



Welcome to the first official newsletter of the Sustainable Ocean Community!

The Sustainable Ocean Community stems from the need to address key issues and challenges related to ocean health and sustainability and is part of the 'Pathways to Sustainability' strategic theme. We are an inclusive and inspiring platform where scholars and stakeholders from a broad range of disciplines meet to facilitate innovative transdisciplinary research and education. If you are interested in receiving regular newsletters and event invitations and would like to participate in ongoing projects, or propose new ideas, we warmly welcome you to join our community.

## Who are we?

*We would like to introduce you to the organizational team behind our community which consists of a scientific advisory board (the "Troika") and two managers.*



## Upcoming Events

### **March 16**    **PtS Kickstarter event**

During this event interdisciplinary groups, represented by at least three disciplines, can pitch their project ideas with the goal of later applying for an [Incubator Grant](#). The pitches are meant to enthuse others to engage with the project idea and to enrich it by adding their expertise and perspectives.

### **April 4**    **Pathways to Sustainability Conference 2023**

Imagine you are in 2060. The planet is a completely different place compared to the past, the 2020s. Join the **breakout session on 'Whose ocean – different voices heard'**, where artistic, academic and activist practitioners are invited to think toward social and planetary justice.

### **May 17**    **Sustainability dialogue on Ocean Literacy**

Stay tuned for topic, speakers and location for this interactive discussion with drinks. Register to our community if you would like to receive the event invitation.

### **June 8**    **Sustainable Ocean kick-off event**

World Ocean Day. Stay tuned! Join us on World Ocean Day to get to know the community and collectively define the most pressing challenges and key issues in ocean health and sustainability.

## Opportunities

- Call for pitches – deadline Feb 28
- Contact us if you would like to contribute to the NRC climate blogs
- Funding opportunities – The Flotilla Foundation

### About this newsletter

*The Sustainable Ocean Community is an initiative born out of the imperative to tackle critical challenges in ocean sustainability. Aligned with Utrecht University's 'Pathways to Sustainability' strategic theme and formed in collaboration with NIOZ, we strive to be an inclusive, diverse, and inspirational national platform. Our mission is to unite scholars and stakeholders across disciplines to craft and implement regional solutions for urgent global ocean and sustainability issues.*

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