

Once upon a time, scientific fairy tales promoting the discovery, protection and use of the Ocean

ONCE UPON A TIME TEAM MEMBERS

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“Once upon a time: a scientific fairy tale” is a project that aims to communicate science and promote the dialogue between scientists and the general public by creating short stories (tales) with scientific content in a simple language. The target audience for these stories is adults with a connection to children from different countries.

For this purpose, we have established a network of young scientists from different countries around the world and different research fields: marine geochemistry, marine microbiology, marine geology, marine ecology and human impact on the oceans. We are writing short stories with focus on climate change in the oceans, more specifically covering the themes: discover, protection and use.

All the stories will be initially published online via media platforms (social media/interactive websites) to promote and distribute their content and obtain feedback from the audience. Furthermore, in order to study the real impact of the scientific tales in the society, we will perform readings at different events, e.g. Open Campus of the University of Bremen. The final product of the project will be an illustrated ebook in different languages (English, German and more).

The project is one of the winner projects of the competition “Hochschulwettbewerb im Wissenschaftsjahr 2016*17 – Meere un Ozeane” (*see more information in <http://www.hochschulwettbewerb.net/gewinnerprojekte/>*) of the German foundation “Wissenschaft im Dialog”.