

Ocean and Climate Change Dialogue, 2026

Statement on behalf of Norway

Thank you, co-facilitators,

- **On behalf of Norway, please allow me to first thank the incoming COP 31 Presidencies for highlighting the importance of the ocean-climate nexus.**

- **The ocean must be fully integrated into climate action under the UNFCCC.**

The ocean is an important part of the solution for mitigation, adaptation and resilience. Ocean, climate and biodiversity must be addressed together.

- **This year is a key moment to strengthen the ocean-climate agenda.**
- **With the Pre-COP taking place in the Pacific, this is an important opportunity to ensure that the perspectives of SIDS and coastal communities are reflected more clearly in the road to COP.**
- **Norway fully supports the statement by Australia's Deputy President of Negotiations - We need to move from recognition to implementation. Also, as mentioned by Director of Action Agenda, the work in the Action Agenda will give valuable input into the work on a blue COP31.**

For Norway, the message is clear:

- **We need more practical and integrated ocean-climate action — grounded in science, reflected in national plans, and supported by international cooperation.**

Thank you very much,