

ERA-MBT Final Conference: 'Oceans of opportunities'
PRODUCT INNOVATION & DIFFERENTIATION

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THE QUESTION

How can the actions stated in Marine Biotechnology Strategic Research & Innovation Roadmap (ERA_NET MB) be addressed in future marine biotechnology based R&D&I activities?

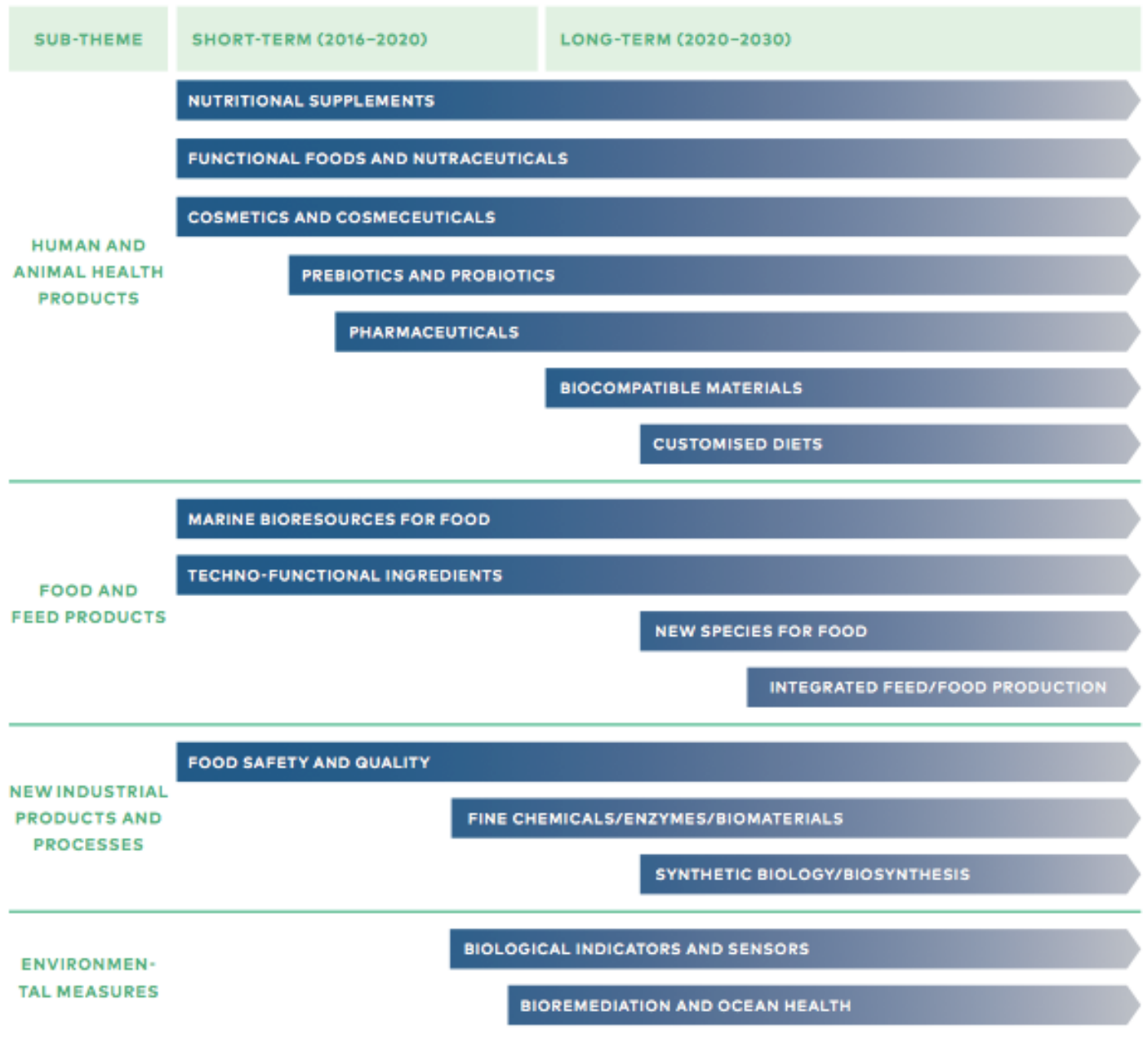


FIGURE 6 Product innovation and differentiation

THE ANSWER

*To think future marine biotechnology based R&D&I activities we must look at society biggest challenges and **re-think** how can we use the power within blue biotech to unlock novel solutions...*

OUR CHANGING WORLD...

