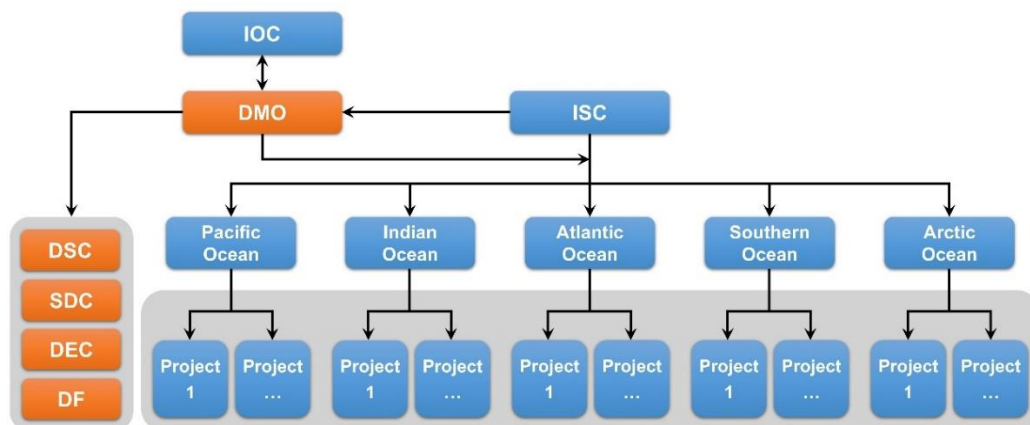




Management structure of the DOME programme

An effective management structure will be established to coordinate and manage all aspects of the DOME programme (Figure 1). The management structure includes the DMO (and the Secretariat), ISC, DSC, SDC, DEC, and the DOME Foundation. The DOME Foundation is a nonprofit organization with its missions dedicated to the Ocean—promoting the ocean culture and stewardship, exploring the Ocean to better understand and protect it, and sharing scientific knowledge to increase public awareness. The ISC will oversee, direct, and support the DOME programme, and review and recommend new DOME project(s). The Secretariat prepares and submits action plans, implementation outlines and annual reports for consideration by the ISC. It should also maintain good communication with UN/IOC to report on the implementation and progress of the programme, and guide the operation of the DSC, SDC, and DEC.

Five regional subcommittees for the Pacific, Indian, Atlantic, Arctic, and Southern Oceans will be established in the programme. Each regional subcommittee is responsible for overseeing and advancing the implementation of projects in the region to ensure that the outputs/outcomes meet the objectives of the DOME programme, and for interacting with regional stakeholders to ensure complementarity and collaboration over the region.



IOC: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
ISC: International Steering Committee
DMO: DOME Management Office
DSC: DOME Science Center
SDC: Sample and Data Center
DEC: DOME Education Center
DF: DOME Foundation

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The SDC is responsible for the coordination, management, and sharing of data and samples involved in the programme. The DEC is responsible for organizing international training courses and workshops, while the DSC will be charged with coordinating and supporting project participants in organizing thematic seminars, symposia, and international exchange activities. Every year end DOME will sponsor



the “DOME International Ocean Science and Management Symposium” (DIOSMS), a platform for cross-disciplinary dialogue among scientist, stakeholders, decision-makers, and the public, with the aim to advance fundamental understanding of deep ocean ecosystems and the influence of human activities, including climate change.