Regional perspectives on water and ocean related issues: THE INTERFACE BETWEEN SCIENCE AND POLICYMAKING

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Asia-Pacific has the largest ocean coverage

93% of carbon dioxide is stored in algae, vegetation, and coral

Oceans act as climate regulators and providers of sustainable energy

Coastal Mangroves Lost

60%
ESCAP’s work

ACCELERATING SDG14

LIFE BELOW WATER

CLOSING THE LOOP

ASIA PACIFIC day for the OCEAN 8 November 2019

OCEAN CITIES
SDG 14 Accelerator

**ESCAP METHODOLOGY**

1) Assess ocean accounts and policy
2) Form action plan
3) Accelerate delivery
Promoting Economic, Social and Environmental Cooperation on Oceans for Sustainable Development

76th Commission

THEME STUDY

Sustainable fisheries
Sustainable maritime connectivity
Marine plastic pollution

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Ocean Pathway response

NEXUS – Ocean, climate change, and urban development

Resilient urban development

Nature-based solutions including integrated blue/green infrastructure
Plastic waste capture

- Linking informal and formal waste management
- Policy interventions to reduce plastic leakages
- Pune, India: reduction equivalent to 50,000 tonnes of CO2