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Project Name	Project Tangaroa
Project URL	<a href="https://www.project-tangaroa.org/">https://www.project-tangaroa.org/</a>
Project Description	<p>Project Tangaroa is a collaboration between The Ocean Foundation (TOF), Lloyd’s Register Foundation, and Waves Group. It is supported through the LRF funded Threats to Our Ocean Heritage project that TOF runs and is an endorsed Decade Action. Groups involved in the project include Major Projects Foundation, ICOMOS-ICUCH, IUCN, International Maritime Organisation, and participants from the UK, Baltic, North America, Pacific, and the Arctic region. Pollution from PPWs is a cross-border problem, affecting global society, the environment and economies. It has serious threats and negative impacts on wildlife, marine ecosystems, coastal communities (food, livelihoods, and habitability), human health and safety (Hazardous and Noxious Substances, munitions, chemicals) and locks in high costs for emergency response and remediation. Pro-active action on PPWs will reduce costs and reduce the risk and impact of these threats. Tangaroa brings together experts for a series of workshops. The workshops convene an international network of researchers, industry experts and stakeholders to discuss this issue and by the end have developed a Global Framework for the Near- and Long-Term Assessment, Intervention and Sharing of Data for Potentially Polluting Wrecks and an International Standard and protocols for PPW assessment and intervention. The aim is to demonstrate improved methodologies for proactive risk management and cost reductions, with a technology roadmap to optimise PPW management. This tool-kit will provide assurance to stakeholders and policy makers and therefore facilitate the aggregation of multilateral finance required to boost resilience. Workshop 1 was held in London in March and served as an introduction to the project as well as in-depth discussions about the governance and regulatory framework for PPWs. The workshop had 54 in-person attendees representing 38 organisations and 11 organisations represented in online attendance. Workshop 2 was just held in Helsinki with 64 in-person and 32 online. The discussion theme was technology and methodology for PPW assessment and intervention. Workshop 3 is scheduled for March 2025, in Malta, and will focus on archives and dissemination of cultural heritage data for PPWs.</p>
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