

Veta Wade

Ocean Data Storyteller & Community Capacity Builder

- Supporting Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Territories to Lead Ocean Science through Local Engagement
- Founder of Fish 'N Fins Inc., Montserrat passionate about regenerative ocean stewardship and community empowerment through storytelling, science, and technology.

What I do

- Share ocean data stories blending traditional ecological knowledge and marine science
- Help build local capacity for community-led ocean data collection and stewardship
- Collaborate on co-design and deployment of affordable, open-source ocean monitoring tools
- Create educational content encouraging STEAM learning, inclusion, and ocean care
- Support partnerships amplifying grassroots voices in ocean conservation

Why Work Together

I bring lived experience and a deep commitment to learning and growing with communities, combining practical knowledge with science. I strive to be a collaborative partner and advocate for locally-led ocean stewardship and equitable data ownership.

Regional and Collaborative Work

- Lead researcher on the <u>Deepwater Pilot Project</u> in Montserrat, a community-driven marine monitoring initiative
- Co-author of the World Bank-funded report, <u>Global Industrial and Technological Trends in the Blue Economy & Policies to Promote Growth in the Caribbean</u>, contributing regional blue economy insights and strategies
- Contributor to a UN paper on <u>Strengthening Civil Society</u>
 Engagement and Partnerships for the Antigua and Barbuda Agenda. (ABAS)
- Committed to equitable, inclusive, and community-centered approaches

Portfolio & Contact

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How I Can Support You

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Service	What's Included	Typical Investment
Storytelling & Communication	Writing, video, and audio content conveying community ocean data stories	Custom
Capacity Building & Training	Workshops, curricula, and digital resources tailored to local contexts	From \$3,000 USD/contract
Tech Integration Support	Co-design, testing, and adaptation of ocean monitoring tools	Custom
Partnership Facilitation	Building collaborative links among communities, international NGOs, and scientists	Custom
Public Speaking & Keynotes	Engaging presentations on community-driven ocean conservation, data storytelling, blue economy insights, and inclusive capacity building	Custom