



Let's talk about Coastal Challenges

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Abstract

Turning the Tide through the 100% Alliance

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Coastal systems face mounting pressure from intensifying climate impacts, sea level rise, ecosystem degradation, and unsustainable development. These challenges are interconnected and accelerating, yet responses remain fragmented, siloed, and reactive.

The High Level Panel for a Sustainable Ocean Economy, a coalition of 18 heads of state and government, has outlined a transformative goal: for all coastal and island states to sustainably manage 100% of their national waters. Central to this vision is the development of Sustainable Ocean Plans - comprehensive, science-based frameworks that align ocean protection, sustainable production, and equitable prosperity.

To advance this ambition, the 100% Alliance was launched to scale political momentum, build technical capacity, and coordinate action. This growing coalition brings together countries, institutions, and partners committed to making 100% sustainable ocean management the global norm.

This session will explore how this integrated, forward-looking approach can help nations confront coastal pressures while delivering on climate, biodiversity, and development goals.

