The road to Paris 2015 - In honour of the United Nations World Oceans Day, celebrated each year on 8 June, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (IOC-UNESCO) will organize a full day dedicated to the ocean and its link to the climate system. This event will lead up to the 2015 Paris Climate Conference (COP21).

With the help of scientific workshops, plenary sessions, and exhibitions, this day will bring together scientists, political decision-makers, civil society and youth to identify, through dialogue, promising ocean-sensitive actions and strategies to mitigate climate change and its socioeconomic impacts.

At the end of the day, joint action-oriented recommendations will be presented to the heads of state and United Nations representatives present on this occasion, including His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco, the French Minister of Foreign Affairs Laurent Fabius and high representatives of small island states, namely Tommy Remengesau, President of Palau and James Michel, President of the Seychelles. The messages will underline the ocean’s essential role for the survival of our planet and how climate change is threatening this role, with potentially disastrous consequences.

Key recommendations from World Oceans Day will be transmitted to the negotiating parties, experts and observers attending the Bonn Climate Change Conference in June, in preparation of COP21. More details
On June 8th, the Association Larimar will propose several animations that will raise general public and children awareness about the protection of the marine environment. Therefore, the World Ocean Day will be dedicated to the children of the Siddi Bel Abbés lake: aquatic sport competitions, exhibitions, artistic animations, conferences, demonstration on freshwater fish preparation in collaboration with the Fish Direction and in the presence of the Prefect of the city.

The Caravan “The Algerian step” of the expedition “Healthy Ocean, healthy planet” From August 1st until September 15th, 2015, this caravan, which theme is “Healthy Ocean, Healthy planet”, will be present around the Algerian harbours and beaches, in order to inform on the impact of microplastic pollution on the Mediterranean Sea, to extend the network of ambassador centres of the World Ocean Network, and to integrate systematically the items of divers formation charter. Communication about the Citizenship and delivery of passports of the Citizen of the Ocean, printed for the first time in Algeria

During this day, the staff and the participants will be able to clean the Andrew beach, which is situated close to the club.

The Barracuda Diving Club’s staff and the Tourism Office of the city, with the assistance of the Club’s biologists, will give information on the importance of preserving the biodiversity of the Ocean, as well as on the different types of waste and their impact on the environment.

The president of the Club will officially present and sign the eco-diving charter. This charter was drawn up with the ADIP and aims to offer the participants a great advantage for future diving sessions and underwater walks. Adults and children also have the opportunity to make their first diving and passports of the Citizen of the Ocean will be delivered to the participants.
Morocco

The Moroccan Network of Marine Sciences and Engineering (MARSIMER) and the Faculty of Sciences, University of Mohammed V Rabat – Rabat Morocco

The Moroccan Network of Marine Sciences and Engineering (MARSIMER) and the Faculty of Sciences, University of Mohammed V Rabat organise the national workshop : “Together for an integrated management of Moroccan marine and coastal areas” on June 6, 2015, at Salle des Actes, Faculty of Sciences of Rabat.

Context :
- Celebration of the World Ocean Day 2015 with the themes “Healthy Ocean, healthy planet” and “Healthy Ocean, Protected Climate”
- Celebration of the World Environment Day 2015 with the theme “Seven billion dreams. Only one planet. Let’s consume with moderation”.
- 20th anniversary of the entry into force of the International Convention on Marine Law.
- World year of the evaluation for a fair and sustainable human development.
- Contribution to the process of sustainable development carried out by Morocco.

Objectives :
- Report on progress about knowledge of Moroccan marine and coastal areas.
- Report on the preparation to risks management.
- Strategy, action plans and cooperation to implement for an integrated management of Moroccan marine and coastal areas.

Mauritania

NGO Clean Beach – Tevragh Zeina, Mauritania (June 8th, 2015)

Commemoration Day’s Official Celebration:
- Speech sharing
- Walk for the Ocean
- People awareness about the impact of trash on organisms health and on coastal and marine environment – a communication is planned (poster designing and billposting on public structures, public transports, schools, etc..., banners billposting and leaflets delivery)
- Beach Cleaning
SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina

Temaikén – Buenos aires, Argentina
Programme “Buceador Ambientalista” and much more activities.

