



**Meeting of the Communities of Ocean Action
From Commitments to Action: Implementing SDG14**

**Grand Hyatt Incheon, Incheon, Republic of Korea
30-31 May 2019**

30 May 2019: DAY 1

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Registration & Coffee/Tea
9:00 - 9:45 a.m.	OPENING
(The Ballroom; East Tower 2nd Floor)	Introduction: Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Officer-in-Charge, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome address by Mr. Yangsoo Kim, Vice Minister, Ministry of Oceans & Fisheries of the Republic of Korea• Welcome remarks by Mr. Jong-sik Heo, Vice Mayor, Incheon Metropolitan City• Keynote address by Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
9:45 – 9:55 a.m.	PHOTO SESSION
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	SESSION I: From 2017 to 2020: Experiences from the UN Ocean Conference 2017 and Looking Ahead to the UN Ocean Conference 2020
	Introduction and setting the stage: Ambassador Peter Thomson, Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean (Moderator) Rapporteur: Dr. Aban Marker Kabraji, Regional Director, Asia, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• H.E. Mr. Lazarus Ombai Amayo, Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations• Mr. Taholo Kami, Special Representative – Oceans, Ministry of Economy, Fiji• Ms. Helen Ågren, Ambassador for the Ocean, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden• Mr. Sérgio Carvalho, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations• Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
11:00 – 12:30 p.m.	SESSION II: Experiences in Implementation

	<p>A. Lessons from the COAs on Marine and Coastal Ecosystems Management, Mangroves and Coral Reefs</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Maria Rivera, Senior Regional Advisor for the Americas, Ramsar Convention on Wetlands</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Gabriel Grimsditch, Programme Management Officer, Marine and Coastal Ecosystems Branch, Ecosystems Division, United Nations Environment Programme</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. J.K. Patterson Edward, Director, Suganthi Devadason Marine Research Institute (SDMRI) • Mr. C. Michael Stewart, Founder, Director of Partnerships, Sustainable Surf • Mr. George Woodman, Director, Stop Fish Bombing! • Mr. Jonathan Baines, Conservation Manager, Marine Conservation Philippines • Mr. Ananda Mallawatantri, Country Representative, IUCN - Sri Lanka
12:30 – 1:45 p.m.	LUNCH
1:45 - 3:00 p.m.	SESSION III: Experiences in Implementation (Contd.)
	<p>B. Lessons from the COAs on Sustainable Blue Economy and Scientific Knowledge, Research Capacity Development and Transfer of Marine Technology</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Julian Barbière, Head, Marine Policy and Regional Implementation Section, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Madhushree Chatterjee, Chief, Natural Resources and Interlinkages Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Angeliqne Pouponneau, Chief Executive Officer, Seychelles Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust (SeyCCAT) • Mr. Thomas Goreau, Advisor for Ocean Work Programme, SIDS DOCK • Ms. Christina Schönleber, Director (Policy&Programs) APRU • Dr. Cush Ngonzo Luwesi, Deputy Director General (Academic), University of Kwango; Health College of Kenge (ISTM-Kenge)

3:00 - 3:15 p.m.	BREAK
3:15 – 4:45 p.m.	SESSION IV: Building Partnerships
	<p>Moderator: Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Officer-in-Charge, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Joseph Appiott, Associate Programme Officer, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Taholo Kami, Special Representative – Oceans, Ministry of Economy, Fiji • Mr. Mathias Wikström, Founding Partner, RBK Communication • Ms. Claire Rumsey, International Year of the Reef Coordinator, International Coral Reef Initiative (ICRI) • Mr. Masanori Kobayashi, Senior Research Fellow at Ocean Policy Research Institute, Sasakawa Peace Foundation
4:45 – 6:00 p.m.	SESSION V: Scaling Up Ocean Action based on Science and Innovation at the Time of Climate Change
	<p>Moderator: Mr. Fredrik Haag, Head, Office for London Convention/Protocol & Ocean Affairs, Marine Environment Division, International Maritime Organization (IMO)</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Kathy Chaston Radway, Pacific Ocean Governance Advisor, The Nature Conservancy</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Mr. Peter Lescouhier, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Belgium to the Republic of Korea • Mr. Julian Barbière, Head, Marine Policy and Regional Implementation Section, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO • Ms. Marjo Vierros, Director, Coastal Policy and Humanities Research; Research Associate, Nereus Program, University of British Columbia
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	RECEPTION (The Ballroom; East Tower 2nd Floor)