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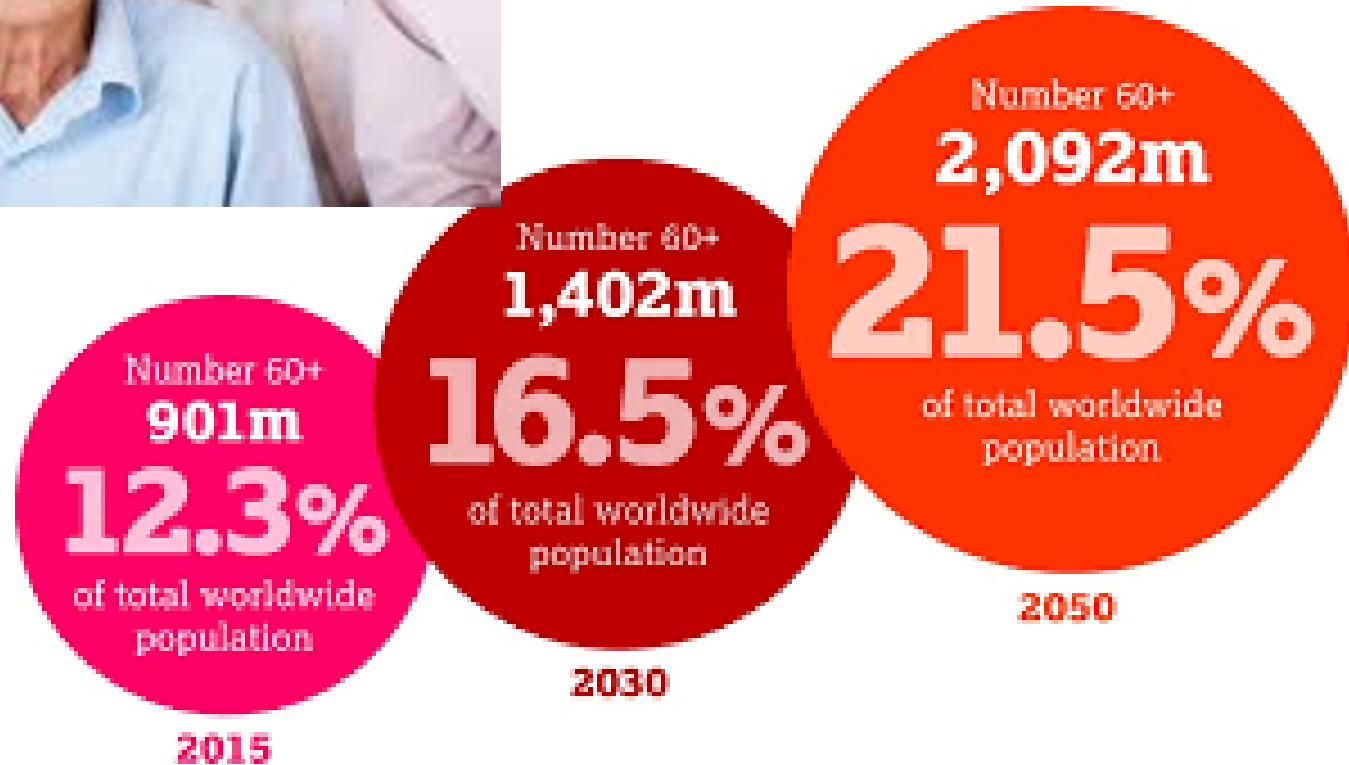
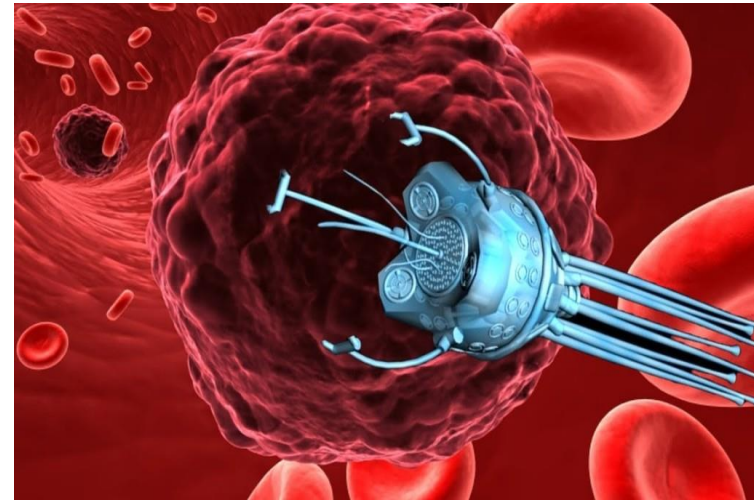
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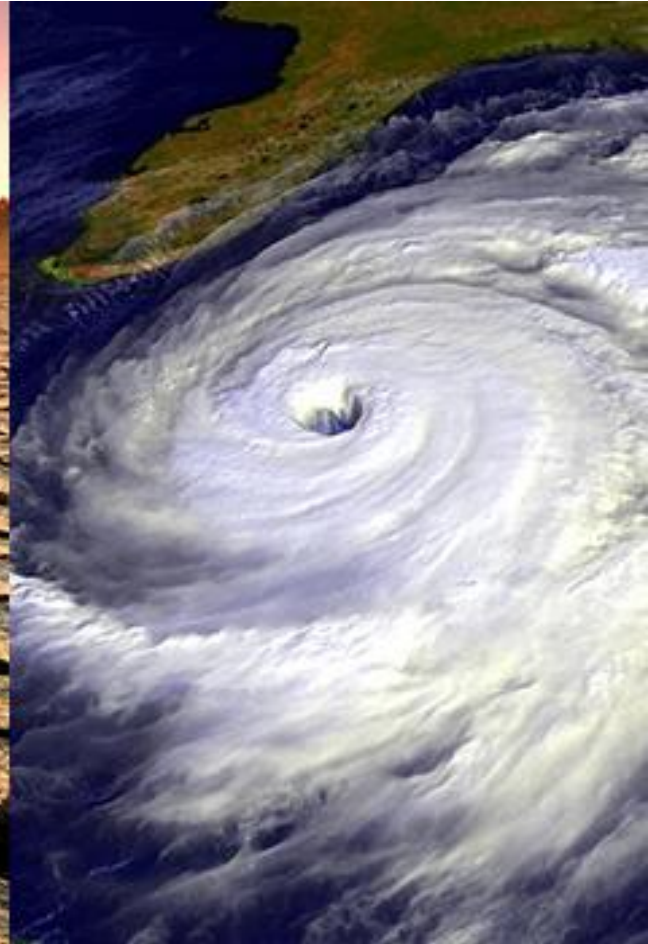
2. FOOD SUPPLY & SECURITY