CeDePesca – Mar del Plata, Argentina
World Ocean Day is celebrated in October in Mar del Plata, with the traditional beach cleaning: Cleanup2015

Brasil

Tamar – Florianópolis, Brasil
Celebration of the Environment week, from June 1st to 7th, World Ocean Day on June 8th and International Day of the marine turtle on June 16th.

Acuario de Ubatuba – Ubatuba, Brasil
Celebration of the Ocean week from May 30th to June 7th.

Chile

Centro AquaSendas – Concepción, Chile
Organisation of the 8th edition of the Ocean Educative Festival, with other institutions of the society.

Cuba

Acuario Nacional de Cuba, Cuba
Organisation of the Children Scientific Day during the World Ocean Day.

Equator

CI-Ecuador and Secretaría Técnica del Mar, Manta
On World Ocean Day, the two associations presented the programme “Building the Maritime Equator of the Future”.

Mexico

Acuario de Mazatlán, Mazatlán
The Mazatlan aquarium joined celebrations with its school programme, with the participation of pupils of 2nd to 6th primary to a talk on ocean and its species preservation.

Peru

Planeta Océano y ConserMar – Callao, Peru
World Ocean Day on June 8th: Theatrical performance, Puppets workshop, marine food tasting and educative displays

ProDelphinus – Pucusana, Chiclayo y Sechura, Peru
Talks, workshops, and tours were performed to raise high schools awareness on ocean preservation.
World Ocean Culture & Education Action Network – in Okinawa, Japan

World Ocean Day 2015 is the pre-launch of World O.C.E.A.N.’s http://www.iloveokinawa.org Campaigns and Clean Beach Clubs International. Other “Island Connections” are planned in Hawaii, in Canarias and in Cuba. A UNESCO 2015 Global Action Programme (GAP) Commitment on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) was launched 2014 UNESCO World Conference in Nagoya. GAP Launch Commitment

Since 1992, as the I Love Okinawa Campaign®, we have designated every third Sunday of the month as “Beach Cleanup Day”. From June 8th this year, we would like to focus on having the third Sunday of the month as “SAVE OURA BAY DAY” and encourage everyone to visit or do an OCEAN ACTION for BLUE PEACE.

Okinawa International Clean Beach Club (OICBC)

Saturday June 6, World Environment Day
8:00 - 9:00 - Cape Maeda, Jyane (Dugong Lookout) Beach “Survey”
Tomigusuku City Sun Sun Beach OPENING CEREMONY for the Okinawa Clean Coast Network (OCCN) For the past several years except last year, campaign kicked off sounding off the SHELL HORN. http://blog.canpan.info/occn/
Henoko Beach Survey, 14:00 - 14 : 45, Nago City
Sedake,Beach Survey, 15:00 - 16:00, Nago City

Sunday June 7 - World Oceans Day Cleanup
Cape Maeda Underwater (Appeal to Divers). All Day “One piece for Blue Peace”
Maeda Flats Beach Survey 08:00 – 09:00.
9:00 - 11:00 Coconut Moon-Malibu Beach, Lunch at Malibu or Coconut Moon

Monday June 8 - World Oceans Day
6:00 - 7:00 Beach Cleanup
Henoko Beach 18:00 - 19:00 Sunset Cleanup

Sunday June 21
Part One, 6:00 - 7:00
Breakfast at Joyful
Part Two, 9:00 - 11:00
Lunch at Seaside.

Sunday July 19
overnight camp Sedake, 9:30 - 11:30

July 20th
Sunrise Cleanup, 6:00 - 8:30
Belgium

Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Brussels, Belgium (June 7th)

Celebration of World Ocean Day at the Museum on Sunday 7 June 2015
Free entrance and free activities for everyone:
- Follow a live autopsy of a stranded porpoise and seal
- Gather information on oceanographic research
- Skype with our research vessel RV Belgica in the Atlantic ocean
- Eat and drink ocean literacy in our cafeteria
- Enjoy dancers and garbage artists
- Follow a guided tour around our ocean treasures
- Participate in workshops on the ocean
- Watch a movie

Your ocean, your future!

