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28-29 April 2025 | Sopot, Poland

Mission Ocean and Waters Governance

From Pathway to best case scenario

Theme: Governance


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AGENDA

Plenary Introduction:

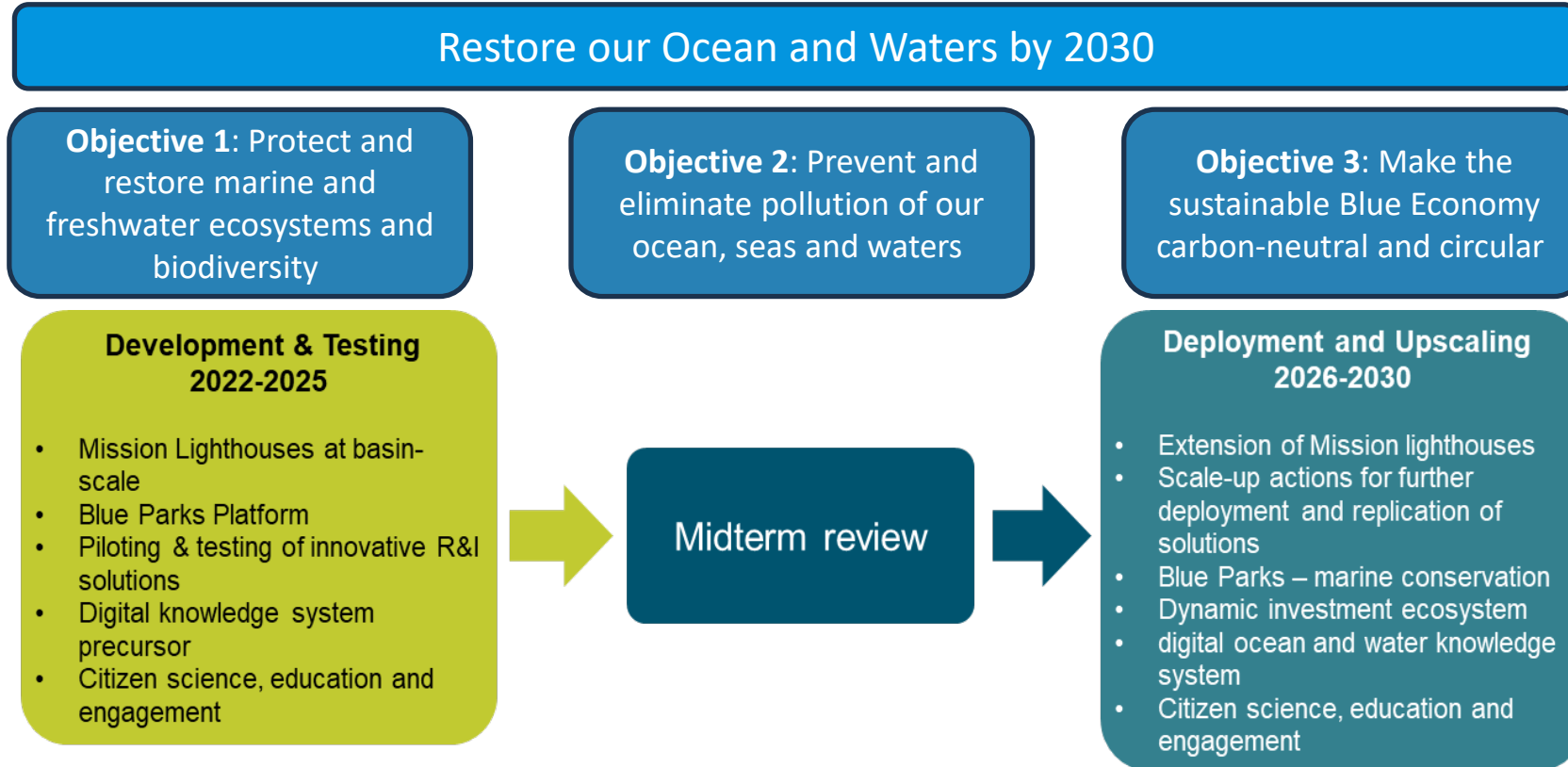
- BlueMissionBANOS Governance WP: Overview & Input from past workshops
- Workshop Objectives & Format

TASK 1: World Café Rotating Discussion

TASK 2: Scenario Refinement

Task 3: Interactive Ocean Resilience Scorecard

Mission Implementation Phases



BlueMissionBANOS Governance

Create an optimal governance structure for the implementation of the Mission objectives in the Baltic and North Sea region (= BANOS area) by incorporating all necessary actors on EU, national and regional level. The aim is to build on existing structures and create synergies.

