

The Indian Ocean Event during Ocean Decade Conference 2024

“**Bridging Billions to Barcelona**” <https://incois.gov.in/IIW/DCCIOR/odconf2024.jsp>

Dates: 10–12 April 2024

Venue: Indian Ocean Room (127 & 128),
Centre de Convencions Internacional de Barcelona (CCIB), Barcelona

The **Indian Ocean Event** was organized during the **Ocean Decade Conference 2024** as a dedicated platform to highlight the Indian **Ocean-specific perspectives, priorities, and partnerships** within the global Ocean Decade framework.

Aligned with the theme “**Bridging Billions to Barcelona**”, the event showcased how the Indian Ocean Region—home to over one-fifth of the world’s population—can meaningfully contribute to achieving the objectives of the **UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021–2030)**.

Key Focus Areas

- Advancing **Indian Ocean-centric Ocean Decade Actions**
- Strengthening **regional and global partnerships**
- Sharing experiences, challenges, and opportunities unique to the Indian Ocean Region
- Enhancing coordination through the **Decade Collaborative Centre for the Indian Ocean Region (DCC-IOR)**

The event provided a forum for dialogue among **scientists, policymakers, international organizations, and stakeholders**, reinforcing collaboration across regions and scales and amplifying the Indian Ocean voice within the Ocean Decade.