Spain

Association Promemar - (June 7th)

World Ocean Day at Las Teresitas (June 7th) from 10am to 14pm.
Activities: Beach cleaning on the ground and underwater at Las Teresitas beach. Informative stands, workshops and release of turtles from the CRFS “La Tahonilla” (12am)

Partners associated: Oficina de la Participación y el Voluntariado Ambientales, Ecoembes, Coordinadora de Discapacitados de Canarias, Fundación Neotrópico, Fundación La Tirajala, Fundación Santa Cruz Sostenible, Agrupación de Protección Civil de Santa Cruz, Club de Buceo: Caretta Diver y Tenerife Sub. And the companies Cooperativa Fast y Donnut.

Ayuntamiento del Puerto de la Cruz (June 8th)

Oficina de la Participación y el Voluntariado Ambientales (June 8th)

IES Tomás Iriarte – (June 8th)

AMPA Tomás Iriarte – (June 8th)

World Ocean Day at El Puerto de la Cruz (June 8th) from 10am to 12am.
Activities: Beach cleaning and informative stands

Partners associated: Asociación Promemar, Ecooceanos, Fundación Neotrópico, La Marejada Surf, Protección Civil Puerto de la Cruz, Asociación Stop Delfinarios en Canarias, Cooperativa Fast.

Metropolitan France and French Overseas Territories

Charente Maritime

E.C.O.L.E de la mer– La Rochelle

L'E.C.O.L.E de la mer and its partners organise a day of animations and discover on Monday 8 June 2015. Exhibitions, visits of sites, meeting with an expert...
Themes: Ecology, sustainable development, recycling, biodiversity (close Atlantic biodiversity, trophic networks), sustainable fishing, seasonal products, eco-citizenship (to adopt a responsible behaviour)
Know more.

Partners associated to the event: CDA La Rochelle, Musée Maritime de La Rochelle, club UNESCO La Rochelle, Nature Environnement 17, LPO 17, Université La Rochelle UME LIENSs CNRS, Imprimerie rochelaise, Museum d'Histoire Naturelle de La Rochelle, syndicat mixte du port de pêche de La Rochelle, port de plaisance de La Rochelle, Léa Nature, 1% pour la planète, région Poitou-Charentes.

Ile de France

Fondation Maud Fontenoy, Paris

Every year, the Maud Fontenoy Foundation suggests to teachers and their students to take-up a challenge in order to protect the Oceans, in addition to its educative kit “100% OCEAN”. The educative kit, which was elaborated with the Ministry of National Education, as well as the challenge, are the core business of the Foundation. They allow to know more about the Oceans and to preserve them, and thus understand the essential link between Nature and Man. The educative kit communicates key values to preserve the Oceans. It is a tool for being aware > educating > acting. This tool is implemented in collaboration with our experts committee and our scientific partners, and it is distributed for free in French and Overseas Territories schools. On the occasion of the COP21 (conference on Climate, Paris, 2015), the citizens are invited to mobilise and participate to the transformation of our society. The Ocean is at the heart of environmental issues related to climate changes.
On this occasion, the Maud Fontenoy Foundation has set up this year a great national challenge on “Climate change, it is high time to act!” Oceans are a source of extraordinary solutions to help Men facing their present and turn towards the future.

This challenge encourages the students to keep on learning on what they have already seen over the year, thanks to the educative kit “100% OCEAN”. It allows to forgather, to learn working together and to link all the studied subjects by working together on a common project. Therefore, the aim is to federate the students, create enthusiasm and positive dynamic. This year, about 1500 classes took up the challenge! 10 classes were promoted winners.

The Maud Fontenoy Foundation organised an award ceremony last June 5 in order to congratulate and reward the great work of these students. This event brought together 800 students who came from all over France in the prestigious Odeon Theater in Paris. The students had the opportunity to discuss with Maud Fontenoy and her guests, especially Bertrand Piccard and Claudie Haigneré, on environmental issues, and on the necessity to preserve the Oceans in particular.

Aquarium de la Porte Dorée, Paris

Exhibition: Climate is changing, so is the Ocean

Over the 20 posters that are presented, this exhibition (May 22 – October 18, 2015) allows the public to discover Ifremer’s research related to climate change. This exhibition has been organised on the occasion of the conference on climate change, which will take place in Paris in December 2015: COP21

Under the COP21, Ifremer wanted to expose its research on links between Ocean and climate to the public. This exhibition is made of 20 pictures that present the work of the researchers on the Ocean, data processing, and impacts of global warming on water, marine species and coastlines. Ifremer’s research neither concern every issue or every geographical area of our planet. However, they contribute to the understanding of global warming on Oceans.

