https://x.com/WON_ROM/status/1772916597176344620?s=20)

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7178671643018330112>

Registration form: <https://forms.office.com/e/3ianJUz2aH>

Web: [https://maritime-forum.ec.europa.eu/citizen-ocean-youth-led-world-forum\\_en](https://maritime-forum.ec.europa.eu/citizen-ocean-youth-led-world-forum_en)

Feel free to use the communication materials here attached.

We would be extremely grateful if we could quote your institution as a supporting organisation and use your logo in our communication material.

Please let me know whether this could be possible.

We can set up a visio call to discuss with you which parts in the organisation of the Citizen of the Ocean youth-led forum you would be willing to cooperate on.

We look forward to collaborating with you.

Kind regards,

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