

Expert Group Meeting on Oceans, Seas and Sustainable Development: Implementation and follow-up to Rio+20

**18-19 April 2013
Teachers Building
730 Third avenue (btw.45th and 46th street)
Meeting room TB-10102 (10th floor)
New York, New York**

Final programme

Organizer:
United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

THURSDAY, 18 APRIL 2013

8:30-9:00 **On-Site Registration**

OPENING SESSION

9:00-9:15	OPENING STATEMENT	RIO+20 AND BEYOND MR. NIKHIL SETH, DIRECTOR, DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNDESA
9:15-9:45	KEYNOTE ADDRESSES	AMBASSADOR ISABELLE PICCO , PERMANENT MISSION OF MONACO TO THE UNITED NATIONS MS. PAULA CABALLERO , DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, COLOMBIA (UNABLE TO ATTEND – WILL SUBMIT SPEECH)
09:45-10:00	TOUR DE TABLE	(GROUP PHOTO)
10:00-10:15	COFFEE BREAK	INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMME OF EXPERT MEETING MR. RALPH WAHNSCHAFFT, ACTING CHIEF, SIDS, OCEANS AND CLIMATE BRANCH, DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNDESA

SESSION I **INTRODUCTORY OVERVIEW: OCEANS AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

CO-CHAIRS: MS. WENDY WATSON-WRIGHT, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL, UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC) AND MR. ANDREW HUDSON, UN-OCEANS COORDINATOR AND HEAD, WATER AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME, BUREAU FOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY, UNDP

10:15-10:30	UNCLOS AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (INCL. REGULAR PROCESS AND AD HOC OPEN-ENDED INFORMAL WORKING GROUP -CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF MARINE BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY BEYOND AREAS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION)	MR. VLADIMIR JARES, DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN CHARGE OF DIVISION FOR OCEAN AFFAIRS AND THE LAW OF THE SEA (UN-DOALOS), OFFICE OF LEGAL AFFAIRS (OLA)
10:30-11:15	SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES AND OCEANS	AMBASSADOR RONALD JUMEAU, AMBASSADOR FOR SIDS AND CLIMATE CHANGE, SEYCHELLES
	SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES AND CLIMATE CHANGE	MS. ELIZABETH THOMPSON, FORMER MINISTER FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT OF BARBADOS AND EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR FOR THE RIO+20 CONFERENCE, EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL
	PREPARATORY PROCESS FOR SIDS CONFERENCE 2014	MS. HIROKO MORITA-LOU, CHIEF, SIDS UNIT, DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNDESA
11:15-11:30	CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RIO+20 OCEAN OUTCOME	DR. BILIANA CICIN-SAIN, PRESIDENT, GLOBAL OCEANS FORUM AND DIRECTOR, GERARD J. MANGONE CENTER FOR MARINE POLICY, UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE
11:30-12:00	QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION	
12:00-13:30	LUNCH BREAK	

SESSION II OCEANS-RELATED ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

CO-CHAIRS: MS. ALICE HICUBURUNDI, SENIOR LEGAL OFFICER, DIVISION FOR OCEAN AFFAIRS AND THE LAW OF THE SEA (UN-DOALOS), OFFICE OF LEGAL AFFAIRS (OLA) AND DR. BILIANA CICIN-SAIN, PRESIDENT, GLOBAL OCEANS FORUM AND DIRECTOR, GERARD J. MANGONE CENTER FOR MARINE POLICY, UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