Accompanying documents
Documents allow to go more in details on the notions mentioned on panels. They can bring more information, as well as suggestions of work with students.

Presentation
Since its inauguration in 1931, l’Aquarium tropical de la Porte Dorée has been willing to present aquatic fauna from tropical regions. For more than 80 years, the collections which are presented in the different aquaria have aimed to raise awareness among visitors on aquatic world’s wealth and diversity, as well as on its importance. Of course, the educative message is changing according to the increase of scientific, technic and environmental knowledge on this specific environment. The collection, which is made of around 5000 animals and 300 species, is constantly evolving to illustrate the themes developed in the Aquarium.

- Since 1931, l’Aquarium tropical de la Porte Dorée has never been closed (except on Mondays, which are the weekly close day).
- The Aquarium presents tropical aquatic fauna and flora (fresh water and sea water).
- Figures: about 5000 animals, 300 species, 84 presentation aquaria (between 50 liters and 16 cubic meters), global volume of 350 000 liters of which 20% are sea water.

Associated partners
Ifremer

Bretagne

Ifremer - Brest, 6 juin au 15 juillet 2015

It is World Ocean Day. “Climate is changing, so is the Ocean”. In Brest, discover the Ifremer’s traveling exhibition on Océanopolis grids!

The exhibition “Climate is changing, the Ocean too” is made of 20 panels which describe links between Ocean and Climate, through Ifremer’s research. A picture and a short text per panel allow to better understand the contribution of Ifremer to the study on climate change and its consequences on Oceans and coasts.

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More informations

Mer Fragile and Grand Aquarium de Saint Malo – Saint-Malo, June 8th

World Ocean Day, June 8th, 2015
Four fun and educational 30-minute workshops will be held from 14 pm to 16 pm at Plage de l’Eventail in Saint-Malo, in front of the National Fort.
1- Water is life: understand the importance of the aquatic environment with notions like food chains and pollution.
Game: raising awareness on our wastes' impact on aquatic environments by placing them on a large-scaled biodegration ladder.
2- Save sharks: learn about this mythical animal, its importance on marine ecosystem balance and the risks linked to its “future” extinction.
Game: recognising the different shark species, learning their sensorial particularities, their food practices and their different modes of reproduction.
3- Responsible consumption: learn how to fish in an eco-citizen way
Game: guessing the fishing size of animals through life-size pictures, then learning how to better consume by respecting fishing periods and quotas.
4- Tides phenomenon: discover and understand the phenomenon of tides. Know the foreshore’s animals and their adaptation when the sea withdraws.
Game: mime stars to understand tides phenomenon and find out how the foreshore’s animals adapt their living place.

Nord-Pas-de-Calais

Grand Port Maritime de Dunkerque, Dunkerque (June 8th, 2015)

Exhibition on Oceans in GPMD building. Animations will be held inside. Discover the Grand Port Maritime de Dunkerque through a guided tour of the harbour. You will enjoy a two-hour visit in bus during which a member of GPMD will present the site. It will allow you to learn about the alternative solutions, suggested by the harbour actors, which aim to consider the global warming or biodiversity in their activities. You can also discover harbour’s waste repurposing technics, as well as steps of circular economy which are implemented in the harbour. An enriching visit that you should not miss!
This animation is for persons aged 12 and over. Partners associated to the event: Natura 2000, Bancs des Flandres.

**World Ocean Network** in Nord-Pas de Calais

Consult on the programme: trips on the shore or on water, beach cleaning, tide marks, plankton and even seals discovering. Discussions, seafood tasting, creative workshop to understand that ocean is a significant part of our culture.

**Association Fort de la Crèche, Wimereux (June 7th, 2015)**

L'association Fort de la Crèche organise sa sixième « Vigilance bleue » le dimanche 7 juin, dans le cadre de la journée mondiale de l'Océan. C'est l'occasion de prendre de la hauteur pour observer du fort de la Crèche, la mer et le littoral avec des jumelles de collection d'exception, de s'informer sur les bienfaits de l'Océan, de se distraire, de se restaurer...