3. AGING POPULATION & WELLBEING



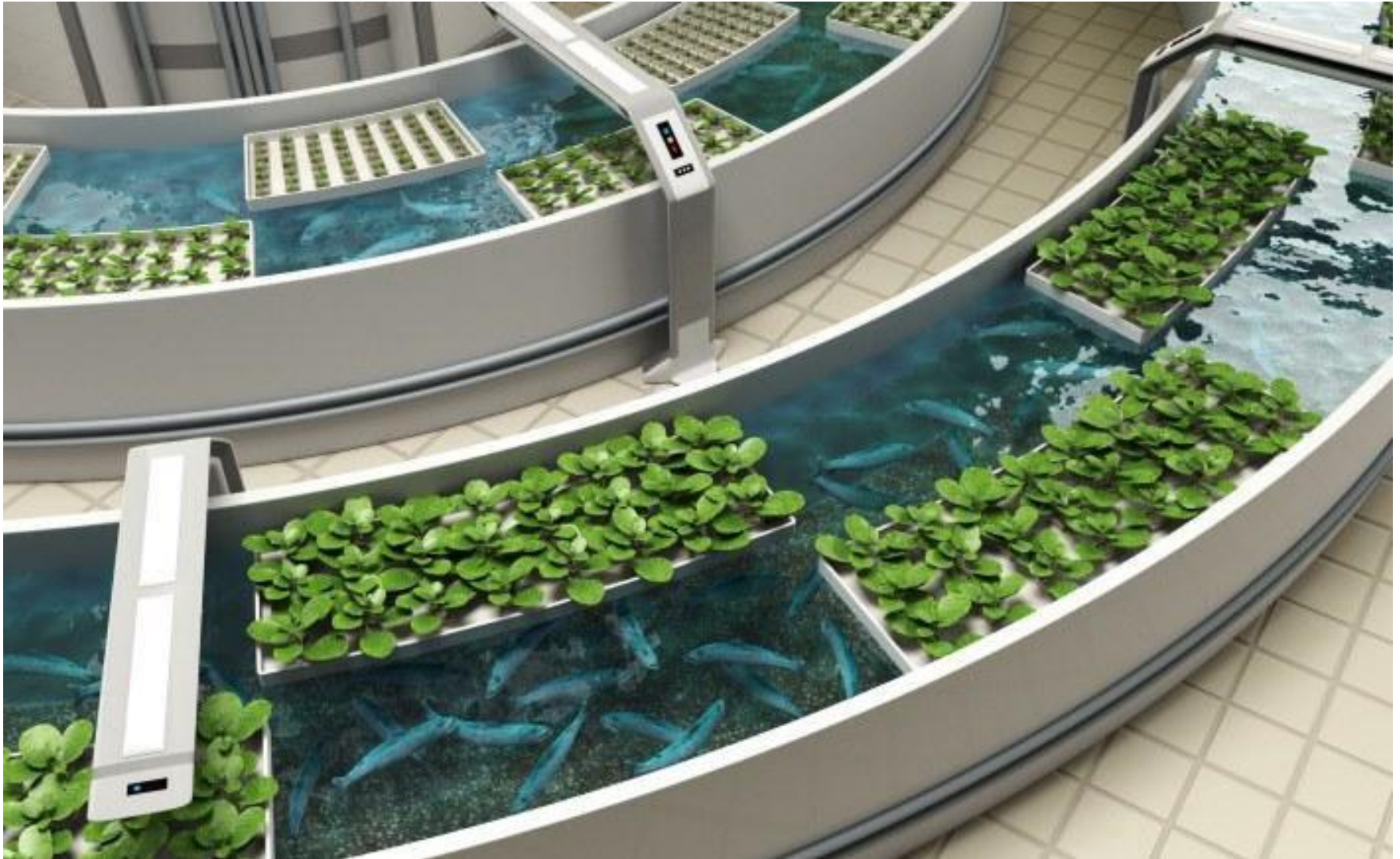
4. CLIMATE CHANGE



5. SCARCITY OF RESOURCES



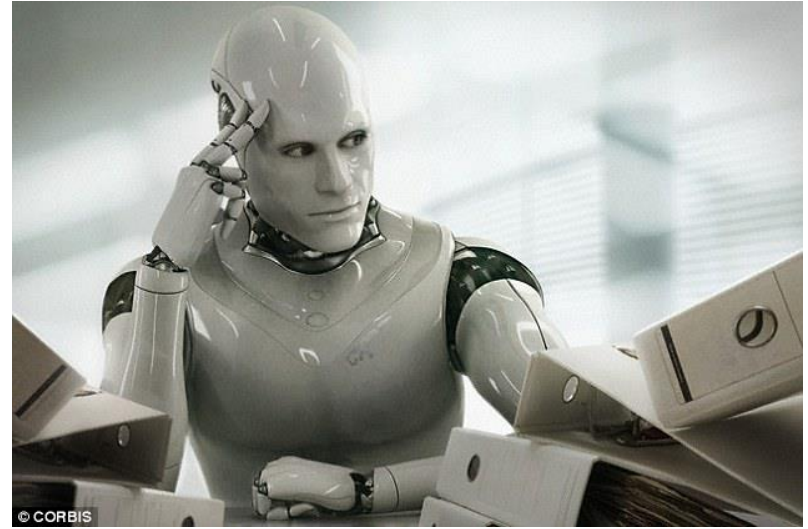
6. SUSTAINABLE BLUE & GREEN ECONOMY



7. MOBILITY & TRANSPORTATION/ CLEAN ENERGY & EFFICIENCY



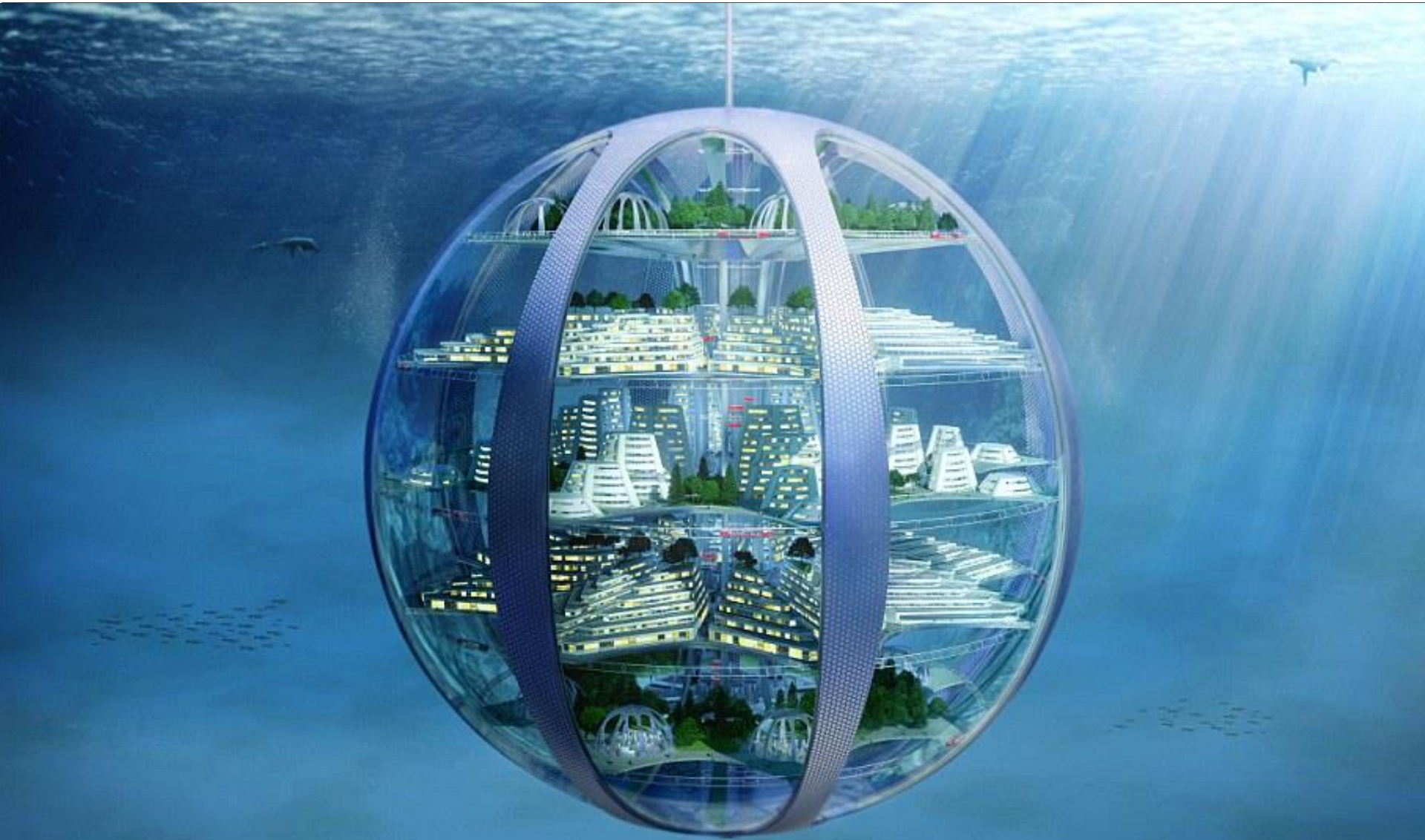
8. EVOLUTION OF TECHNOLOGY & AI



9. INNOVATIVE & INTEGRATIVE GLOBAL WORLD



10. NEW FRONTIERS



A person in a scuba suit is silhouetted against a bright blue light source at the end of a narrow, rocky