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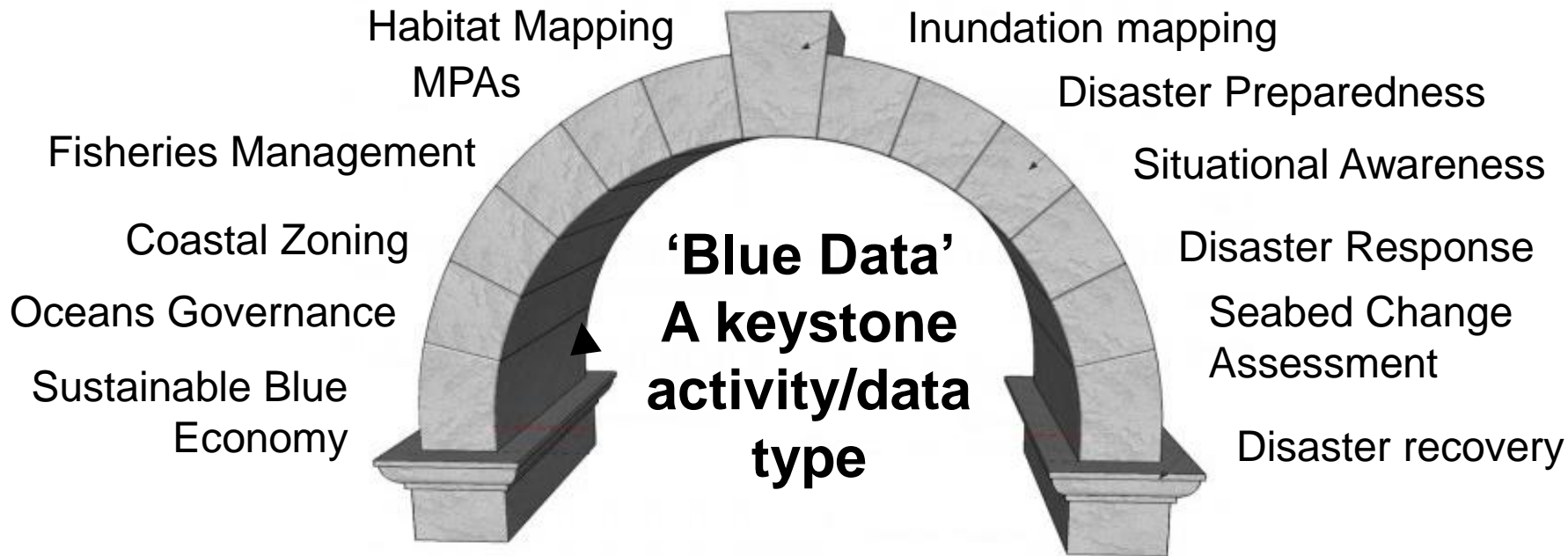
# Capacity Building and the Bigger Picture

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# International Context



**2021  
2030** United Nations Decade  
of Ocean Science  
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# Challenges for Implementing SDGs?

**They key challenge for implementation represents an opportunity  
for Hydrography and spatial data...**

...If both activities are approached with a good understanding of the  
seabed, then both can be achieved **sustainably**