Develop a pathway to a practical governance model based on a participatory approach.

Current Activities:

Encouragement of Stakeholders in the BANOS region to sign the Mission Charter

Preparing Policy Briefs

Engaging with BMB National Focal Points/ Mission Hubs

Planning a foresight workshop

“... at the Mission Forum (4th March 2025, Brussels), (...) our commissioner, Ekaterina Zaharieva, has underlined that governance is one of the key issues in terms of the delivery, deployment, and engagement with the Mission's goals in the five years to the end of the decade.” (Videomessage John Bell, Director Healthy Planet, EC, DG-RTG, Interdepartmental Group Meeting Germany, 13.03.2025)

MISSION ARENAS



Helping achieve the Mission Ocean objectives within specific regions of the BANOS area.



MA1

Gothenburg

South Norway, West Sweden, Baltic Denmark, West Baltic Denmark
(November 2023)

MA2

Riga

Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Finland, Baltic Sweden
(April 2024)

MA3

Amsterdam

North France, Belgium, the Netherlands, North Sea Germany and Denmark
(November 2025)

MA4 Sopot

East Baltic
Germany, Poland, South Baltic
Sweden (April 2025)

MA5 Copenhagen

(September 2025)

Innovations



Solutions

Good practices



Action points

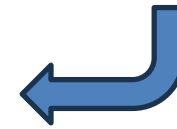


1st Foresight Workshop: Gothenburg (Nov 2023)



2nd Foresight Workshop: Amsterdam (Nov 2024)

Objectives 3rd Foresight Workshop: Sopot (Apr 2025)



Main Question: Will the pathways identified at the 3 levels of governance be *feasible*, *scalable*, and *resilient* to help implement the Mission objectives in the second phase (upscaling & deployment)?

Scenario Visions:

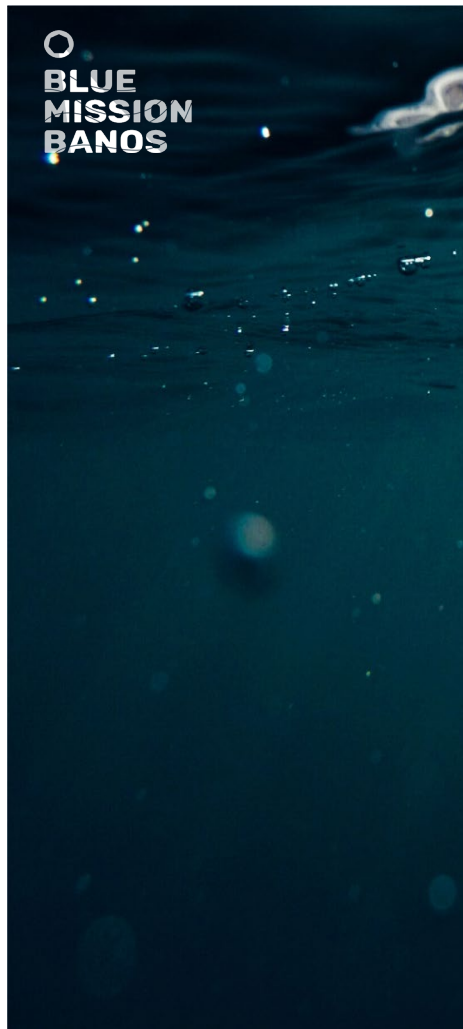
- 1. Local-Level Collaborative Ocean Governance:** Coastal communities, municipalities, and regional authorities lead the transition through locally driven, adaptive governance that integrates fisheries, conservation, and marine spatial planning.
- 2. National-Level Ocean Governance for Policy Integration:** National governments provide cohesive, cross-sector ocean governance by aligning fisheries, energy, and biodiversity policies with clear legal mandates and implementation frameworks.
- 3. Supranational/ Global-Level Integrated Ocean Governance:** The EU, regional sea conventions, and global frameworks (e.g., UN Ocean Decade, BBNJ Agreement) align to create a cohesive transnational approach.



Goals of the Workshop today

- Refine governance scenarios by strengthening **actions and implementation strategies**.
- Identify roadblocks and innovative solutions to governance challenges.
- Create a **comparative summary of governance approaches** for use in the next phase of the Mission Ocean.

