

# Third Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands

## *Moving the Global Oceans Agenda Forward*

January 23-28, 2006, UNESCO, Paris

### Conference Background and Purpose



The Third Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands will mobilize high-level policy attention, topical working groups, analytical papers and other contributions to provide a review of progress achieved and

obstacles faced in the implementation of international targets on oceans, coasts, and small island developing States (SIDS), especially those related to the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD), the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), and other related agreements such as the Convention on Biological Diversity and Agenda 21 (please see Table 1 on page 3 for a summary of major international ocean commitments).

#### General Conference Purposes

The Global Conference seeks to:

—Help accelerate progress in the attainment of international ocean targets;

—Promote synergy and mobilize active partnership/coalitions for effective implementation of programs supported by governments, international agencies, national and regional authorities, nongovernmental organizations, natural and social scientists, and the private sector to attain the international oceans targets;

—Develop recommendations for tangible next steps and progress markers to track progress in the attainment of the international ocean targets;



—Provide a multi-stakeholder forum for cross-sectoral South-North dialogue among developed countries, developing countries, small island developing States, and countries with economies in transition in advancing the global oceans agenda;

—Advance the development of capacity for integrated oceans governance in developing countries, small island developing States, and countries with economies in transition, especially in relation to the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy in SIDS nations;



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—Examine selected emerging and unresolved issues related to oceans, coasts, and SIDS focusing especially on issues which can be advanced through cross-sectoral and cross-group analyses and dialogue; and

—Develop specific recommendations for engaging decision makers, the private sector, and the public in support of national, regional, and global interventions towards achieving the global oceans agenda.

### **Special Emphases**

The Global Conference will focus special attention on:

- Two major goals of the World Summit on Sustainable Development:

*Implementation of the results of the Mauritius Strategy* (January 2005) guiding the sustainable development of small island developing States, with emphasis on specific actions to advance ocean and coastal management which can be taken in the near-term, including building on the SIDS consortium of universities created at the Mauritius International Meeting

*Progress in the implementation of the UNEP Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities (GPA)* and preparations for the GPA Intergovernmental Review (IGR-2), to be held in Beijing, China, in October 2006. This includes development of specific recommendations on enhanced means for linking freshwater to coasts to oceans for presentation at the World Water Forum in Mexico City, Mexico, March 2006, and at the GPA IGR-2.

- Lessons Learned From Tsunami Disaster of December 2004
- Two emerging/unresolved ocean issues:
  - *High seas governance*, particularly regarding development of a regime for exploitation of biotech resources and for the protection of sensitive resources and biodiversity
  - *Oceans and climate*, particularly issues related to ocean acidification, carbon dioxide sequestration, and Arctic change

### **Conference Organizers and Sponsors**

The Third Global Conference is organized by the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands, organized informally in 2001 and formalized at the WSSD in Johannesburg in September 2002. The Glo-



## **Box. 1. Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands - Goals**

**The Global Forum responds to major needs at the international scale:**

- Promotion of cross-sectoral dialogue on ocean, coastal and SIDS issues among governments, nongovernmental organizations, intergovernmental organizations, the private sector, and the scientific community;
- A mechanism for oceans advocacy at the highest political levels; and
- A venue for linking oceans and freshwater concerns.

**The major goals of the Global Forum are to:**

- Work together with governments, international and intergovernmental organizations, nongovernmental organizations (environmental, scientific/technical, industry, foundations), and others to effectively implement, at national and regional levels, major international agreements on oceans;
- Work as a catalyst to mobilize knowledge, resources, and organizational action to advance the global oceans agenda;
- Raise the international profile of oceans, coasts, and SIDS in all relevant global, regional, and sub-regional fora and mobilize resources to address these issues; and
- Mobilize public awareness on oceans, coasts, and SIDS, and promote information sharing and dissemination.

bal Forum aims to advance the interests of *oceans*—incorporating 72% of the Earth; *coasts*—the home of 50% of the world's population; and *islands*—43 of the world's nations are small island developing States, which are especially dependent on the oceans. The Forum is composed of experts from governments, intergovernmental and international organizations, and non-governmental organizations (environmental, scientific/technical, industry, and foundations) with the common goal of achieving the sustainable development of oceans, coasts, and small island developing States. The Global Forum Steering Committee, responsible for organizing the conference, may be found on p.17. Global Forum goals are noted in Box 1.

