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30x30 Ocean Regeneration & Resilience Financing Facility ("30x30 R&R Facility")

The [Ocean Risk and Resilience Action Alliance](#) (ORRAA) is working with insurance broker [Howden](#) on a pre-competitive feasibility analysis for the development of a potential self-replenishing Ocean Regeneration and Resilience Fund.

Financial Innovation

- ORRAA is assessing the feasibility of establishing a financing mechanism based on an 'ocean regeneration and resilience' fee on the existing insurance premiums of key industries that use the Ocean, to finance the Global Biodiversity Framework's 30x30 target, as well as resilience in those countries most exposed and vulnerable to Ocean risk.

Snapshot

- The 30x30 R&R Facility will help to deliver the financing required to meet funding targets through two windows:
 1. By supporting regeneration and adaptation in SIDS/coastal LDCs through the provision of capacity building for the designation and management of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), and/or through the establishment of suitable financing mechanisms such as blue bonds and debt for nature conversions.
 2. By promoting climate resilience in SIDS and coastal LDCs through the provision of premiums for parametric insurance/umbrella stop-loss insurance policies against climate induced losses and damages through timely, post-disaster pay-outs.

Purpose

- The business classes that use the Ocean, including offshore oil and gas, marine equipment, underwater cables, seafood, shipping, shipbuilding, tourism, port activities and offshore wind had collective revenues of nearly USD\$2trillion in 2018.

Investing in coastal communities and the Ocean

Purpose (continued)

- These industries, though providing economic benefits and employment, operate with significant external costs to the marine ecosystem. They derive economic benefits free of charge, or actively contribute to the degradation of the marine environment with many being supported by large government subsidies.
- It is estimated that USD\$175billion/annum is required to achieve SDG14: Life Below Water, by 2030. Yet over the past decade, less than two per cent of Official Development Assistance has been invested into the ocean economy.¹ Between USD\$5-20billion is needed each year to meet the targets of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) to protect 30% of the Ocean by 2030.
- Charging industrial users for their use of the ocean and directing these funds towards coastal and ocean regeneration and resilience would help internalise some of the costs of their use and would promote the more equitable use of marine ecosystems by correcting current market failures.

Stage of Development: [FEASIBILITY PHASE]

- The preliminary phase involves a comprehensive feasibility study and stakeholder engagement beginning in April 2024 and targeting completion by Q3 2024 for the first phase of work.

The [Ocean Risk and Resilience Action Alliance](#) (ORRAA) is the only multi-sector collaboration connecting the international finance and insurance sectors, governments, non-profits, and stakeholders from the Global South to pioneer finance products that incentivise investment into coastal and ocean nature-based solutions. Our goal, by 2030 is to activate at least USD\$500 million of investment into this space, and in so doing, help build the resilience of at least 250 million climate vulnerable coastal people.

ORRAA is spearheading the development of the Sea Change Impact Financing Facility (SCIFF), an open ocean financing architecture designed to drive at least US\$1 billion of private investment into coastal and ocean ecosystems by 2030, with a focus on the Global South. The SCIFF is building an ocean financing ecosystem to complement ORRAA's development of an investible project and product pipeline and will integrate sustainable blue finance into broader climate and biodiversity finance ecosystems.

ORRAA is working together with its members on a blue finance delivery roadmap between now and 2025, developing financing instruments, bridging policy frameworks, building financial literacy, and developing pathways and scalable tools to unlock financing for coastal and ocean resilience and regeneration.

¹ UN Trade & Development (UNCTAD, 2023) [Global 'Blue Deal' urgently needed to protect and invest in our ocean](#)