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Links between biodiversity and carbon sequestration in shallow ecosystems

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IPCC SROCC. A clarion wake up call



The Ocean and Cryosphere

Climate change makes the ocean:

• higher

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- warmer
- more acidic
- see heat waves
- hold less oxygen
- less productive
- less predictable

Jane Lubchenco, AUG 2020



Scenarios for the Baltic Sea

Temperature







-3,0-2,8-2,6-2,4-2,2-2,0-1,8-1,6-1,4-1,2-1,0-0,8-0,6-0,4-0,2-0,0





Water temperature at 31 m



Baltic Sea Centre Stockholm

Tvärminne Zoological Station, at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland

Tropical temperatures in the marine environment during the heatwave of 2018





Study on greenhouse gas emissions during the heatwave of 2018







Massive methane emissions detected





Ocean based mitigation options: From victim to solution

Figure ES-1. Ocean-based Mitigation Options Explored in This Report and Associated Annual Mitigation Potential in 2050





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Potential for sea-based measures

Figure ES-4. Contribution of Five Ocean-based Climate Action Areas to Mitigating Climate Change in 2050 (Maximum GtCO₂e)



Notes: * To stay under a 1.5°C change relative to pre-industrial levels

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