cave passage. The light creates a strong glow and illuminates the surrounding rock walls, which are dark and textured. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and futuristic.

***HOW CAN BLUE BIOTECHNOLOGY HELP
AND BE PART OF THIS CHANGING WORLD?***

IMAGINE... CREATE...EXECUTE....

1. GROWING POPULATION



- NEW BLUE MATERIALS

- Construction
- Low impact/Circular
- Sustainable
- Textil & functional

2. FOOD SUPPLY & SECURITY



- **FISH STOCKS MANAGEMENT**
 - Add more value/kg
- **AQUACULTURE/IMTA**
 - Farm new species
 - Holistic farming
 - New feeds & proteins



2. FOOD SUPPLY & SECURITY

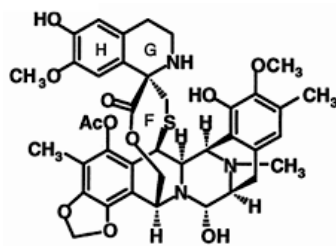


- NEW FOODS/NUTRITIONAL
 - Novel formats, species
- ZERO WASTE/BIOREFINERY
 - Add more value/Kg
 - Circular economy



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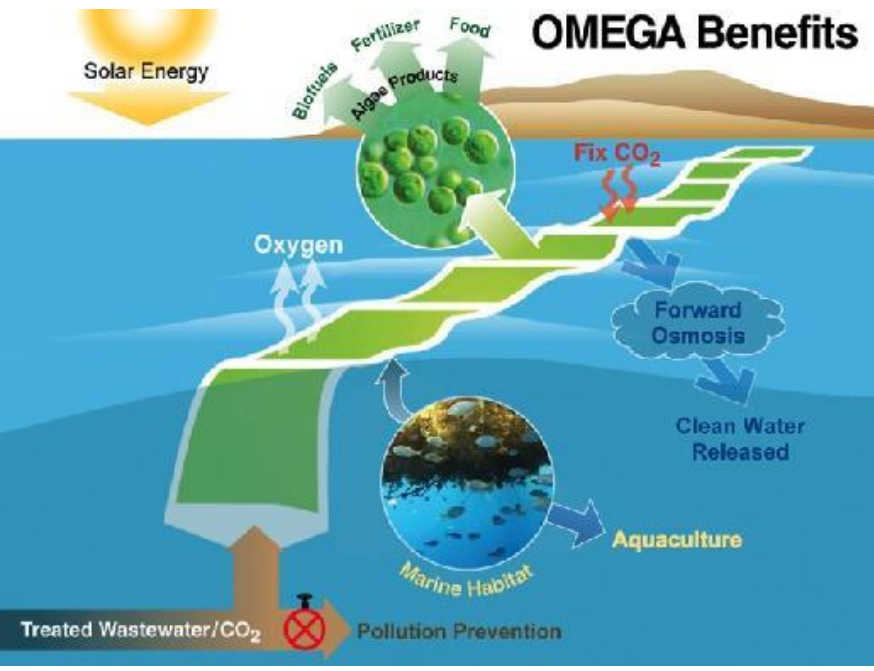
- BIOPROSPECTION & BIODIVERSITY
- NOVEL BIOCOMPOUNDS
- NOVEL BLUE MEDICINES
- NOVEL THERAPIES
- NOVEL BIOMATERIALS FOR MEDICINE