We do this via the following methods....



Workshop method 1: World Café

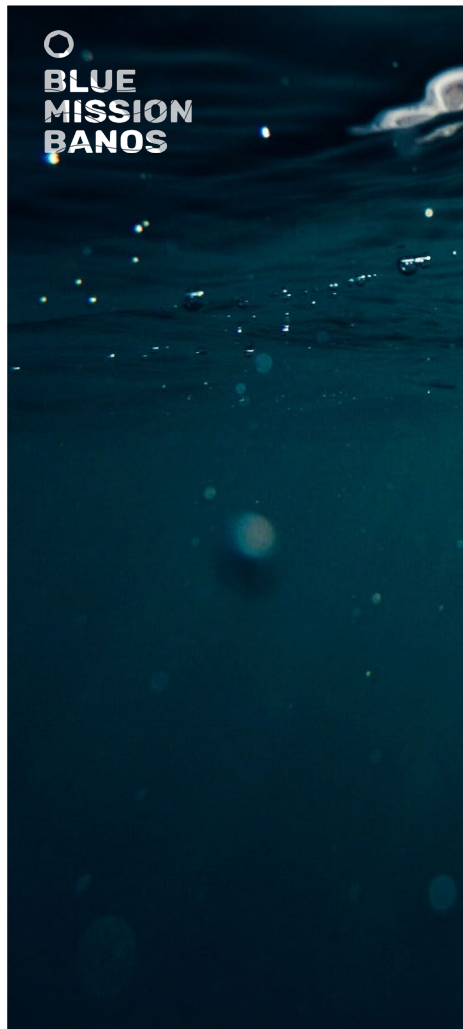
Research Question: Are our needed pathways identified in previous workshops efficient to achieve the best-case scenario?

Purpose: Evaluate the governance actions from the past workshop to create scenario pathways at the:

- **Global Level** (10 min)
- **National Level** (10 min)
- **Local Level** (10 min)



1. Read the scenario vision and needed actions (2 minutes)
2. Discuss the guiding questions at your table (7-8 minutes)
 1. Write your answers on the paper in front of you
3. Facilitator will **sort ideas** based on discussion



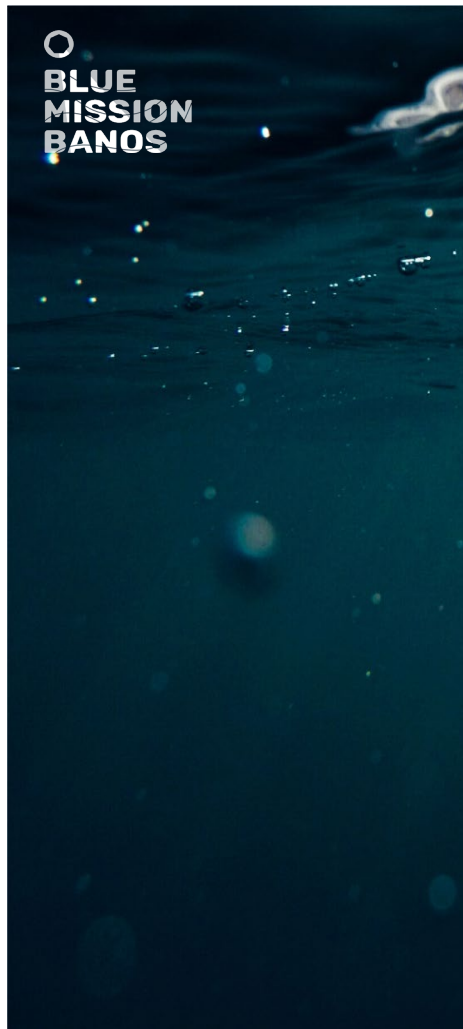
Role play in the World Café

This is your lens—use it to explore the scenario from a unique angle!!

Why? To spark richer conversations and explore the scenarios from a different perspective.

Be supportive, critical, creative, disruptive and balancing and ensure all voices are heard.