**Successful  
Delivery of SDG 14**

**Successful  
Delivery of SDG 9**

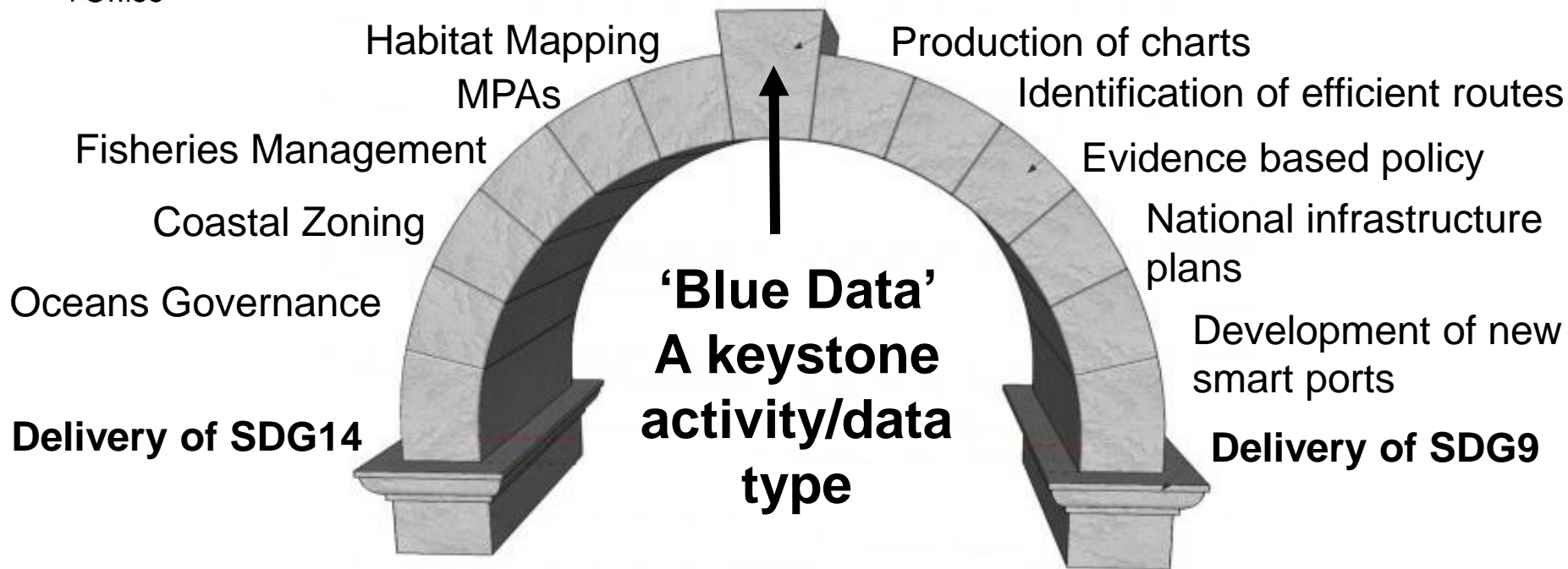


Hydrography can be the **pivot** that helps find the balance



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# How does Hydrography fit into the SDGs





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“Ocean science, supported  
by capacity development, is  
essential not only to inform SDG  
14 but also other SDGs that have  
an ocean dimension”



**Peter Thomson**

UN Special Envoy for the Ocean



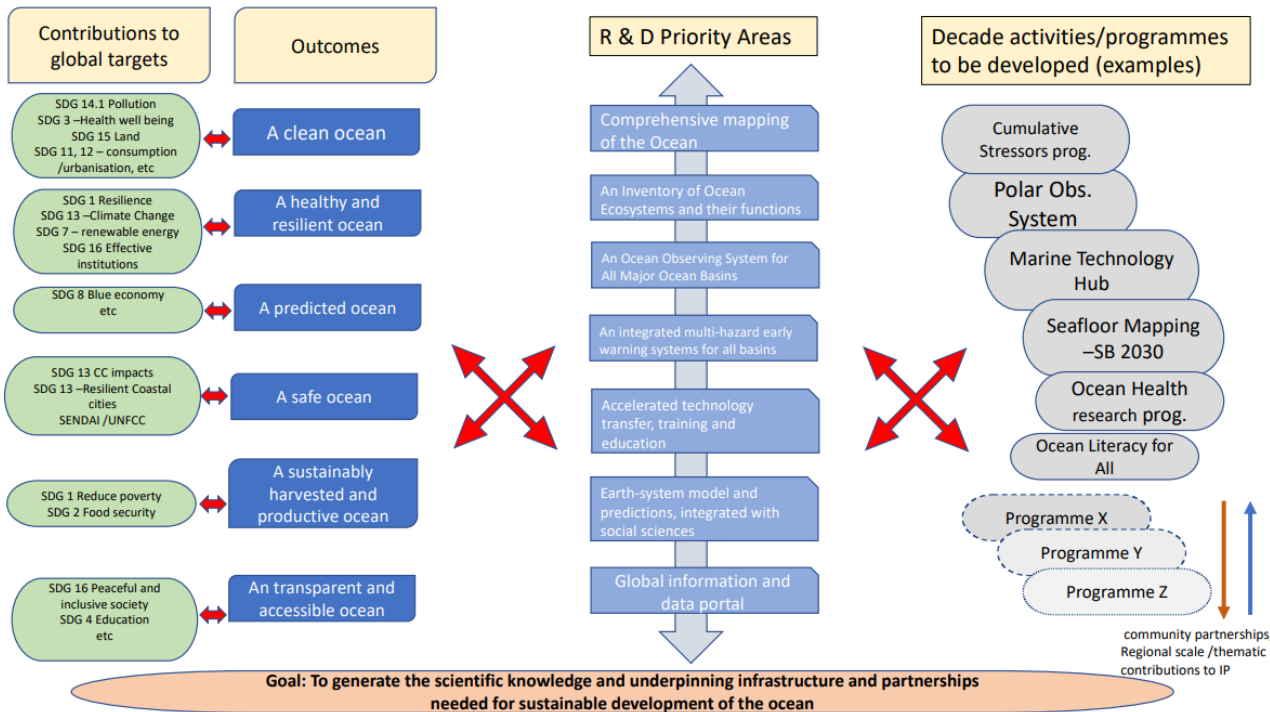
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# UN Decade – Delivery Framework



