

**Thailand's Intervention for the Interactive Dialogue:
Increasing scientific knowledge and developing research capacity and transfer
of marine technology**

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Excellencies,
Distinguish Delegates,

Thailand would like to share views that, in order to boost actions towards the SDG 14 targets, enthusiastic effort needs to be placed on ocean sciences and technology development that leads to innovative approaches and solutions in addressing ocean crises and challenges.

This should include not only technological innovations, but also innovations that link to policy establishment, regulatory issuance, economic tools, financial mechanism, institutional arrangement, and stakeholder engagement.

Thailand underscores the significance of science and knowledge in decision-making and policy formulation. We have actively engaged in the implementation of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development, which provides an inclusive, equitable framework for diverse actors to co-design and co-deliver transformative ocean science that will contribute essential knowledge to all levels of policy frameworks, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Thailand will host the Decade Coordination Office for the Western Pacific building on the capacity of the WESTPAC Secretariat Office in Bangkok, which will be one of the decentralized coordination hubs, serving as a platform for research collaboration, exchange, and transfer of technology in the region.

Thank you

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