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This Circular is to inform everyone in the IWC community of an opportunity to raise awareness of the Commission and its work.

At the end of last year, I was delighted to accept an offer to collaborate with the ocean science magazine *ECO: Environment, Coastal and Offshore*. *ECO* offered IWC the opportunity to work together on an issue focused on Marine Mammals which will be published in April.

ECO's readers represent a range of stakeholders in the global ocean community. They have a media partnership with *Frontiers in Marine Science* and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission in support of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030). *ECO* is published quarterly with digital and print versions as well as a special digital series which aims to 'showcase solutions to the ocean's most prevalent issues.' Topics covered in 2021 include the [UN Ocean Decade](#) (produced in partnership with **IOC UNESCO**) and [Rising Seas](#) (produced in partnership with **NOAA** and **The Ocean Foundation**).

The proposed sections of the April special edition on Marine Mammals are set out below (noting that this is an early outline and may be amended by the *ECO* editorial team). Members of the IWC community are encouraged to submit articles under these headings. As ever, we strive to reflect all viewpoints and priorities and I encourage submissions that reflect the full range and diversity of IWC work. Anyone with questions or seeking support to submit an article can contact secretariat@iwc.int for assistance.

Section 1: Today's Threats and Mitigations

Section 2: Latest Research

Section 3: Status

Section 4: Looking to the Future

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