The conference is part of the activities of the GEF project on *Fostering a Global Dialogue on Oceans, Coasts, and SIDS, and on Freshwater-Coastal-Marine Interlinkages*.

### **Major Organizers and Sponsors**

Global Environment Facility  
GEF International Waters Learning Exchange and Resource Network (IWLEARN)  
Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO  
UNEP Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities  
Canadian Department of Fisheries and Oceans  
U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
Gerard J. Mangone Center for Marine Policy, University of Delaware  
World Ocean Network  
International Coastal and Ocean Organization

## **Table 1. Major oceans, coasts, and SIDS targets from the World Summit on Sustainable Development and the Millennium Development Goals**

### **World Summit on Sustainable Development<sup>1</sup>**

#### **Integrated ocean and coastal management**

- Encourage the application of the ecosystem approach by 2010 for the sustainable development of the oceans, particularly in the management of fisheries and the conservation of biodiversity
- Establish an effective, transparent and regular inter-agency coordination mechanism on ocean and coastal issues within the United Nations system
- Promote integrated coastal and ocean management at the national level and encourage and assist countries in developing ocean policies and mechanisms on integrated coastal management
- Assist developing countries in coordinating policies and programs at the regional and sub-regional levels aimed at conservation and sustainable management of fishery resources and implement integrated coastal area management plans, including through the development of infrastructure

#### **Fisheries**

- Implement the FAO International Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing by 2004
- Implement the FAO International Plan of Action for the Management of Fishing Capacity by 2005
- Maintain or restore depleted fish stocks to levels that can produce their maximum sustainable yield on an urgent basis and where possible no later than 2015
- Eliminate subsidies that contribute to illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and to overcapacity

#### **Conservation of biodiversity**

- To achieve by 2010 a significant reduction of the current rate of biodiversity loss at the global, regional and national level as a contribution to poverty alleviation and to the benefit of all life on earth
- Develop and facilitate the use of diverse approaches and tools, including the ecosystem approach, the elimination of destructive fishing practices, the establishment of marine protected areas consistent with international law and based on scientific information, including representative networks by 2012

#### **Protection from marine pollution and maritime safety**

- Advance implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities in the period 2002-2006 with a view to achieve substantial progress by 2006
- Enhance maritime safety and protection of the marine environment:
  - a) Ratify, accede to and implement IMO instruments
  - b) Accelerate the development of measures to address invasive species in ballast waters

#### **Science and observation**

- Improve scientific understanding and assessment of the marine environment
- Establish a regular process under the United Nations for global reporting and assessment of the state of the marine environment, including socioeconomic aspects, by 2004

#### **Small island developing States**

- Follow-up on the implementation of the results of the Mauritius 2005 review of the Barbados Programme of Action

#### **Water Resources Management**

- Development of integrated water resources management (IWRM) plans by 2005

<sup>1</sup>United Nations. 2002. *Johannesburg Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development*

## **Table 1. Continued**

### **Millennium Development Goals<sup>2</sup>**

- Reduce by half the proportion of people living on less than a dollar a day by 2015
- Reduce by half the proportion of people who suffer from hunger by 2015
- Improve cooperation and coordination at all levels in order to address oceans and seas issues in an integrated manner and promote integrated management and sustainable development of the oceans and seas.