**2021** United Nations Decade  
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<https://youtu.be/jXDS7dsGMMQ>



Mobilize scientists on critical ocean priorities for the 2030 Agenda

Synthesise existing research and define trends, knowledge gaps and priorities for future research

New research strategies co-designed with ocean stakeholders

**THE VISION:**  
**TO DEVELOP SCIENTIFIC  
KNOWLEDGE, BUILD  
INFRASTRUCTURE AND  
FOSTER PARTNERSHIPS  
FOR A SUSTAINABLE  
AND HEALTHY OCEAN**

Bridge science, policy and societal dialogues via: access to data, information and communication.

Synthesise results and develop user driven solutions

Foster new joint research and co-operation within and across ocean basins

# WHAT WILL THE DECADE ACHIEVE?

The Decade will mobilise resources and technological innovation in ocean science needed to deliver key societal outcomes:



• **A clean ocean** where sources of pollution are identified and removed



• **A healthy and resilient ocean** where marine ecosystems are mapped and protected



• **A predictable ocean** where society has the capacity to understand current and future ocean conditions



• **A safe ocean** where people are protected from ocean hazards



• **A sustainably harvested and productive ocean** ensuring the provision of food supply



• **A transparent ocean** with open access to data, information and technologies

# The Decade will focus on key priority areas, such as:

1

Comprehensive digital  
atlas of the ocean

2

Comprehensive ocean  
observing system for all  
major basins

3

Quantitative and qualitative understanding of  
ocean ecosystems and their functioning as the  
basis for their management and adaptation

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4

Ocean data and information  
portal

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Integrated multihazard  
warning system

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Ocean in earth-system observation, research  
and prediction, supported by social and human  
sciences and economic valuation

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# THE DECADE WILL ALSO SUPPORT KEY APPLICATIONS FOR SOCIETY INCLUDING:



