



A series of virtual summits that focuses on supporting our one-of-a-kind community of ocean solutionists.

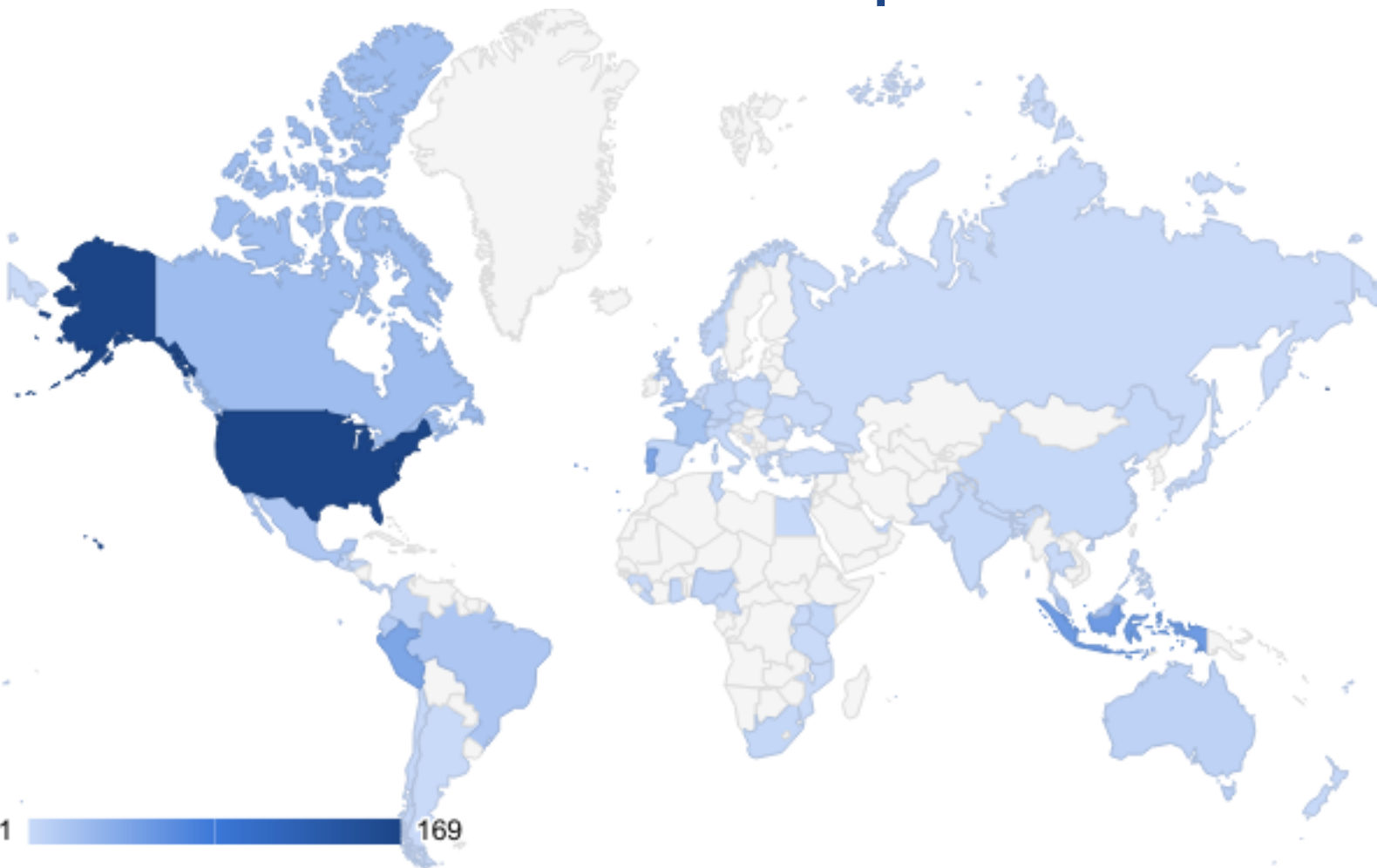
## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY | June 2, 2020

**594 Participants**

**73 Countries**

**539 1:1 Conversations**

**260 Statements of Impact**



Countries of highest attendance: U.S., Indonesia, Peru, Portugal, Canada, France, Malaysia, Brazil, Mexico, U.K., Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia, Germany, Nigeria, Philippines

# SPEAKERS AND SOLUTIONISTS

Christina Ochoa  
Sam Teicher  
Daniel Caceres  
Chelsea Briganti  
Miranda Wang  
Luke Young  
Liane Thompson

Karmenu Vella  
Nathan Gold  
Ty Hammond  
Jason Scorse  
Marissa Cuevas  
Nila Patty  
Forbi Perise



"REPLACE FEAR WITH  
FASCINATION."