Cette journée s’inscrit dans la thématique proposée cette année par le Réseau Océan Mondial et The Ocean Project : « Océan sain, planète saine ». Elle est soutenue par le Conservatoire du littoral qui fête cette année ses 40 ans et par la ville de Wimereux.

Animations gratuites avec au programme :

- Observation du Détroit avec les jumelles d’exception de Bruno, membre de l’AFLC, pour le simple plaisir des yeux ou pour en savoir plus ! Utiliser de matériel d’autrefois pour s’émerveiller aujourd’hui, comprendre, réfléchir...
- Stands et expositions avec la participation d’associations ou d’organismes engagés dans la préservation de l’environnement : « 40 ans de protection du littoral » par le Conservatoire du littoral, Nature libre, programme « Life + pêche à pied de loisir » par le Parc naturel marin des estuaires picards et de la mer Opale...
- Exposition de photos et de peintures en lien avec la mer : Emmanuel Deparis, Pixel Opale, La Palette outreloise, Pastel d’Opale et « peintres sur le motif » avec des artistes sur le terrain avec leur chevalet...
- Jeux et autres animations sur le thème de la mer : Film "Océan Plastique" par Ecover, Jeu "Enquête sur la laisse de mer" par Nature libre, Jeu "La pêche aux moules" par le parc marin des estuaires picards et mer d’Opale, Jeunes marins du Boulonnais...
- Chants, danses, saynètes : danses bretonnes par le Cercle celtique An’Alarch, « Ballet bleu » par Chore’Art ballet, saynète " les frères Créchon" par le Théâtre de la Casa, chants de marins par les Vareuses porteloises...
- Les hommes et la mer au 19ème siècle témoignage des patrimoines militaire et balnéaire de Wimereux par l’Association Fort de la Crèche, et exposition « Les bienfaits de la mer dès le 19ème siècle les hôpitaux berckois au début du siècle dernier par MM. Dollé et Quettier de la Société d’histoire des hôpitaux de Berck...
- Dégustation de produits de la mer avec Les Paniers de la mer (1 assiette + 1 boisson : 4 €. 1 part de tarte papin : 1€50) et information Mr Goodfish.
- Visite guidée du fort, de la pierre au béton à 10h et à 15h (Tarif : 3,00€ - enfant : 1,00€)

Pour en savoir plus : [www.fortdelacreche.fr](http://www.fortdelacreche.fr)

**Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur**

**Institut océanographique Paul Ricard - Ile des Embiez, 6 juin**


In view of the COP 21, a world conference on Climate in Paris (November 30 – December 11, 2015), the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute invites you to a meeting on major role of the Ocean in the climate system, the consequences of climate imbalances, and solutions.

With:
- Françoise Gaill, Director of Investigations at CNRS, coordinator of the Platform Ocean & Climate Scientific Committee, and administrator of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute
- Gérard d’Aboville and Pascal Goulpié, Planet Solar
Patricia Ricard, President of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute
- Pr. Nardo Vicente, scientific officer of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute

« We have to reinvent the world, in other words we have to think apart from our regular points of reference. We, the community of Oceans, believe that an important part of the solution will come from the sea”.

Françoise Gaill, Director of Investigations at CNRS and coordinator of the Platform Ocean & Climate (Interview vidéo https://goo.gl/tjwFbJ)

« I am longing to make the MS Tûranor PlanetSolar a mobile laboratory for collecting and analysing plastic waste in order to fight against Oceans pollution. The story of this boat and the enthusiasm that it arouses in every port of call makes it a very powerful communication tool that I want to use in favour of water preservation. Moreover, this boat is a great educational platform.”

Marco Simeoni, President of the Foundation Race of Water and owner of the MS Tûranor PlanetSolar.

« Everywhere on Earth and in the Ocean, the carbon is source of life. The nature, which is the guardian of balances, optimises this resource. It is time to take our inspiration from the nature by stopping maximising its use”. Patricia Ricard, President of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute.

« The Mediterranean Sea, which is almost closed, is a model for the World Ocean. This sea suffers first from the effects of climate change. Thanks to the commitment of everyone, a sustainable management of this exceptional area can be possible. But the Mediterranean Sea is very lusted after, so first we need it to be an area of peace and freedom again.”