31 May 2019: DAY 2

<p>9:00 - 10:15 a.m.</p>	<p>SESSION VI: Experiences in Implementation (Contd.)</p>
<p>(The Ballroom; East Tower 2nd Floor)</p>	<p>C. Lessons from COAs on Sustainable Fisheries and Implementation of International Law as Reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Joseph Zelasney, Fishery Officer, Policy Economics and Institutions Branch, Fisheries and Aquaculture Department, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Stephanie Ierino, Legal Officer, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. V.K. Daby, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Ocean Affairs, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping, Mauritius • Ms. Gladys Luahiti, Chief Desk Officer, Oceans and Climate Change Desk, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade, Solomon Islands • Mr. Fredrik Haag, Head, Office for London Convention/Protocol & Ocean Affairs, Marine Environment Division, International Maritime Organization (IMO) • Mr. Peter Horn, Director, Ending Illegal Fishing Program, The Pew Charitable Trusts • Mr. Harry Yuli, Vice Chair, Asian Seafood Improvement Collaborative • Dr. Cornelia E Nauen, President, Mundus maris asbl
<p>10:15 – 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>SESSION VII: Experiences in Implementation (Contd.)</p>
	<p>D. Lessons from COAs on Marine Pollution and Ocean Acidification</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Bronte Tilbrook, Co-chair, Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network (GOAON)</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Yoshinobu Takei, Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Jessie Turner, Project Coordinator, International Alliance to Combat Ocean Acidification (OA Alliance) • Ms. Meghan Jeans, Program Director, The Ocean Foundation • Queen Quet Marquette L. Goodwine, Gullah/Geechee Nation

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Nobuko Kajiura, Sustainable Development Officer, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP) • Mr. Terrance Long, Chair, International Dialogue on Underwater Munitions (IDUM)
11:30 – 11:45 a.m.	BREAK
11:45 – 1:00 p.m.	VC Café : Informal Interactive Session for Participants
	<p>Introduction: Ms. Ariel Alexovich, Associate Public Information Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA</p> <p>VC holders are encouraged to bring promotional materials and discuss their commitments with others who have also made commitments.</p>
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	<p>LUNCH</p> <p><i>[Closed Meeting of the Co-focal points and Sherpas of COAs (East Salon)]</i></p>
2:30 – 3:30 p.m.	SESSION VIII: Developing a Communications and Outreach Strategy for the UN Ocean Conference 2020
	<p>Facilitator: Ms. Ariel Alexovich, Associate Public Information Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of the renewed website on ocean action by Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Officer-in-Charge, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA (technical support to be provided by Mr. Ernesto Araiza, Information Systems Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA) • Key messages for the promotion of the UN Ocean Conference 2020 <p>Lead discussant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sérgio Carvalho, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	BREAK
3:45 – 5:00 p.m.	SESSION IX: Promoting Collaboration, Cooperation and Coordination among Relevant Ocean-related Initiatives and Processes

	<p>Moderator: Mr. David Osborn, Director, Environment Laboratories, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Yoshinobu Takei, Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Mr. Lazarus Ombai Amayo, Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations • Dr. Joëlle Hivonnet, Minister – Deputy, Head of the Political, Press and Information Section, Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Korea • Mr. Joseph Appiott, Associate Programme Officer, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity • Ms. Marjo Vierros, Director, Coastal Policy and Humanities Research; Research Associate, Nereus Program, University of British Columbia
5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	SESSION X: CLOSING
	<p>Closing remarks: Ambassador Peter Thomson, Secretary-General’s Special Envoy for the Ocean</p>