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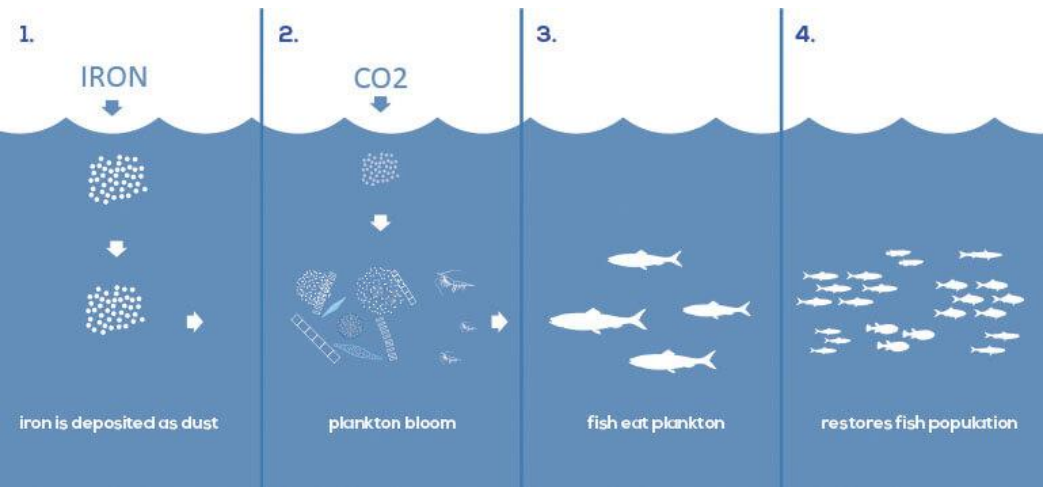


4. CLIMATE CHANGE



- CO₂ Capture
- Ocean Cooling/fertilization
- Clean Energy (biobased)
- New Biomaterials & enzymes
- Circular economy
- New Biosensors (to measure)

OCEAN IRON FERTILIZATION



5. SCARCITY OF RESOURCES



- Ocean resources value \$21 trillion
- <5% biodiversity known or explored
- Microbial diversity
- Lower impact operations of production or extraction
- farming/aquaculture
- Blue Biotechnology as sustainable method
- Circular economy

5. SCARCITY OF RESOURCES



■ World Distribution of Deep Seabed Mineral Resources



■ Manganese nodules ■ Cobalt-rich crust ■ Hydrothermal deposits

- 80% world minerals are underwater
- Technology development for lower impact alternatives
- Blue Biotechnology alternatives (Mineral Bugs)
- Circular economy & mineral recycling

