EcoSummit 2020 will be structured around symposia, sessions, workshops and forums to unite attendees in presenting, assessing and developing research and strategies dealing with pressing problems.

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- Coastal development and engineering
- Beaches
- Coral reef stressors
- Coastal conservation
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- Oceanography
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- Marine ecology
- Rivers, catchments and wetlands
- Sea level rise and ocean warming
- Pacific Island Resilience
- Ecosystem services
- Environmental policies and frameworks
- Citizen Science and local actors (NGOs)
- Ecotourism
- Aboriginal rights and land use
- Ecosystem creation and restoration
- Ecological economics
- Biological invasions
- Anthropogenic pressure
- Sustainability and resilience
- Integrating socio-economics and ecology
- Climate adaptation and mitigation
- Fragile ecosystems and hotspot management
- Ecosystem health
- Ecological indicators
- Ecological modelling
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- Disturbance ecology
- Ecological complexity
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In the current context of an increasing world population, in particular in coastal regions, it is evident that building sustainable cities and using resources sustainably is inevitable. It is envisaged that the Summit will produce a declaration encompassing its vision and policy recommendations.

Honorary Guest Speaker
Sylvia Earle, President and Chairman, Mission Blue / The Sylvia Earle Alliance

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Kate Auty, ACT Commissioner for Sustainability and Environment, Australia
Robert Costanza, Crawford School of Public Policy at Australian National University, Australia
Brian Fath, Towson University, USA
Lorenzo Fioramonti, Former Minister of Education, Italy
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Jigmi Y. Thinley, Prime Minister of Bhutan (2008-2013) / World Leadership Alliance - Club de Madrid / Asian Peace and Reconciliation Council
John Veron, “Godfather of Coral”, Corals of the World