YOUTH, OCEAN AND CLIMATE MANIFESTO SCOREGARD

This scorecard sets out the calls to action that our governments and leaders must urgently take to address the ocean and climate crisis. The Youth Ocean & Climate Coalition will assess these priority actions every six months, to hold government to account. Each action will be marked according to the state of progress.



No progress



Some progress



Target reached



EXTRACTION OF MARINE RESOURCES



Protect our marine ecosystems from resource over-extraction, highly protecting 30% of the entire ocean by 2030.



Divest and reinvest for ocean health and sustainability. Stop harmful subsidies and redirect funds towars green and blue sector initiatives.



Acknowledge the value of the ocean for human and planetary health, and not just as a resource to be plundered.

PLASTICS AND CONSUMER HABITS



Set legally binding, ambitious targets to stop unnecessary plastic consumption and plastic waste for 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 30 years ahead.



By 2023, introduce a tax on the manufacture and use of plastics produced with less than 100% recycled content.



Urgently promote and support circular production and consumption systems.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE



Convene an ongoing annual Citizens' Assembly on Climate & Biodiversity with the ocean at its centre.



Independently evaluate the socioeconomic and cultural impacts of environmental policies.



Provide financial support to enable all communities, organisations and individuals to make sustainable choices, funded by taxes on unsustainable practices.

RESTORATION AND REWILDING



Commit to long-term targets achieved through short-term goals to properly protect and restore the ocean, committing to making at least 30% of the ocean highly protected by 2030.



Cooperate and collaborate to create an international Global Ocean Treaty to protect and restore the ocean.



Finance community-led action and research to restore local ecosystems.

FOSSIL FUELS TO RENEWABLES - A FAIR + JUST TRANSITION



Achieve NetZero by 2030.



Stop subsidising and using fossil fuels.



Facilitate and support the transition to clean and renewable energy through redirected subsidies, use of tax revenue, and provision of grants to ensure clean energy is attainable for all.

OUR CONNECTION TO THE OCEAN



Improve access to blue space for all and increase research on the role of the ocean as a mental health and wellbeing oasis.



Embed education and understanding of the ocean's role in all our lives – at all ages, regardless of where we live.