<sup>2</sup>2005 World Summit Outcome as adopted by the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly at its fifty-ninth session. A/60/L.1

### **Other Conference Supporters**

- General Directorate for Nature Protection, Ministry for the Environment and Territory, Italy  
Portuguese Committee for Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission  
Flemish Government and Flemish Minister for Economy, Enterprise, Science, Innovation and Foreign Trade, Belgium  
Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales, Mexico  
Consejo Consultivo del Agua, Mexico  
Centro de Ecología, Pesquerías y Oceanografía del Golfo de Mexico, Mexico  
The Nature Conservancy  
South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission  
Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia  
New Partnership for Africa's Development/Coastal and Marine Coordination Unit  
IOC Sub-Commission for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions  
United Nations' Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)  
The Nippon Foundation

### **Key Conference Features**

The Global Conference will feature:

- High-level presentations on selected topics by high-level ocean officials from around the world;
- Topical panels bringing together experts from governments, international agencies, nongovernmental organizations, scientists, and the private sector, and featuring stage-setting analytical papers;
- Structured Concurrent Dialogue Sessions on specific topics on which the Conference is expected to achieve progress; and
- Opportunities for special groups and communities of interest to advance particular aspects of the global oceans agenda.

The intent is to bring carefully crafted analyses, high-level perspectives, and perspectives from all ocean sectors and areas of the world to focus on tangible next steps in the implementation of the global oceans agenda. The conference will maximize opportunities for meaningful dialogue among the expert participants through the facilitation of the Concurrent Dialogue Sessions, and discussions in special workshops and side events.

### **Background**

This Global Conference is the third in a series begun in 2001. The first conference, *Oceans and Coasts at Rio+10: Toward the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD)*, Johannesburg

(December 2001), was useful in placing ocean, coastal, and SIDS issues on the WSSD agenda. As noted in the UN Secretary General's report on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (March 3, 2003), A/58/65): 7.

*The persistent efforts of all interested groups, beginning with the Global Conference on Oceans and Coasts at Rio+10, persuaded the preparatory meetings for the Johannesburg Conference that not only was UNCLOS not the end of the road, but also that many of the commitments of the UNCED at Rio remained unfulfilled.*

Following the WSSD, the Global Forum's second major international conference, the *Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands: Mobilizing for Implementation of the Commitments Made at the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development on Oceans, Coasts, and Small Island Developing States*, was useful in spurring the process of initial implementation of the WSSD commitments. This meeting proved especially important because the Commission on Sustainable Development is not scheduled to examine ocean issues until 2014.

### **Relationship to Other Global Efforts**

The Third Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands builds on the two past global conferences, and is directly related to a number of other international efforts and global conferences.

The *Ocean Policy Summit International Conference on Integrated Ocean Policy: National and Regional Experiences, Prospects, and Emerging Practices* (held in Lisbon, Portugal, on October 10-14, 2005). This conference explicitly considered advances in the WSSD and MDG goals of achieving integrated oceans governance at national and regional levels, and made considerable progress in the collective understanding of how national and regional ocean policies may be enhanced and further expanded. Results from The Ocean Policy Summit will be featured at the Paris Global Conference.

The *4th World Water Forum* (to be held in Mexico City, Mexico, on March 16-22, 2006). Results of the Paris global oceans conference will provide input to the 4th World Water Forum particularly regarding specific recommendations for better linking freshwater to coasts to oceans and development of a joint program of work involving freshwater and ocean institutions.

The Second Intergovernmental Review (IGR-2) of the *Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities (GPA)*, to be held in Beijing, China, on October 16-20, 2006. The Paris global oceans conference will develop specific recommendations for further advancement of the GPA for input into the intergovernmental process of the IGR-2.

### **Preparatory Work for and Expected Outputs from the Third Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands**

Various working groups, task forces and organizations are preparing background papers, reports and recommendations for discussion at the Global Conference. Some of these are highlighted below.

**Other groups and organizations are kindly invited to let the Conference Secretariat know of other preparatory efforts that should be included in the materials to be distributed and discussed at the conference. In particular, groups, organizations, national and international entities that have prepared assessments of implementation of WSSD and MDG goals are kindly invited to send these materials to the Conference Secretariat.**

- *Strategy for rapid implementation of the outcomes of the Mauritius International Meeting*, with a special emphasis on oceans and coasts, including capacity building, in three SIDS regions: Caribbean, Pacific, and AIMS (Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Mediterranean, and the South China Sea).
- *Recommendations on linking freshwater to coasts to oceans and for the next phase of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities*, developed through a Task Force and workshop held in Mexico City, January 10-11, 2006.
- *Assessment of advancement in integrated ocean policies at national and regional levels*, including results and recommendations from The Ocean Policy Summit in Lisbon (October 10-14, 2005), and materials on lessons learned from the experiences of 22 countries and 3 regions.
- *Assessment of ocean policy priorities and capacity building needs* of 8 nations part of the Community of Portuguese-Speaking Nations.

