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**AA-BSN Report:
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Following a year-long collaborative process among more than 70 stakeholders at the Atlantic level, the All-Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance Multi-Stakeholder Platform, divided into 5 sub-multi-stakeholders platforms, identified more than 1000 initiatives towards strengthening marine research and innovation collaboration at the Atlantic level, 56 gaps and 79 needs/recommendations to achieve the All-Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance ambition, guided by a total of 20 Strategic Objectives, 20 Operational Objectives, and 10 Key Performance Indicators.

Based on these findings and on the idea of collaboration, alignment, and use of existing resources, they have developed six ambitious and long-term collaborative Joint Pilot Actions:

- [All-Atlantic Training Platform \(AA-TP\)](#)
- [All-Atlantic Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Platform \(AA-ATiP\)](#)
- [All-Atlantic Marine Biotechnology Initiative \(AA-BIOTECMAR\)](#)
- [All-Atlantic Data Enterprise 2030 \(AA-DATA2030\)](#)
- [All-Atlantic Blue Schools Network \(AA-BSN\)](#)
- [All-Atlantic Marine Research Infrastructure Network \(AA-MARINET\)](#)

This report is developed by the **All-Atlantic Blue Schools Network (AA-BSN)** Joint Pilot Action, that aims to connect schools from the Atlantic countries to rise and promote Ocean Literacy and society awareness, with no geographical, cultural, social, or language boundaries. The All-Atlantic Blue Schools Network is promoting a bottom-up process where each school builds its own project based on its socio-cultural-economic reality. Linking all schools together will enhance knowledge exchange and create synergies.

This report is a deliverable in scope of All-Atlantic Blue Schools Network (AA-BSN) Task 4 - Online courses (webinars and workshops) to empower All-Atlantic Blue School Teachers. At least two webinars and one workshop was foreseen to be developed annually to maintain a frequent connection and integration among schools from different Atlantic countries. The webinars and the workshop could involve students, teachers, industry, municipalities, NGO's, scientists, etc.





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SUMMARY

1. Summary

The AA-BSN developed a series of seminars and workshops that would focus on marine topics and educational process on ocean. The relevant marine topics are those aligned to the Belém Statement and the All-Atlantic Ocean Research and Innovation Alliance Declaration and also in synergy with other AANChOR JPAs and All-Atlantic sister and brother projects. It was an important tool to promote inclusion by translating for different languages, include short videos and messages from students and teachers from the AA-BSN and engage the transatlantic community.





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2. Webinars, workshops and invited presentations

The AA-BSN promoted 4 workshops (Table 1), 7 transatlantic webinars (Table 3) and was invited to present at 3 international events (Table 2) during the JPA development, in addition to the organization of side events to the All-Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance Forums (Ponta Delgada and Washington D.C.). We considered as outputs the activities that integrated countries and/or All-Atlantic brother projects and also included teachers and students from the Blue Schools.

Table 1: Workshops promoted by the AA-BSN (as of January 2023).

Event	Date	Title	Participation	Link
Workshop	13/11/2021	Ocean Literacy in partnership to AtlantECO in Santos, Brazil	Brazilian Blue School Network and AtlantECO	presential
Workshop	03/03/2022	Blue Schools Argo Workshop to South Africa's high schools learners	South Africa and Brazil (researchers, students, teachers)	Zoom activity
Workshop	27/06/2022	A Criar Gerações Boa Onda	Organized by the Portuguese Blue School Network promoting interactions with students from the other countries	https://escolaazul.pt/escola-azul/novidade/a-criar-geracoes-boa-onda presential and with audio-visual as outputs (Task 3)
Workshop	13/10/2022	Exchanging experiences: the All-Atlantic Ocean Youth Ambassadors and the Blue Schools Youth Ambassadors	3 AAOYA, 38 blue schools ambassadors from Brazil and 8 teachers from Brazil and Argentina	presential

Table 2: Events where AA-BSN was invited to present the goals and impacts (as of January 2023).

Event	Date	Title	Participation	Link
Invited	17/03/2022	Blue Talks in partnership to Embassies of Portugal and Kenya in Brazil	AA-BSN coordination	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=haqAeyYGiuY
Invited	29/06/2022	Blue School go Global	AA-BSN Coordination and National Coordinators	presential
Invited	29/06/2022	Ocean Literacy Dialogues	AA-BSN coordination, Portuguese Blue School Network	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FBHVB4LwoME&t=4175s



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Table 3: Webinars promoted by the AA-BSN (as of January 2023).

Event	Date	Title	Participation	Link
Webinar	02/06/2021	Launch of the AA-BSN	National coordinators, students, teachers	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCgyOBkjX0U&t=3114s
Webinar	22/02/2022	Seminar for Students of the International French School Jean Charcot of El Jadida (Morocco)	Morocco and Brasil (researchers, students, teachers)	Presential
Webinar	12/05/2022	Sharks of the Atlantic	Students from the AA-BSN, organized by National coordinators of Ireland, USA and UK	Zoom activity
Webinar	08/06/2022	UNESCO Campus – Ocean Day	Organized in partnership with the IOC UNESCO with students from Angola, Portugal and Brazil	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n9EpD1VN8eo
Webinar	10/10/2022	All-Atlantic Blue Schools Network Presentations	AA-BSN coordination and National Coordinators	EN: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHMIg8WmQIc&t=455s PT: https://youtu.be/ir1eWD6Uu2w
Webinar	11/02/2022	Museums and Aquariums	National Coordinators from Ireland and Argentina and AA-BSN stakeholders	EN: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9y9dtMERuXc PT: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80fRDeQkeTU&t=6s
Webinar	14/10/2022	From local to global: transformative experiences of the All-Atlantic Blue Schools Network	AA-BSN coordination, National Coordinators, Teachers from Brazil and Argentina	EN: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXF5H3NU6ns ; PT: https://youtu.be/vlDylsi-G58 ; ES: https://youtu.be/2e2UANuGj9U



4. Impact

The webinars and workshops integrated hundreds of students, teachers and researchers from different countries debating topics from the Belém Statement and the All-Atlantic Ocean Research and Innovation Alliance Declaration, as well as educational tools and learnings to promote awareness and ocean literacy. The online seminars reached more than 4,000 views while the presential workshops led by Blue Schools engaged more than 3,000 participants from Blue Schools and society both in Portugal and Brazil.

It is also important to highlight the special workshop that integrated All-Atlantic Ocean Youth Ambassadors from Morocco, Argentina and Brazil with Blue Schools Ambassadors from Brazil promoting a great moment of exchange of experiences, view and knowledge both on the ocean but also on the skills to be an ambassador. This workshop was an example where language barriers were overcome and had a great impact on the participants.



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