

EXAMPLE TEMPLATE

2 HR Session: possibly one hour of guidance and presentations and one hour of discussion and synthesis)

1. Pre-defined high-level recommendations based on [Community White Papers](#) and documented needs from various national agencies, international programs, and priority user needs identified for the next decade. These recommendations will be made available prior to the OceanObs'19 conference. They will inform recommendations generated by each Breakout Session.
2. Short presentations by discussion leaders summarizing/synthesizing relevant high-level recommendations and other priority issues based on [Community White Papers](#) and other documents.
3. Open discussion and polls. The discussion should generate possible action items or roadmaps. The conference organizers will offer the use of polling apps that allow for instantaneous audience response and participation, thus facilitating large groups to provide input.
4. Identify post-conference activities and programs to carry out over the coming decade (e.g., international programs, including the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030), Convention on Biological Diversity, IPCC, IPBES, capacity building, technology development, etc.). These activities and programs should be of national to international scope.
5. Breakout Session leads will provide a 5-minute report back to the conference plenary the morning following their session.