- *Discussion materials prepared by Global Conference Working Groups on Major Themes*, such as high seas governance, and climate and oceans.
- *Draft materials on progress achieved (or lack thereof) on WSSD and MDG implementation* for discussion at Concurrent Discussion Sessions during global conference.
- *Assessment of capacity building needs in ocean and coastal management at national levels in three regions: Africa, East Asia, and Latin America*, with a special emphasis on the raising of ocean awareness for high-level decisionmakers, the enhancement of integrated oceans management university education, and of local problem-solving capacity on marine issues.
- *Lessons learned, especially regarding economic valuation and public participation* from the Global Environment Facility's Large Marine Ecosystem Programs, by IW: LEARN.
- *Reports from Business and Industry Leaders Roundtable and Ocean Donors Roundtable.*
- *Development of a long-term strategy for engaging the public on oceans* (2 billion people by 2015) and ongoing outreach campaigns by world's association of museums and aquaria, The World Ocean Network.

### **Major expected outputs from the Global Conference include:**

- *Co-Chairs' Report*, incorporating:
  - progress report on WSSD and MDG goals related to oceans, coasts, and SIDS
  - conference summary and recommendations
- *Summary of presentations and reports of dialogues* will be provided by the Earth Negotiations Bulletin.



## Monday, January 23

### Morning

9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Conference Registration  
Monaco Reception Desk, UNESCO

From Monday, 23 January to Friday, 27 January, all participants should enter through the UNESCO entrance located at 125 Avenue Suffren. They will be able to collect their badge and then move on to the Monaco Reception Desk where they will be provided with the conference materials. The Entrance Avenue de Suffren will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. every day of the week.

9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

#### Concurrent side meetings:

—*Task Force on Capacity Development*  
Chair: Dr. Indumathie Hewawasam, World Bank

—*Community of Portuguese Speaking Nations (CPLP)*

Chair: Ambassador Luís Fonseca, Community of the Portuguese Speaking Countries (CPLP), Rapporteur: Ms. Isabel Torres de Noronha, Ocean Policy Advisor to CPLP

—*Working Group on Perspectives on Global Oceans Stewardship: Improving High Seas Governance (by invitation)*  
Co-Chairs: Mr. Alfonso Ascencio, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, and Dr. Salvatore Arico, UNESCO

### Afternoon

1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

*Ocean Donors Roundtable (lunch and meeting by invitation)*  
Chair: Dr. David Freestone, World Bank

1:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

#### Concurrent side meetings:

—*Mobilizing stakeholders and the public towards fisheries sustainability, organized by the World Ocean Network*  
Chair: Dr. Leonard Sonnenschein, World Aquarium, USA

—*Small Island Developing States*  
Co-Chairs: Mary Power, SOPAC, Mr. Franklin McDonald, UNEP Caribbean, Mr. Nirmal Jivan Shah, Nature Seychelles, Marina N'Deye, Cape Verde

—*Regional groups (Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe) (this is an opportunity for regional groups to explore common interests)*

Convenors: Africa: Ali Mohammed, NEPAD; Americas: Porfirio Alvarez, Mexico; Asia: Nguyen Chu Hoi, Vietnam; Europe: European Union: TBD; Eastern Europe and CIS: Yuriy Mikhaylichenko, Russian Federation

## Tuesday, January 24

7:30 A.M. to 8:30 P.M. Conference registration

All participants are kindly asked to be seated by 8:35 A.M. for the 8:45 A.M. conference opening.

### Morning

8:45 A.M. to 9:50 A.M.