6. SUSTAINABLE BLUE & GREEN ECONOMY

THE AQUAPONICS CYCLE

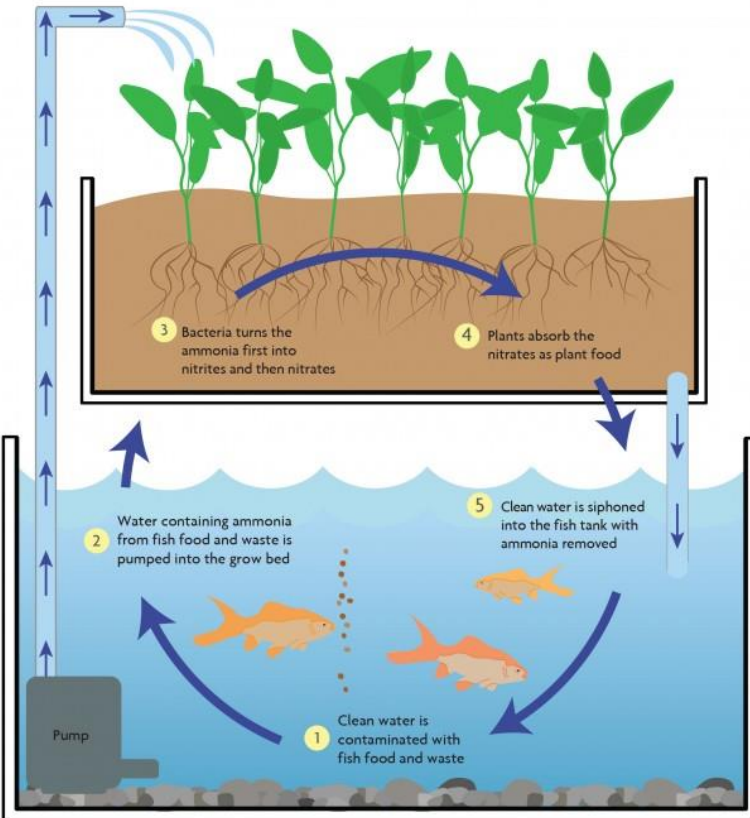


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- Agricultural substrates, boosters, nutrition and pest control from marine bioresources
- Aquaponics feed & system components
- Blue Biotechnology
- Circular economy & zero waste

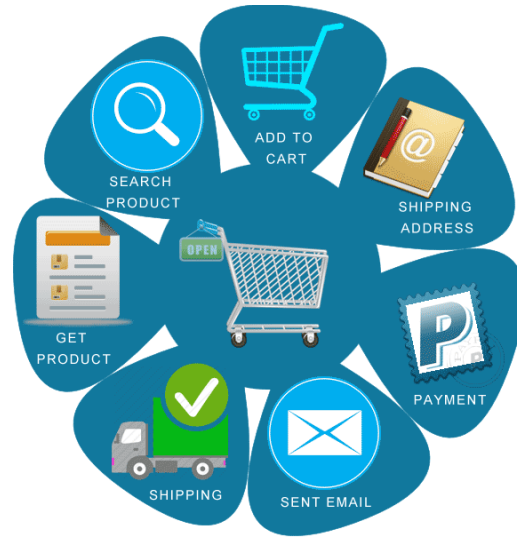
7. MOBILITY & TRANSPORTATION/ CLEAN ENERGY & EFFICIENCY



- Green fuel for ships and cars
(biofermentation/algae)
- Ocean cities & biomaterials
- Blue Biotechnology

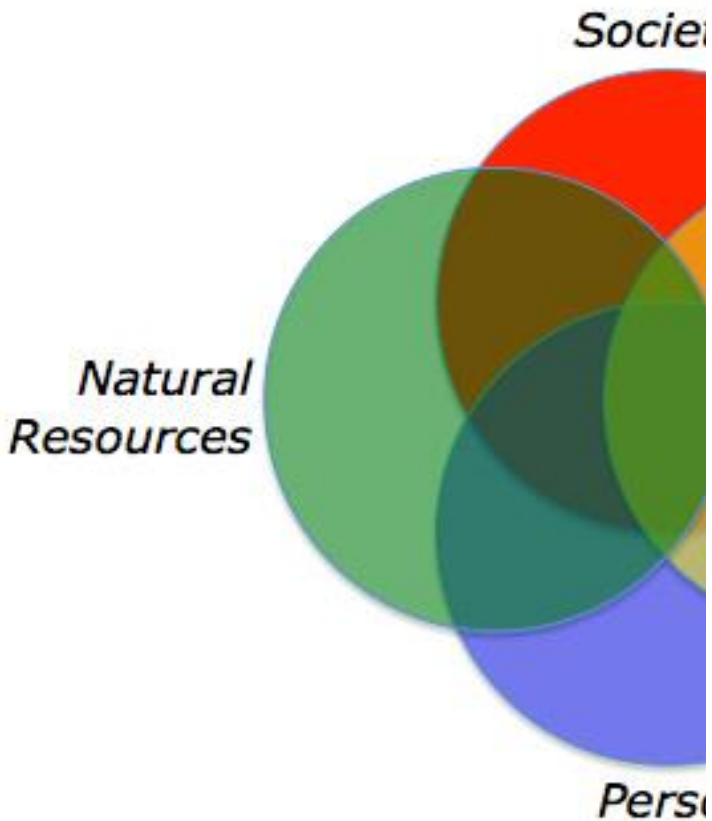


8. EVOLUTION OF TECHNOLOGY & AI



- Industry 4.0 upgrade
- Blue IoT
- Zero waste processes
- New markets & channels
- New costumers for blue
- Technology development
- Going beyond current frontiers...