- 13:30-13:45 **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS ON OCEANS AND RELATED ECOSYSTEMS**
DR. MICHIEL SCHAEFFER, DIRECTOR, CLIMATE ANALYTICS AND SENIOR SCIENTIST, ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM ANALYSIS, WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY AND RESEARCH CENTRE (WUR)
- 13:45-14:00 **MARINE POLLUTION**
MS. JACQUELINE ALDER, UN-OCEANS DEPUTY COORDINATOR AND HEAD, MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS BRANCH, DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENT POLICY IMPLEMENTATION, UNEP
- 14:00-14:15 **OCEAN ACIDIFICATION**
MR. DAVID OSBORN, DIRECTOR, ENVIRONMENT LABORATORIES, INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA)
- 14:15-14:30 **STATE OF THE WORLD’S MARINE FISHERIES**
MR. RICHARD GRAINGER, CHIEF, INFORMATION AND STATISTICS, FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE DEPARTMENT, FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO)
- 14:30-14:45 **CORAL REEFS AND OTHER VULNERABLE, VALUABLE ECOSYSTEMS**
MS. LAURETTA BURKE, SENIOR ASSOCIATE AND CO-AUTHOR OF “REEFS AT RISK REVISITED” REPORT, WORLD RESOURCES INSTITUTE (WRI)
- 14:45-15:15 **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION**
- 15:15-15:30 **COFFEE BREAK**
- 15:30-15:45 **REGIONAL FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONS (RFMOS) – WEST AFRICAN REGION**
MR. CAMILLE JEAN PIERRE MANEL, FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE ENGINEER AND DIRECTOR OF MARITIME FISHERIES IN SENEGAL AT THE MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND THE MARITIME AFFAIRS
- 15:45-16:00 **SUSTAINABLE MARITIME TRANSPORT**
MR. EDWARD KLEVERLAAN, HEAD, OFFICE FOR THE LONDON CONVENTION/PROTOCOL AND OCEAN AFFAIRS AND/OR MR. JESPER LOLDRUP, HEAD, POLICY AND PLANNING UNIT, OFFICE OF THE SG, INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION (IMO)
- 16:00-16:15 **SUSTAINABLE MARINE TOURISM**
MR. LUIGI CABRINI, DIRECTOR-ADIVSOR TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON SUSTAINABILITY, WORLD TOURISM ORGANISATION (UNWTO)
- 16:15-16:30 **JOBS IN THE MARITIME SECTOR**
MR. KEVIN CASSIDY, SENIOR COMMUNICATIONS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS MANAGER, ILO OFFICE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS, INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO)
- 16:30-17:00 **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION**

DINNER FOR PARTICIPANTS
Offered by: Permanent Mission of Monaco
<i>Le Perigord Restaurant (time -19:00)</i> 405 East 52nd Street (1 st avenue), New York, NY 10022

FRIDAY, 19 APRIL 2013

08:30-9:00 **On-Site Registration**

SESSION III PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF OCEANS, SEAS AND MARINE RESOURCES

CO-CHAIRS: MS. JACQUELINE ALDER, UN-OCEANS DEPUTY COORDINATOR AND HEAD, MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS BRANCH, DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENT POLICY IMPLEMENTATION, UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME (UNEP) AND MR. NII ALLOTEY ODUNTON, SECRETARY-GENERAL OR MR. MICHAEL W. LODGE, DEPUTY TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND LEGAL COUNSEL, INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY (ISA)

9:00-9:15 **CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF MARINE BIODIVERSITY**

DR. JAKE RICE, CHIEF SCIENTIST, FISHERIES AND OCEANS CANADA (DFO) AND CONTRIBUTING CO-AUTHOR IPCC FIFTH ASSESSMENT REPORT

9:15-9:45 **THE POLAR REGIONS: CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

MR. JAN-GUNNAR WINTHER, DIRECTOR, NORWEGIAN POLAR INSTITUTE AND CONTRIBUTING CO-AUTHOR IPCC FIFTH ASSESSMENT REPORT

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION IN POLAR REGIONS

MR. AQQALUK LYNGE, CHAIR, INUIT CIRCUMPOLAR COUNCIL (ICC)

9:45-10:15 **MARINE PROTECTED AREAS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES**