#### CONFERENCE OPENING

8:45 A.M. to 8:50 A.M. *Welcome*, Dr. Patricio Bernal, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO

8:50 A.M. to 9:05 A.M. *France and the Oceans*, Madame Nelly Olin, Minister for Environment, France

9:05 A.M. to 9:15 A.M. *Purposes and Goals of the Global Conference*, Dr. Bilitiana Cicin-Sain, Co-Chair and Head of Secretariat, Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands

9:15 A.M. to 9:25 A.M. *Moving on the Global Oceans Agenda: Toward the Second Intergovernmental Review of the UNEP Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities*, Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd, Director, UNEP Regional Seas Programme, and Coordinator, UNEP Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities

9:25 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.

#### PANEL 1. STATUS OF OCEAN AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS AND PEOPLES; OPERATIONALIZING ECOSYSTEM-BASED MANAGEMENT

(WSSD ecosystem goal)

#### Session Goals:

- Review global assessments of marine and coastal ecosystems (e.g., Millennium Assessment, Census of Marine Life, Global International Water Assessment, Global Marine Assessment);

- Review progress toward defining ecosystem-based management and building consensus on how to make ecosystem management operational (e.g., sea use planning and ocean zoning); at what scale (national, regional) does ecosystem management work best?
- Identify how can progress toward advancing ecosystem management be measured? What are appropriate indicators of the outcomes of ecosystem management? How can the indicators be monitored?
- Identify how poverty can be reduced and socio-economic benefits achieved through ecosystem management?
- Identify challenges to making ecosystem management operational, especially integrating natural and social science methods and information for management;
- Identify transitional steps needed to move from today's sector-based management to ecosystem management; and
- Report on experiences of applying ecosystem management to cases at national or regional levels

**Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- Identify opportunities and next steps to advance ecosystem management as an operational management framework and demonstrate its application, especially through activities of the Convention on Biological Diversity, Regional Seas programs, LME projects, and national-level integrated ocean policies
- Contribute specifically to the discussions of the UN Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and Law of the Sea, June 2006, which will focus on “ecosystem approaches and oceans”

**9:25 A.M. to 9:40 A.M. Introduction by Panel Co-Chairs:**

Dr. Ellen Pikitch, Pew Institute for Ocean Science, University of Miami  
Dr. Indumathie Hewawasam, World Bank

**Overviews:**

9:40 A.M. to 9:50 A.M. *Reducing Poverty and Environmental Sustainability: Report on the UN Millennium Project*, Dr. Ellen Pikitch, Pew Institute for Ocean Science (author of ocean sections of *Millennium Project*)

9:50 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. *Toward Ecosystem-Based Approaches to Management: Global Environment Facility Support at Different Scales for Large Marine Ecosystems*, Dr. Al Duda, Senior Advisor, International Waters, Global Environment Facility

10:00 A.M. to 10:10 A.M. *Benefiting People and Coastal Communities through Ecosystem Management: Catalyzing the Attention of Decisionmakers and Publics and Measuring Progress on the Attainment of Socio-Economic Goals*, Dr. Indumathie Hewawasam, World Bank

**Panelists:**

10:10 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. Dr. Awni Behnam, International Ocean Institute (*progress on MDG goals*)

10:15 A.M. to 10:20 A.M. Mr. Hamid Ghaffarzadeh, Project Manager, Caspian Environmental Programme (*socio-economic considerations*)

**10:20 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. Discussion**

**10:45 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. Break**

**11:15 A.M. to 11:25 A.M.**

**Special Presentation:**

*The Public and the Oceans: A Long-Term Strategy for Mobilizing Public Support for the Global Oceans Agenda*, Mr. Philippe Vallette, NAUSICAA and The World Ocean Network

**11:30 A.M. to 12:25 P.M.**

**PANEL 2. OCEAN INDUSTRIES: BEST PRACTICES IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE SECTORS**

**Session Goals:**

- Identify best practices now used by global leaders in marine industrial sectors to reduce risks to marine environment