MATT DRAPER

CHRISTINA OCHOA,  
ACTOR  
SCIENCE COMMUNICATOR  
OCEAN ADVOCATE



"WHAT WE NEED IS A  
SHARED VISION FOR THE  
FUTURE, BACKED BY  
RIGOROUS SCIENCE, PLUS A  
SOLID GOVERNANCE MODEL,  
AND YOUR APPROACH OF  
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FORMER EU  
COMMISSIONER  
KARMENU VELLA



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ENVIRONMENT".

SOA FOUNDER AND  
CEO DANIELA  
FERNANDEZ

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# IMPACT STATEMENTS



**260 participants representing every continent provided a statement of their work to create a healthier ocean and planet.**







I am the director for Seawater Solutions, a company that is restoring degraded farmland in coastal areas by building artificial saltmarsh ecosystems for climate resilience and wildlife promotion. - Yanik, U.K.



Reconnecting people and oceans through a programme of interdisciplinary sailing expeditions. - Oliver, U.K.

# EUROPE



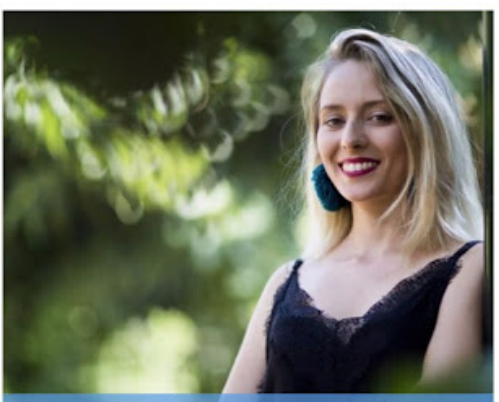
I created a youth-led initiative and an organization called Project MariKnows, it aims to empowers Maritime professionals and students in the Philippines to be leaders in marine protection. - Harold, Poland



I don't eat seafood, collect trash from a shoreline any time I visit and start conversations and initiatives within my school and community. - Skye, Germany



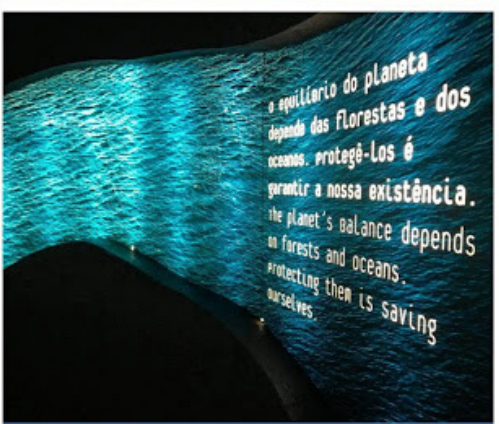
Clean the seabed world wide by use of technology, without risk of personnel. - Magnus, Norway



We are a creative Portuguese platform that supports entrepreneur education for the ocean. - Ana, Portugal



I'm the Founder of Tanaka: a social business restoring marine habitats through tailor-made CSR programs and scientific impacts measurement tools. - Anne-Sophie, France



I stand for what I stand on! - Naveen, Portugal





Seagrass Restoration! - Maria, Mozambique



I fight against ocean resource exploitation that is lethal! I currently work on fisheries and aquaculture sector so as to ensure food security is attained. - David, Tanzania

# AFRICA



We are transforming the waste crisis in Africa into employment opportunities for marginalised people while [teaching] the skill of turning plastic waste into products of inherent value. - JohnMary, Uganda



I have hosted several widespread awareness [campaigns] on Ocean Health and Marine Pollution as well as conducted nationwide cleanup campaigns in Liberia. As member of the Youth Advisory Council, I played an integral role in compiling a guide that teaches people everywhere how to carry out a clean up. - Olivia, Liberia