Coastal zone management  
and adaptation



Marine spatial planning/blue  
economy



Establishment of marine  
protected areas



Fisheries management



Ocean-related Nationally determined  
contributions to UNFCCC



Development of national  
ocean policies



Development of national  
R & D strategies



Regional and national capacity  
development planning

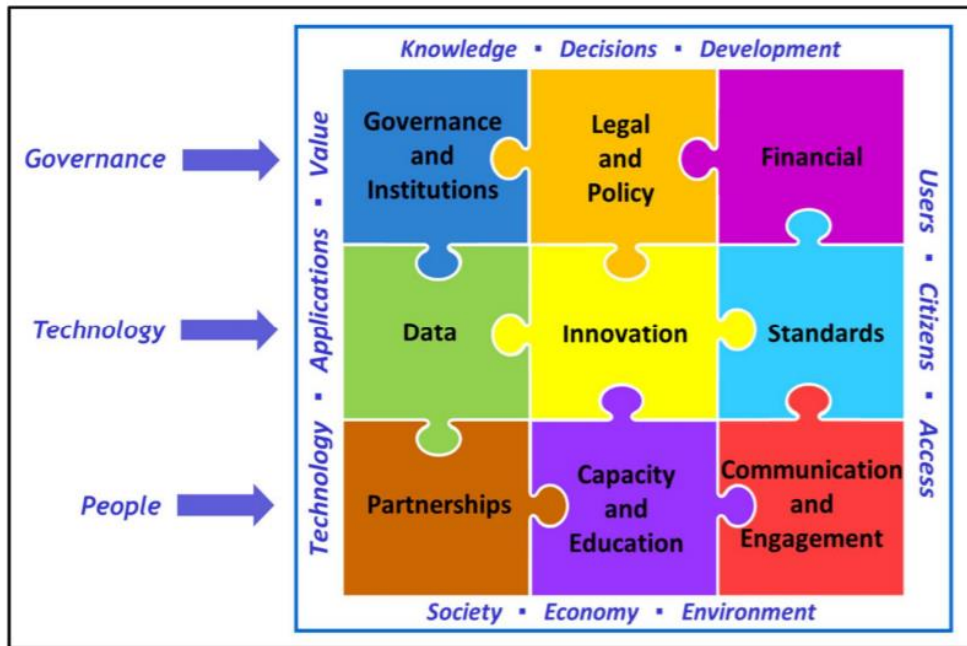


Early warning systems

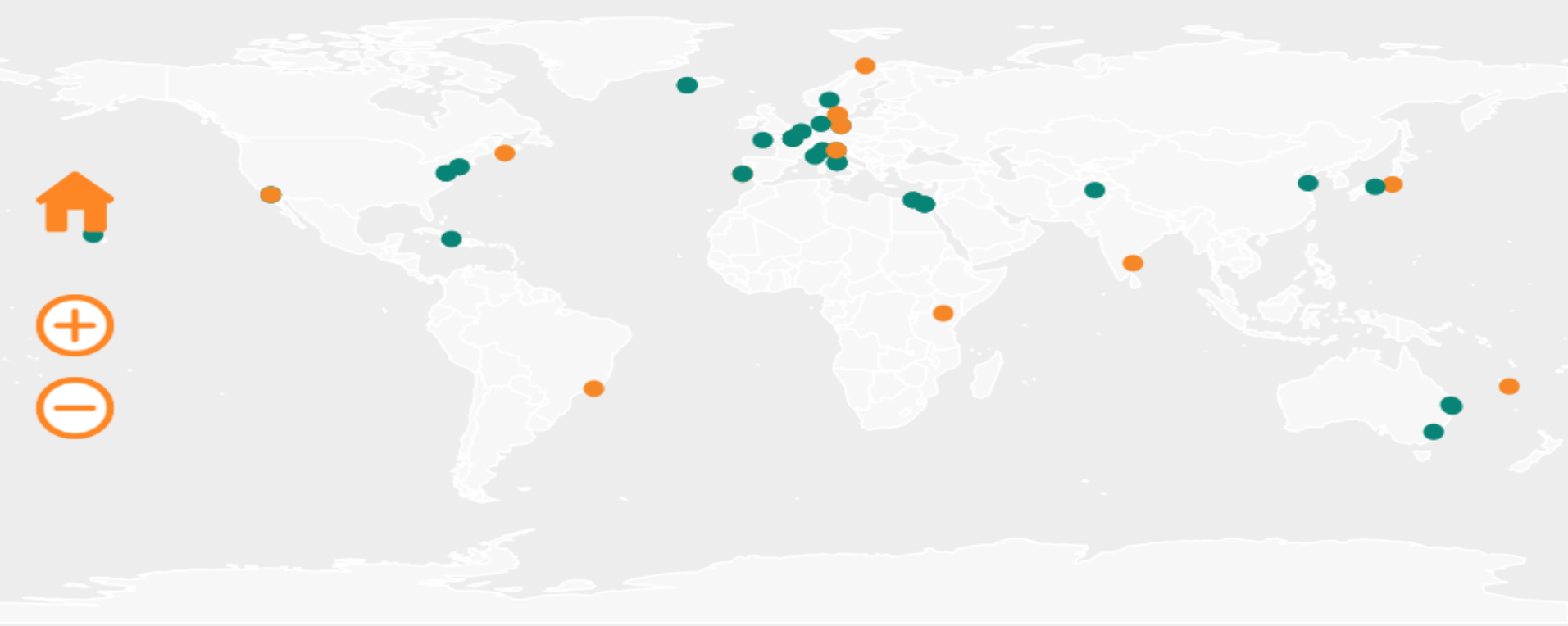


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# UNGGIM - IGIF



## INTEGRATED GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION FRAMEWORK



# Relevant International Events



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# So What?

- The Decade will set the international policy priorities that the development community will use to finance Ocean activity
- How well are we placed to contribute to this process?
- What could we do to ensure the IHO CB strategy is connected/referenced in this process?



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