Pr. Nardo Vicente, Scientific Officer of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute.

Ocean&Climate Platform and COP21

The Ocean&Climate Platform has been launched by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO in 2014. It mainly brings together important NGOs, as well as research, protection of nature and public awareness organisms, included the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute.

Its aim is to carry Ocean’s voice and put it at the centre of debates, in view of the next world conference on climate which will take place in Paris in December 2015 (COP21).

More information : www.ocean-climate.org

Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute and climate change

The Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute is set up on île des Embiez (Var). It has been a real look-out post on the Mediterranean Sea since 1966. Since the 1990’s, the researchers of the Institute have simulated the consequences of carbonic gas increase in the atmosphere on marine phytoplankton development. Through several programs that are supported by both private and public sectors, today the team is constantly looking after some organisms such as great nacre, grouper, fishes, sea urchin, etc, as well as spaces like Brusc lagoon (Var), Podestat rocky inlet in the National Park of Rocky Inlets.

These ecological monitorings and measures allow to study the evolution of the marine environment and its biodiversity regarding global warming: increase in water temperatures, apparition of invasive species (caulerpa, fishes from Red Sea and Atlantic) or southern species (barracuda, ornate wrasse, zebra seabream, etc).

Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute’s work show its important involvement concerning the issue on climate change. This work is part of the preservation of species and natural spaces.

In 2016, the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute will celebrate 50 years of action to make known and protect the sea. It remains as one of the rare organisms which benefit from private patronage regarding oceanography.

Presentation

The mission of the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute, which is a non-profit organisation, is :
- To develop concrete and innovative research
- To broadcast scientific information and make it available for as many people as possible.

Since its creation, the Paul Ricard Oceanographic Institute gave itself the means to fulfill its ambitions.

Pyrénées Atlantiques

Cité de l’Océan – Biarritz, June 8th

The World Ocean Day of UNESCO is celebrated every year in
the whole world, in order to highlight how much the Ocean is important in our daily life.

In this context, you have the opportunity to discover la Cité de l’Océan de Biarritz thanks to exceptional prices: half-price entry for a day, which means 5.65€/adult, 3.65€/child, and free entry for children that are under 6 years old of age.

Program:
- 10am: one-hour guided tour on submarine relief and water origins.
- 17pm: guided tour (1h45) for families to explore the submarine base, go to the bathyscaphe and meet Archi, the giant squid.

French Overseas Territories

French Polynesia

Te mana o te moana – Moorea, French Polynesia

Morning between the ground and the sea – Tahiti Sea Crossing – Moorea on board of Aremiti Ferry 2:
Animations on the preservation of the marine environment and its protected species – for schools and general public, in partnership with the Eco-Citizen Movement which is at the origin of the manifestation.
At the same time:
Open Days – Site of the Association – InterContinental Resort and Spa Moorea.
Information Stands for General Public from 9:30 am (educational activities, visit of the marine turtles’ clinic, exhibitions of children work, fun and educational animations made by Moorea and Australes classes – awareness on Marine Areas, presentation of PGEM Moorea...)
Partners associated to the event: Commune de Moorea – World Ocean Network - PEW

Martinique

Ecole de Dizac – Le Diamant, Martinique

- Presentation of the film « Mais d’où viennent ces sargasses ? » (Where do these seaweeds come from?) made by the students of the school to show the role of the global warming in the seaweeds’ beaching and decomposition on our coasts.
- Song: “La baleine bleue” (The blue whale)
- Exhibition of an artistic fresco which theme is the Ocean.

Ireland

Marine Institute – Ireland

Ireland’s first National Maritime Festival launches on World Oceans Day
June 8, 2015

Dublin, Galway & Cork, 8 June 2015: Marking World Oceans Day across the globe today (8 June), Minister for Agriculture, Food, the
Marine and Defence Simon Coveney T.D., has announced the first national celebration of Ireland's oceans, SeaFest. The inaugural SeaFest, will take place this year in Cork Harbour on 10 and 11 July, and will see thousands of visitors enjoying the fruits and pleasures of the sea, from boating trips, yacht sailing, open water swimming, marine simulators, rescue demonstrations, sea life exhibits, educational screenings and talks, festival family fun and a food village with live seafood cookery demonstrations with some of Ireland's best known chefs.