9. INNOVATIVE & INTEGRATIVE GLOBAL WORLD

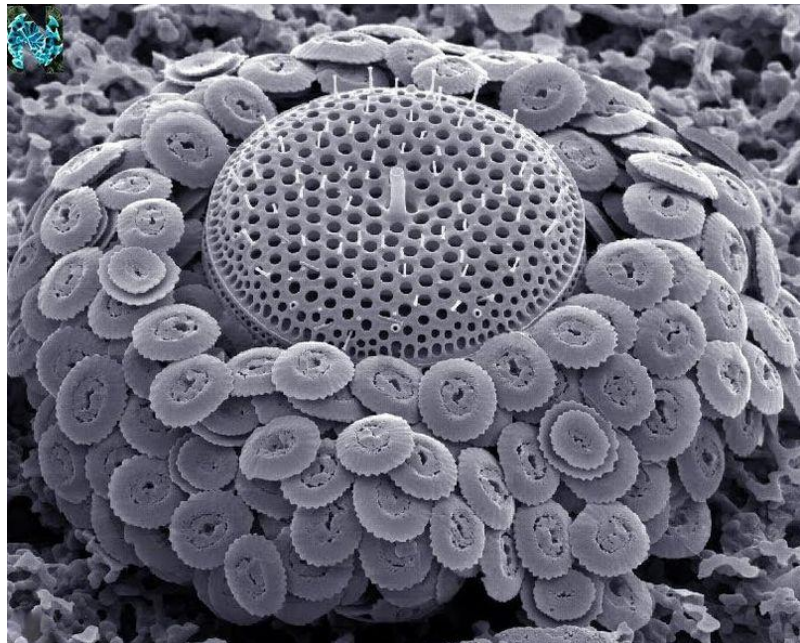
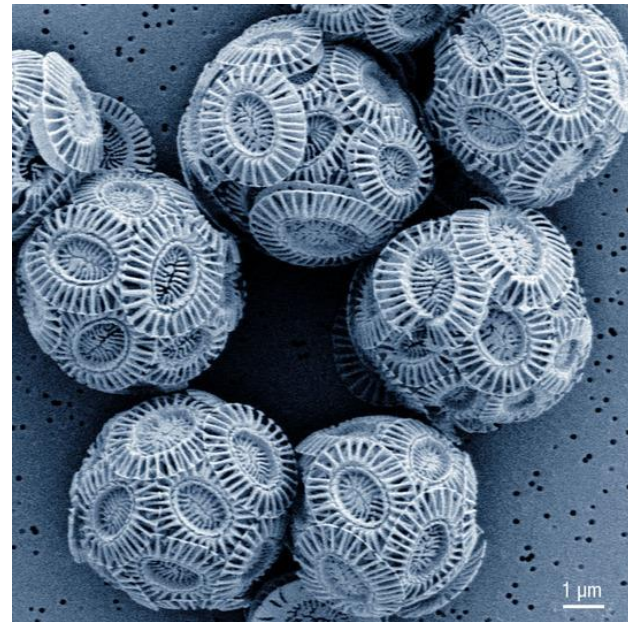


- Train the next generation
- Retain talent near Blue resources
- Migration patterns and local needs
- Develop local communities, training and solutions
- Sharing Ocean and water – innovation w/ different “eyes”

10. NEW FRONTIERS



- NOVEL BIOMATERIALS
- 3D BIOPRINTING
- BLUE BIOTECHNOLOGY FABRICATION
- SMART CITIES/SMART OCEAN



A diver is silhouetted against a bright blue light source at the end of a narrow, dark cave passage. The light creates a strong glow and illuminates the cave walls and the diver's form. The overall scene is dark and atmospheric, with the blue light being the primary color source.

WHO CAN IMPLEMENT THIS?

ENTREPRENEURS

Entrepreneurship – the pursuit of an opportunity beyond the resources one currently has under control.

(source: Berkley, 2006)



- GO BEYOND CURRENT BORDERS!
- ACKNOWLEDGE UNKNOWN; FOSTER TRIAL & ERROR R&D&I!
- LEAVE SPACE FOR CREATIVITY AND WILD EXPERIMENTS!
- PROMOTE FAST-2-MARKET INNOVATIONS TO HELP FINANCE AND FEED "IMAGINE PIPELINE"!

FIGURE 6 Product innovation and differentiation

IMAGINE A BLUE SOCIETY...

- A boat using the energy of waves for propulsion or feed by blue microbial broth
- That blue microbial biomass is used for new compounds for agricultural purposes
- A reactor using microalgae to extract CO₂ from atmosphere & produce food and feed
- Buildings made out of biomaterials and biomimetics from blue inspiration and production
- Novel Blue medicines to heal current untreatable diseases
- Seawalls made out of corals to protect our coasts
- Marine bacteria recycling and purifying water and waste
- Healthy and sustainable protein to feed our population
- Innovative blue cities
- A world in blue harmony....

THANK YOU!



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