## Experts gathered at UNESCO herald new impulses for interdisciplinary ocean observing and forecasting

Over 200 experts gathered at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris for the plenary meeting and final symposium of the EuroSea Project, led by Germany's GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel and funded by the European Union with 12.6 million euros from 2019 to 2023.



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The EuroSea Project involved 53 partners from 14 European countries as well as Brazil and Canada, working together to improve the European system for ocean observing and forecasting in a global context.

The ocean forms the basis of all life on our planet. It regulates the climate and provides food and oxygen. However, human-induced changes such as pollution, overfishing, warming and other factors are upsetting marine ecosystems. Understanding ocean and coastal processes is essential to maintaining ocean health and sustainable ocean management.

The EuroSea Project, funded by the European Union with 12.6 million euros, has filled important knowledge gaps in these areas over the past four years and paved the way for an interdisciplinary and sustainable ocean observation and forecasting system. To this end, the most important European players in ocean observation and forecasting worked together with the users of oceanographic products and services. (Read more)