

Farah Obaidullah

Ocean Advocate | Ed: The Ocean and Us | Founder The Ocean and Us



Farah has successfully executed campaigns to end destructive fishing practices including in West Africa, the Pacific and the North Atlantic. She has worked with coastal communities, lobbied for protected areas at sea and is currently campaigning to stop deep-sea mining from happening on the High Seas.

Farah is the editor of the book: The Ocean and Us. A book that explores all the ways our lives interact with the ocean.

Farah's platform Women4Oceans has attracted 5000 women from more than 70 countries to the growing movement to protect our ocean.

"The Ocean is the stuff of fantasy and ferocity, excitement and exploration, magnificent yet mysterious. The ocean underpins all life on earth providing us with the oxygen we breathe, food, jobs and recreation. Yet it is under immense threat from climate change, overfishing and pollution. My mission is to mobilize the power of people and our diversity for a healthy ocean".
– Farah Obaidullah

ABOUT FARAH

Farah grew up determined to protect life in the ocean. She has earned a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a Master of Science in Environmental Technology both from Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine in London. After four years consulting on the environment for the private sector, Farah returned to her life-long commitment to the ocean. Over the past twenty years she has been working on Ocean Conservation around the world. She has visited some of the most beautiful and remote oceanic places on earth. At the same time, she has witnessed first-hand the most egregious practices happening to our ocean today. In all her work and travels Farah was struck by the lack of diversity and inclusion in ocean conservation.

To remedy this Farah founded Women4Oceans (W4O), a platform that elevates women in the ocean space. Farah is also the founder of the non-profit: The Ocean and Us. Farah has been invited to speak at numerous events to a range of audiences, including on a panel with renowned US Presidential Candidate Ralph Nader in Washington DC.

"Farah has the uncanny ability to capture the full attention of the audience with her relaxed approach and vast knowledge of her subject matter. A rare talent indeed.... I was so enthralled by her content, passion and poised delivery that I clear forgot about where I was."
Belinda Botha
Operations Director/Instructor Trainer
DIVE MUNDA

"Who can talk about the ocean better than one who has spent well over a decade working for the ocean. Farah is an original thinker and an encyclopaedic brain trust of marine conservation knowledge. Farah for the ocean is like a great free dive with perfect visibility and warm calm water. So good ..."
Mark Benjamin
Filmmaker - OCEAN WARRIORS
New York, NY

"Farah's lecture at the National Maritime Museum was engaging, informative and visually compelling. The audience was captivated both by her and her topic. I'd be delighted to bring her back, as she is an excellent speaker!"
Colette Loll
Founder/Director
ART FRAUD INSIGHTS

"Farah speaks to an audience in a calm and engaging manner that invites you to listen and absorb the information provided. She has an ability to teach without coming across as preachy and engage the audience on both an intellectual and emotional level."
Kristin Anderson,
Head organizer
EARTH DAY THE HAGUE

"I believe social injustice and environmental crimes are inherently linked. Humanity is plagued by many woes including greed, terrorism, war, and a lack of respect for the natural world and our fellow beings. In order to turn the tide and achieve true harmony across cultures, race and religion as well as with our environment, we must restore the balance of gender and equality through education and empowerment".
 – Farah



KEYNOTE

From documenting fish crimes on the High Seas away from the eyes of law enforcement, to diving in some of the world's most unique marine ecosystems, Farah promises to deliver compelling stories of both courage and hope. She will take the audience on a journey that informs, inspires and invokes awe. Given her vast experience across ocean issues, Farah can tailor her storytelling to suit the needs of the audience. Themes she covers include: **ocean pollution, labour abuse & slavery** in the seafood sector, what it means to choose **sustainable seafood, fish crimes**, the looming threat of **deep-sea mining**, and the implications of **climate change** on ocean life and coastal communities. Farah shares her own **personal journey** with the ocean, what it's like at sea and her goals to safeguard ocean health.



To secure Farah as a speaker for your next event, please send an email to fyobaidullah@gmail.com

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Farah diving at approximately 24 meters deep along side a tuna purse seiner in the High Seas of the Central Western Pacific Ocean.

Farah's public speaking experience – a selection:



Farah has written guest blogs, features or been featured in among others:

