



Asuntos de la Secretaría

A TODOS LOS MIEMBROS DE LA COMISIÓN Y DEL COMITÉ CIENTÍFICO

Cambios de personal

En diciembre de 2020, la Administradora general de oficina, la Sra. Maree Cowen, se retiró tras 10 años de servicio en la Secretaría. Aquellos de ustedes que hayan participado en las reuniones en Hobart la recordarán como la primera cara que veían al entrar al edificio de la sede, siempre atenta a dar la bienvenida a los delegados. La Dra. Elanor Miller también renunció en diciembre a su posición de custodia de datos (*data steward*).

Incluyo en la presente la expresión de mi más sincero agradecimiento a las Sras. Cowen y Miller por sus contribuciones a la Secretaría y a la CCRVMA, y les deseo lo mejor en sus empresas futuras.

En cuanto a las incorporaciones al cuadro de servicios generales, ha habido las siguientes:

- Sra. Kerry Whelan, Jefa de servicios administrativos
- Sr. Thomas Williams, Administrador y analista técnico de bases de datos
- Sr. Robert Weidinger, Asistente de informática (a tiempo parcial).

Asesores externos contribuyeron al procedimiento de selección del nuevo personal. Desde aquí, damos nuestra bienvenida a la Sra. Whelan y a los Sres. Williams y Weidinger.

Décima segunda reunión de la Iniciativa Monaco Blue

El Secretario Ejecutivo ha recibido una invitación para participar en la reunión en línea de la décima segunda edición de la Iniciativa Monaco Blue. Se adjunta el programa de la reunión. El Presidente de la Comisión ha convenido en que el Secretario Ejecutivo participe en ella.

Atentamente

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Monaco Blue Initiative – 12th Edition

22nd March 2021 - Hybrid (Face to face/digital)

Provisional Program

Monaco time (UTC+2)

Session # 1

10:00-11:30 ***“The role of international negotiations for better ocean governance”***

Welcome address by HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco

Keynote speech: **TBC**

Panel discussion

This session aims at reviewing the high-level international negotiations and frameworks where the future of the Ocean is being discussed (BBNJ, IUCN, CBD, COP26, UN DECADES, etc) and reflecting on how to create synergies between these processes to increase their effectiveness.

Moderator: **Dr Sébastien Treyer**, Executive Director, Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations.

Panelists: **Ms Sophie Mirgaux**, Special Envoy for the Ocean, Belgium; **Mr Bruno Oberle**, Director general IUCN; **Ms Elizabeth Maruma Mrema**, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity; **Dr Vladimir Ryabinin**, Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, Assistant DG of UNESCO (UN Decades of Ocean Sciences for sustainable development); **Ms Inger La Cour Andersen**, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Decade on ecosystem restoration); **Ms Harriet Harden-Davis**, Edinburgh Ocean Leader, Ocean Nexus Fellow at University of Wollongong.

Dialogue with participants

Brief summary of discussions (moderator)

Closing words from organizers

Session # 2

14:00 – 15:30 ***“How to integrate Ocean issues and SDGs (in particular SDG14) into companies’ Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) strategy?”***

Keynote speech: **TBC**

Panel discussion

This session will allow to share the experience and feedback of companies involved in the blue economy.

Moderator: **Dr Ricardo Serrão Santos**, Minister of the Sea, Portugal

Panelists: **Mr Mads Nipper**, Group President and Chief Executive Officer Ørsted; **Ms Daniela Fernandez**, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Sustainable Ocean Alliance; **Mr Clément Ray**, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Innovafeed; **Mr Adrian Portafaix**, Partner & Associate Director, Sustainability - Boston Consulting Group; **Mr Bruno Monteferri**, Edinburgh Ocean Leader, Executive Director, Conservamos por Naturaleza & Director of Marine Governance, Peruvian Society for Environmental Law.

Dialogue with participants

Brief summary of discussions (moderator)

Closing words from organizers

Session # 3

16:00 – 17:30 ***“From blue economy to blue finance: what role does the financial sector need to play in managing risks related to biodiversity loss and financing the sustainable blue economy?”***

Keynote speech: TBC

Panel discussion

This conversation will provide an opportunity for financial actors to express their views on how to direct capital flows towards a true, efficient and transparent blue economy, particularly in the context of the economic recovery linked to COVID-19.

Moderator: **Ms Sylvie Goulard**, Second Deputy Governor of the Banque de France

Panelists: **Mr David Meyers**, Chief Executive, The Conservation Finance Alliance; **Mr Klaas de Vos**, Edinburgh Ocean Leader, Independent Consultant at Ocean Fox Advisory; **Mr Chip Cunliffe**, Director of Sustainable Development, AXA XL; **Mr Antoine Sire**, Head of Company Engagement & Member of the Executive Committee, Group BNP Paribas; **Mr James Edward Staley**, Chief Executive Officer, Barclay Bank Limited; **Ms Kathy Baughman McLeod**, Senior Vice President and Director, the Adrienne Arsht-Rockefeller Foundation Resilience Center at the Atlantic Council.

16:54-17:24 *Dialogue with participants*

17:24-17:27 *Brief summary of discussions (moderator)*

17:27-17:30 *Closing words from organizers*