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We're changing our name - Welcome to The Skimmer!

A bit of big news from us: MEAM is going to be changing its name to The Skimmer on Marine Ecosystems and Management – or The Skimmer, for short – next month. This new name (which in long form still references our old name MEAM) comes with an amazing new logo designed by Larrea Young of [Little Knids](#). What's not changing? Our focus on bringing you critical insights for the sustainable management and conservation of marine ecosystems.

Why the change you ask? About a year ago, we started experimenting with a new type of feature – “Skimmers” – with the aim of providing a quick synopsis (a “bird’s eye view” if you will) of the latest news and research on a topic. We have covered [ocean plastics](#), [climate-related changes in the Arctic](#), [how weather and climate extremes are impacting the ocean](#), [managing ocean ecosystems in a changing climate](#), [what managers should know about ocean bacteria and viruses](#), and (this month) [gender](#) as Skimmer articles, and are now taking this as the name of the publication. Not all of our articles will be in this specific format, although many will be. And in general the new name represents the type of [integrative and easily and rapidly digestible information](#) that marine conservation and management practitioners need – and which we’ll continue to provide.

And we would also add that The Skimmer is a lot more fun to say than MEAM and is the name of a gorgeous seabird...

Other details: URLs are staying the same, so keep heading to <https://meam.openchannels.org> and keep looking for emails from meam@list.openchannels.org. Our new editorial email address will be skimmer@octogroup.org, but we’ll still respond to the old one if you forget!

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