*effectively while achieving business objectives efficiently*

**Expected Outcomes of the Panel:**

- Identify opportunities and next steps to develop best practices within the global marine business and industry community and how to share these within the private sector and with other stakeholders

**Chair:** Mr. Paul Holthus, Executive Director, Marine Aquarium Council, Global Forum Business and Industry Leaders Roundtable Coordinator

**11:30 A.M. to 11:35 A.M. Introduction by Panel Chair:**

Mr. Paul Holthus, President, Marine Aquarium Council, and Coordinator, Business and Ocean Industries Roundtable, Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands

**Panelists:**

11:35 A.M. to 11:40 A.M. Mr. Tim Wilkins, INTERTANKO

11:40 A.M. to 11:45 A.M. Mr. Dierk Peters, UNILEVER

11:45 A.M. to 11:50 A.M. Mr. Arthur Bogason, Co-Chair, World Forum of Fish Harvesters and Fish Workers (Iceland)

11:50 A.M. to 11:55 A.M. Mr. John Connelly, President, National Fisheries Institute, and International Coalition of Fishing Organizations

11:55 A.M. to 12:00 Noon Mr. Mark Caney, President, PADI (Professional Association of Diving Instructors) Europe

12:00 Noon to 12:05 P.M. Dr. Jose Matheickal, Technical Advisor, GEF/UNDP/IMO Global Ballast Water Management Programme, International Maritime Organization (WSSD goal)

12:05 P.M. to 12:10 P.M. Mr. Bruno Corréard, Responsable Gestion Durable Resources Halieutiques, Carrefour DMMG

**12:10 P.M. to 12:25 P.M. Discussion**

**12:25 P.M. to 1:25 P.M. LUNCH (on your own, in UNESCO cafeteria or in UNESCO neighborhood—see conference packets for information)**

\* Invited, not confirmed.

**12:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.**

**Meeting of the Business and Industry Leaders Roundtable** (lunch and meeting by invitation)

**Afternoon**

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**1:30 P.M. to 1:40 P.M.**

**Special Presentations:**

*Strategic Perspectives on the Global Oceans Agenda*

Dr. Annick de Marffy, Former Director, United Nations Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

**1:40 P.M. to 1:50 P.M.**

*The Way Forward on Advancing the Global Oceans Agenda*

Ms. Lori Ridgeway, Director-General, International Coordination and Policy Analysis, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada

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**1:50 P.M. to 3:50 P.M.**

**PANEL 3. PROGRESS ON MAJOR WSSD AND MDG GOALS ON OCEANS AND COASTS**

**Session Goals:**

- Review progress achieved and obstacles faced in the implementation of international targets related to oceans, coasts, and small island developing States, especially those related to the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development, the Millennium Development Goals, and the Convention on Biological Diversity.

*The session will focus, in particular, on international experiences and on selected national experiences on the goals noted below. On the next day, January 25, national-level experiences in achieving these goals will be emphasized.*

**Goals to be covered:**

- integrated ocean and coastal management
- sustainable fisheries
- conservation of biological diversity;
- networks of marine protected areas
- enhancing regional cooperation and effectiveness in ocean and coastal management.

**Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

*This session, together with the background information on major developments which have taken place in international and national-level implementation of WSSD/MDG goals (distributed in the conference packets) will provide a partial basis for the assessments to be made by conference participants in determining progress in WSSD/MDG implementation through a survey (to take place on January 25), and through Concurrent Dialogue Sessions (to take place on January 27).*

**1:50 P.M. to 1:55 P.M. Introduction by Panel Chair:**

Dr. David Freestone, Deputy General Counsel, Advisory Services, Legal Vice Presidency, World Bank

**Integrated Ocean and Coastal Management (WSSD and MDG goals)**

**Panelists:**

1:55 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. *Results from The Ocean Policy Summit: International Conference on Integrated Ocean Policy: National and Regional Experiences, Prospects, and Emerging Practices, Lisbon*, Hon. Dr. Manuel Lobo Antunes, Secretary of State for National Defense and Maritime Affairs, Portugal