"As an island nation, it is so important to recognise and celebrate the incredible resources of Ireland's abundant and surrounding seas," said Minister Simon Coveney, T.D. at the launch of SeaFest. "This two day festival will travel Ireland, taking place in Cork in 2015 and with plans already underway to bring SeaFest to Galway in 2016. It is a national festival at which we can share our seafaring heritage and future, enjoy a myriad of water sports and activities, have fun while learning about the sea and the opportunities it presents, and feast on some of the world's best seafood. I am hugely excited about this national festival, SeaFest, and look forward to it becoming one of Ireland's leading festivals in the coming years."

Cookery demonstrations, workshops on how to cook and eat prawns, lobsters, mussels and oysters among other seafood will be hosted by the seafood development agency, Bord Iascaigh Mhara (BIM) and Bord Bia, the Irish Food Board with renowned seafood chefs, Martin Shanahan and Rory O'Connell. As well as leading Irish chefs showing people just how easy, quick and healthy it is to enjoy fresh fish from our oceans, there will also be fishmonger demonstrations, seafood sampling, rope making, talks on seafood and a large fish market at the festival.

The Harnessing our Ocean Wealth conference which forms a key part of SeaFest, will attract international and national delegates and experts in marine research, ocean energy and the 'blue economy' to Cork.

"Ireland is one of the largest states in the EU if you take into account our seabed area," said Dr. Peter Heffernan, CEO of the Marine Institute. "With our exclusive rights to a sea area more than ten times our land size, Ireland's ocean is a national asset providing incredible opportunities for tourism, energy, food and new applications for therapeutics and technology. SeaFest aims to celebrate and acknowledge the importance of the sea for the island"

The National Maritime College of Ireland (NMCI) will be sharing their facilities, normally used to train for a career as a maritime professional, with the public at SeaFest. Festival goers can experience various ship models in national and international waters in a variety of weather conditions via the simulators; these simulation exercises show the skills required when working at sea. Visitors to the festival will also be able to visit UCC's new Beaufort Building. This state of the art €15 million building will house the LIR National Ocean Test Facility and the SFI MaREI centre which is a cluster of key university and industrial partners dedicated to solving the main scientific, technical, social and economic challenges related to marine renewable energy.

The Irish Naval Service will be on hand to provide tours of the offshore patrol vessel, L.E. James Joyce, the sister ship to L.E. Samuel Beckett. Members of the Irish Defence Forces will tell visitors about the activities of the Irish Navy, situations encountered aboard while at sea and showcase the latest in modern seafaring technology on board this new ship. The Marine Institute research vessel, R.V. Celtic Voyager will be visiting SeaFest before departing on a survey to investigate algal blooms off Ireland's coast.

As part of SeaFest, there will be a 'parade of sail' including super yachts, racing yachts, private leisure craft and boats, that will sail from the mouth of Cork Harbour to the Port of Cork marina in the city centre. The parade of sail will follow the open water swimmers of the Lee Swim, which is taking place on 11 July and will see hundreds taking to the sea to enjoy a refreshing and strenuous in the sea.

SeaFest 2015 promises to be a thoroughly enjoyable festival for all. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy the best of Ireland's oceans this July in Cork Harbour. A full schedule of festival fun has been announced for SeaFest 2015 at www.seafest.ie to mark World Oceans Day on 8 June 2015.
About SeaFest 2015

Lithuania

Lituanian Sea Museum, Klaipeda, June 6th

Let’s celebrate the World Ocean Day on June 6th! After the dolphins’ show at 12am, let’s walk together to the coastline. On the beach, there will be a discussion on the Courtland lagoon and Baltic Sea with scientists and biologists. At the end of the event, let’s create and play Jazz all together with the Baltic Sea!

MIDDLE EAST

Lebanon

Ecole de partout et d’ailleurs, Collège Notre Dame du Balamand – Tripoli

Delivery of the passport of the Citizen of the Ocean. Presentation of the research work made by the high school students on water treatment plants, coastal management, fishing technics, the state of the Mediterranean Sea and threatened species. Presentation of the drawings selected for the Bank Med contest about the Oceans.