<p>The Proponent</p>	<p>The Skeptic</p>	<p>The Disruptor</p>	<p>The Innovator</p>	<p>The Mediator</p>
<p>The Proponent</p> <p>As the proponent, you will support and strengthen the scenario by adding missing elements</p>	<p>The Skeptic</p> <p>As the skeptic, you will identify challenges and weaknesses within the current scenario</p>	<p>The Disruptor</p> <p>As the disruptor, you will introduce real-world stressors, such as political, economic, or environmental crises</p>	<p>The Innovator</p> <p>As the innovator, you will propose creative policy solutions to overcome identified barriers</p>	<p>The Mediator</p> <p>As the mediator, you will facilitate balance between competing views and ideas in the scenario</p>

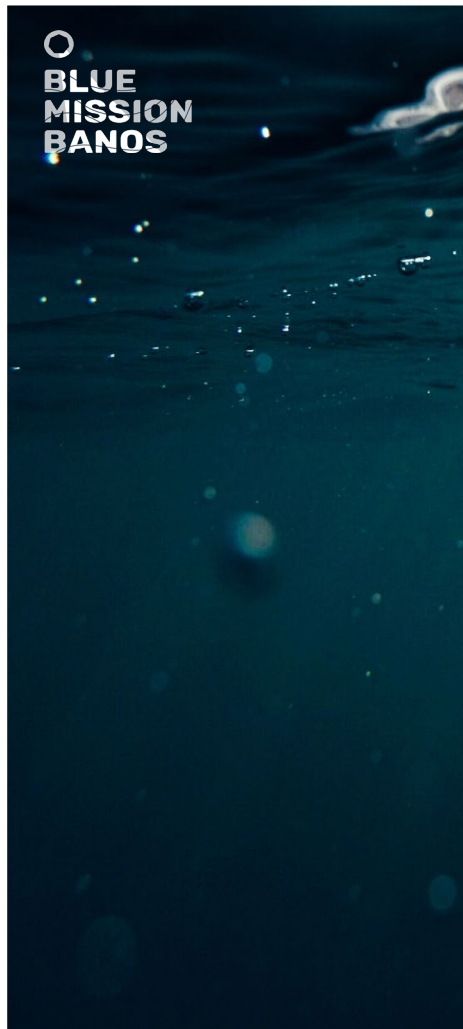


Workshop method 2: Scenario refinement

Objective: Agree upon the top needed actions to reach the best-case scenario

5 mins per level of governance





Workshop method 3: Ocean Resilience Scorecard

Objective: Rate the scenario's likelihood of success based on various factors

- In plenary, rank the **scenarios** from the refinement exercise (5 min per governance level)

Feasibility (green)

How practical is this governance approach?

Resilience (blue)

Can it withstand external stressors?

Scalability (Yellow)

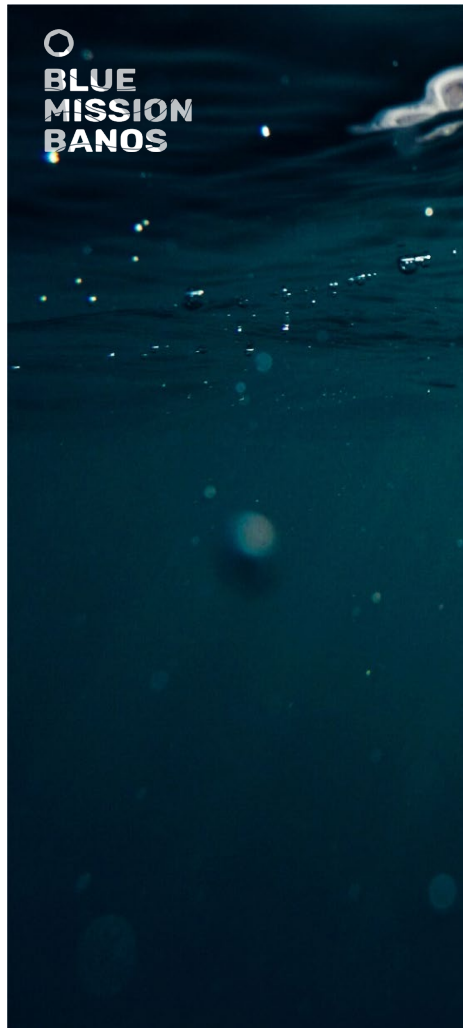
Can it be applied in different contexts?



Scale

1 = Not likely or not practical

5 = Extremely likely and practical



Don't forget to sign your GDPR form!

Hand in to your table facilitator.





Before we begin...

Some housekeeping rules...

1. **Everyone gets a voice** – let's make space for all perspectives.
2. **Listen to understand, not to reply** – be curious and open. This is about learning, not debating.
3. **Stay present and on the scenario at your table** – phones away, focus on your governance level.