# OCEANIA



I am currently an SOA Young Ocean Leader and advocate in many different capacities on a local and global level. My future impact centres around improving Ocean Literacy, combatting plastic pollution and taking action on climate issues, especially in New Zealand. - Aimee, New Zealand



We are advocating for education and action towards the sustainability of the ocean, concerning issues such as plastic pollution, over fishing, coral bleaching, etc. [www.plasticfreeboy.com](http://www.plasticfreeboy.com) - Arlian, Australia



Coral Restoration! - Adi, Fiji



I have been part of a team teaching over 20,000 students in schools comparing pristine and degraded marine environments in their local area ... and [an] understanding of kaitiakitanga (being a guardian for our environment). - Anika, New Zealand



# ASIA



We are building ocean technology to cut the cost of conservation by 300x. - Sidhant, Hong Kong



I've been working on water conservation through agriculture management on field. - Keiji, Japan



Coastal biodiversity has been my research area and I have been carrying out research on coastal flora and fauna for last 12 years. During these visits I conduct awareness programs for school kids, senior citizens and tourists about the biodiversity and its conservation. - Dr. Poonam K., India



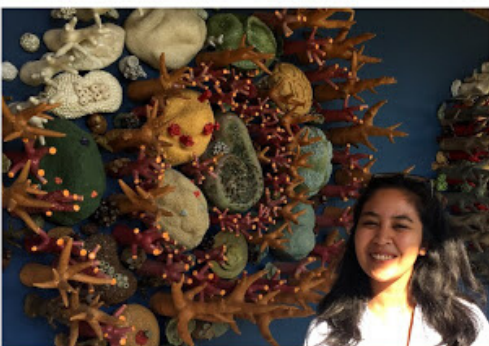
THE OCEAN IS CALLING

I co-founded and am leading the Student Ocean Ambassadors Program at Green School Bali. This is a four-pronged approach to putting ocean regeneration at the forefront of our students' educational experiences. - Francis, Indonesia



We plant mangroves as a place for fish to live and [create] ecosystems. - Abednego, Indonesia

I initiated Project Ocean Hope that aims to educate general public on various ocean issues including marine pollution, climate change, unsustainable fisheries and others, to instill the spirit of volunteerism, love and care for the ocean among Malaysians, especially youths. - Mogesh, Malaysia



Our organization educates individuals and institutions on how to reduce and offset the carbon footprint through the restoration and conservation of the Blue Carbon Ecosystem. - Grace, Indonesia



I created a card game to promote awareness of the ocean, while training volunteers and leading them to conduct coral reef health monitoring. - Chai, Malaysia





Working as part of the San Francisco Surfrider Foundation to keep our ocean, waves, and beaches clean for all to enjoy. Holden, U.S.



Coral Restoration in the Florida Keys! - Whitney, U.S.



I have completed research to stop sea turtles from becoming bycatch, and working on publishing the results. - Leyna, U.S.

I helped build the Reef Life Survey Online Species Database and I have volunteered with Project Cetacea, a humpback whale research project, in Ecuador. I also spend a lot of time doing my best to educate my family and friends on how to be active ocean stewards. - Carolyn, U.S.



# NORTH & SOUTH AMERICA



I reduce marine litter by increasing literacy and regularly organizing and participating in ocean cleanups. - Lisa, Canada



As president of the SOA hub at the University of Florida, I plan to help initiate new projects to encourage UF's student population and the Gainesville community to become advocates for ocean health. - Alexis, U.S.



I work to convert the energy from waves (in the form of compressed air) to generate hydrogen at scale. - Colin, Canada



As a communication specialist, I have worked on climate change and biodiversity projects with coastal communities, promoting sustainable fishing, generating awareness of the impact of climate change on marine biodiversity and promoting community adaptation measures. - Gaby, U.S.





