# Ocean Community Empowerment and Nature (OCEAN)



OCEAN is a new programme of competitive grants for the ODA. It will support innovative proposals from coastal local communities and organizations that have the objective of marine protection and poverty reduction.

The mission of this programme aims also to support the people and communities most affected by the deteriorating ocean health and climate change.

### There are two applicable schemes for Colombia

# **Community Grants**

Support local organizations in countries to bring about lasting changes in the marine environment and coastal communities.

Applications are open to small and medium-sized organizations, local, regional and national: Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), research institutes and others.

Projects up to £250,000.

• The maximum duration of the project is until March 31, 2029.

#### Stages:

Project concept and ideas.

 How projects will work (Support from a help desk, webinars, and workshops to ensure the application accurately reflects the project's goals)

# Partnership Grants

Supporting large scale partnerships to deliver lasting change to the marine environment and coastal communities.

Applications are open to medium and large-scale organizations that can partner with local organizations and scale up effective solutions: Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), research institutes, and others.

- Projects from £250,000 to £3 million
- The maximum duration of the project is until March 31, 2029.

Stages:

 Applications will be made through a single-stage process, and some applicants will be invited to a more in-depth discussion with members of our Committee of Experts.

### **Key Facts**

- Sectors: Plastic pollution agenda.
- Delivery partner: NIRAS.
- Geography: Global scope.
- Operation in Colombia: 2024 TBC

