

Science – Policy Training February 2022

Macquarie University in partnership with the Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA) will be conducting science to policy training in February 2022.

Objectives

The workshop aims to:

- help participants increase their knowledge of the barriers and opportunities of translating science to policy
- provide participants with the skills to facilitate and improve science-based policymaking.
- provide participants with a better understanding of the science to policy transfer targeting issues such as stakeholder engagement, scientific uncertainty and complexity, and science communication.

Linked to the workshop is an action research project that will involve participants and seek to reveal where and how to improve science to policy transfer.

Who can participate:

This workshop is open to researchers, government officials, and the NGO sector who are conducting research in the West Indian Ocean (WIO) region, and in particular those directly supported by or affiliated with WIOMSA research grants. We are especially encouraging early-career researchers to participate.

When

The workshop will be held over three consecutive ½ day sessions in the morning, East Africa Time, on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th of February 2022.

To be eligible to participate you must:

- Commit to attend all three workshops
- Undertake individual and group activities
- Complete the set readings prior to the workshops
- Have been involved in or affiliated with a WIOMSA funded research project or any research that serves the objectives of WIOMSA for the WIO region
- Be a scientist from an institution in the WIO country undertaking marine and coastal research in the WIO region.

How to nominate:

To register your interest please follow this [link](#) to fill out a registration.

Participants will be selected on the basis of:

- Representation across the 10 countries in the WIOMSA region
- A diversity of research areas
- Gender
- Role or position in government, NGO or a research institution
- Your statement of interest.