I am coordinating an initiative to take abandoned fish nets and use local knowledge to sew them and create fish net bags used to replace plastic bags for fruits and vegetables. - Beatriz, Brazil



I work on new practices to clean the ocean and reduce organic matter discharges. - Heitor, Brazil

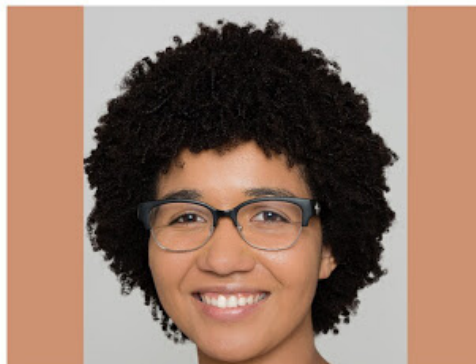


Coletando lixo nos oceanos, e divulgando as maravilhas do fundo do mar, para que possam ser preservadas. - Marcello, Brazil



I develop sensitive projects to help people to reconnect to the Ocean: when you love, you care. - Patricia, Brazil

# NORTH & SOUTH AMERICA



I am the Founder of a sustainable aquatic robotics company whose goal is to greatly reduce microplastics that are already beyond reclamation. - Gabriella, U.S.



I am powering BlueTech by Nature. - Anthony, U.S.



As a core member of Parvati Foundation I am realizing MAPS: the Marine Arctic Peace Sanctuary; the biggest marine protected area ever, in the smallest ocean on the planet, is the bold action we need for an unprecedented threat. - Uttama, Canada



I'm a passionate ocean advocate, learning about the blue economy as a tool for sustainable economies, aiming for improved livelihood and nature endurance. - Guilherme, Brazil



# NORTH & SOUTH AMERICA



I educate the Mexican youth for the ocean's health. - Orlando, Mexico



I save sea turtles and fight ocean plastic pollution. - Christine, Costa Rica

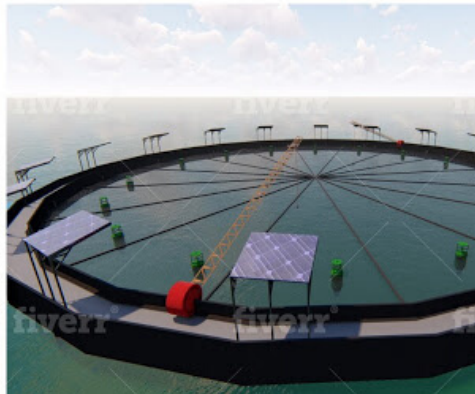


I encourage nature from wherever I am. - Mariana, Costa Rica



Remora XYZ is a catalyzer towards sustainable fisheries, focusing on seafood traceability in small scale fisheries, we believe in transparency from the sea-to-the-plate. - Juan, Costa Rica

Building, directing and investing in global ocean conservation initiatives principled on science-to-action, human well-being and consumer empowerment. - Leah, U.S.

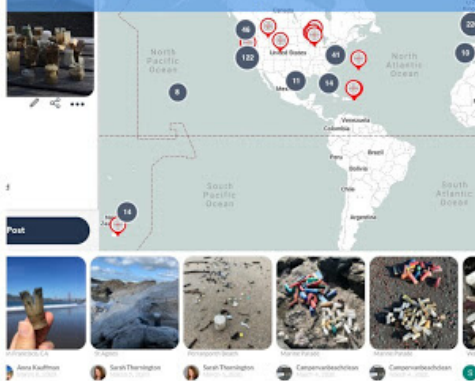


Developing innovative and sustainable offshore aquaculture systems. - Deane, U.S.



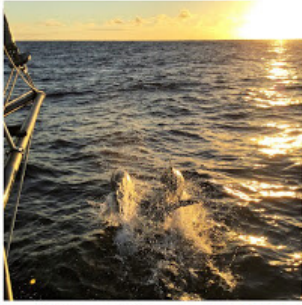
I connect people with conservation and climate change through shared virtual exploration of the ocean. - Patrick, U.S.

I created and lead Surfrider's Shotgun Wad Watcher, a global initiative tracking shotgun wads in the wild. - Anna, U.S.





# IMPACT PHOTOS







## **WE ARE**

Innovators.

Grassroots Leaders.

Thinkers, Ideators, Doers.

Mentors, Advisors, Visionaries.

We build, develop, and accelerate  
ocean solutions.

We prioritize the health  
of our ocean and our planet.

We recognize the opportunity  
to place the environment  
at the center of rebuilding a more  
sustainable society.

**NEXT SOA CONNECTS: SEPTEMBER 3, 2020**

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