MS. IMEN MELIANE, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL MARINE POLICY, THE NATURE CONSERVANCY

HOW TO BUILD THE GLOBAL MARINE PROTECTED AREAS NETWORK

MR. CHRISTOPHE LEFEBVRE, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, FRENCH MARINE PROTECTED AREAS AGENCY AND IUCN OCEAN COUNCILOR

10:15-10:30 **RIO+20 AND SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES: HOW TO CONVERT COMMITMENTS TO ACTION**

DR. SUSAN LIEBERMAN, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL POLICY, PEW ENVIRONMENT GROUP

10:30-11:00 **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION**

11:00-11:15 **COFFEE BREAK**

SESSION IV IMPLEMENTATION

CO-CHAIRS: MR. CHRISTIAN SUSAN, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BRANCH, PROJECTS AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION DIVISION, UNIDO AND MR. EDGARD CABRERA, CHIEF, MARINE METEOROLOGY AND OCEAN AFFAIRS DIVISION, WEATHER AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION SERVICES, WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (WMO)

11:15-11:30 **MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND OCEANS OBSERVATIONS**

MS. WENDY WATSON-WRIGHT, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL, UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC)

11:30-11:45 **ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION: A PACIFIC ISLANDS APPROACH**

MR. SEFANAIA NAWADRA, DIRECTOR, ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND GOVERNANCE, SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME (SPREP), SAMOA

11:45-12:00 **CAPACITY-BUILDING BY THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY – FISHERIES TRAINING PROGRAMME**

MR. THOR ASGEIRSSON, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FISHERIES TRAINING PROGRAMME, UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY (UNU) ICELAND

12:00-12:15 **CAPACITY-BUILDING NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES: PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM AN IOC SURVEY (INCL. TRANSFER OF MARINE TECHNOLOGY)**

DR. VENUGOPALAN ITTEKKOT, PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF BREMEN AND FORMER DIRECTOR, LEIBNIZ CENTRE FOR TROPICAL MARINE ECOLOGY

12:15-12:30 **CAPACITY-BUILDING IN MARINE ECOSYSTEM-BASED MANAGEMENT (MEBM): SEA-ENCLOSING AND LAND-RECLAMATION IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

PROF. SU JILAN, PROFESSOR, SECOND INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY, STATE OCEANIC ADMINISTRATION (SOA), CHINA

12:30-13:00 **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION**

13:00-14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

14:30-14:45 **CATALYSING OCEAN FINANCE: TRANSFORMING MARKETS TO RESTORE AND PROTECT THE GLOBAL OCEAN**

MR. ANDREW HUDSON, UN-OCEANS COORDINATOR AND HEAD, WATER AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME, BUREAU FOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY, UNDP

14:45-15:00 **GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR OCEANS**

MR. PETER J. KRISTENSEN, TEAM LEADER FOR OCEANS, BIODIVERSITY AND POLLUTION, ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT, THE WORLD BANK

15:00-15:05 **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION**

15:05-15:20 **COFFEE BREAK**

15:20-15:35 **SECRETARY GENERAL'S OCEANS COMPACT**

MS. JACQUELINE ALDER, UN-OCEANS DEPUTY COORDINATOR AND HEAD, MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS BRANCH, DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENT POLICY IMPLEMENTATION, UNEP (TBC)

15:35-15:45 **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH INVITED EXPERTS / OPEN DISCUSSION**

SESSION V CLOSING SESSION

CO-CHAIRS: MR. RALPH WAHNSCHAFFT, ACTING CHIEF, SIDS, OCEANS AND CLIMATE BRANCH, DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNDESA AND MS. ANNE ROGERS, FORMER SENIOR ECONOMIST, UNDESA AND FORMER DEPUTY COORDINATOR, UN-OCEANS

15:45-15:50 **PRESENTATION OF SUMMARY**

MS. JULIE RITZ, SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, SIDS, OCEANS AND CLIMATE BRANCH, DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, UNDESA

15:50-16:00 **CLOSING REMARKS**