2:00 P.M. to 2:05 P.M. *European Maritime Policy: Toward an All-Encompassing Maritime Policy*, Mr. Paul Nemitz, Deputy Head of the Maritime Task Force, European Commission

2:05 P.M. to 2:10 P.M. *Bottom-up Work on the European Union Maritime Strategy: Regional Sea Governance*, Xavier Gizard, Secretary- General, Conference of the Peripheral Maritime Regions of Europe (CPMR)

2:10 P.M. to 2:15 P.M. *Progress in Integrated Ocean Policy in Korea*, Mr. Keon-Soo Sohn, Director, Marine Environment Division, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Republic of Korea

2:15 P.M. to 2:20 P.M. *Bringing it All Together: Exclusive Economic Zone, Coastal Management, National Plans of Action, and Integrated Water Resources Management under National Jurisdiction*, Dr. Magnus Ngoile, Director General, National Environment Management Council, Tanzania

**2:20 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. Discussion**

**Fisheries (WSSD goals)**

**Panelists:**

2:30 P.M. to 2:35 P.M. *Operationalizing the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries*, Dr. Serge Garcia, Director, Fishery Resources Division, United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

2:35 P.M. to 2:40 P.M. *The Global Program on Sustainable Fisheries (PROFISH) and the World Bank's Re-engagement in the Fisheries Sector*

Dr. Marea E. Hatzioolos, Senior Coastal and Marine Specialist, Environment Department, The World Bank

2:40 P.M. to 2:45 P.M. Mr. Alistair Graham, Marine Program, World Wildlife Fund

2:45 P.M. to 2:50 P.M. Ms. Barbara Hanchard, Project Coordinator, GEF-UNDP Oceanic Fisheries Management Project (Pacific), Forum Fisheries Agency

**2:50 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. Discussion**

**Conservation of Biodiversity, Networks of MPAs (WSSD goals)**

*Marine and Coastal Biodiversity Targets: Achievements and Challenges in International and National Implementation*

**Panelists:**

3:00 P.M. to 3:05 P.M. Ms. Marjo Vierros, Convention on Biological Diversity Secretariat

3:05 P.M. to 3:10 P.M. H.E. Mr. Nguyen Viet Thang, Vice Minister of Fisheries, Vietnam

**3:10 P.M. to 3:20 P.M. Discussion**

**Regional Cooperation (WSSD and MDG goals)**

**Panelists:**

3:20 P.M. to 3:25 P.M. *Improving Regional Cooperation*, Dr. Chua Thia-Eng, Regional Programme Director, GEF-UNDP-IMO Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA), Philippines, and Nippon Foundation Task Force on Regional Ocean Governance

3:25 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. *Example of Regional Cooperation within the Large Marine Ecosystem Program*, Dr. Michael O'Toole, Chief Technical Advisor, GEF-UNDP Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem (LME) Programme

3:30 P.M. to 3:35 P.M. *UNEP Regional Seas Programmes: New Directions*  
Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd, Head, Regional Seas Programme, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), and Coordinator, Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities, The Hague, and  
Mr. Charles Ehler, Vice-Chair, IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas-Marine

3:35 P.M. to 3:40 P.M. *World Bank/GEF Strategic Partnership for East Asian GPA Issues*  
Dr. Mara Warwick, World Bank

**3:40 P.M. to 3:50 P.M. Discussion**

**3:50 P.M. to 4:15 P.M. BREAK**

**4:15 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Concurrent Dialogue Sessions on Achieving Synergy**

*Multi-stakeholder Workshop on Preparations for the 4th World Water Forum and 2006 Intergovernmental Review of the GPA.*

Co-Chairs: Patricia Muñoz, Instituto Politécnico Nacional, Mexico, and Tom Laughlin, U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA)

*Synergy among Large Marine Ecosystems, Regional Seas, and National, Multinational/Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) Efforts,*

Co-Chairs: Ellick Adler, UNEP Regional Seas Programme; Charles Ehler, IUCN-WCPA; Andy Hudson, UNDP-GEF; and Sylvia Earle/Arlo Hemphill, Conservation International

*Island Life - Island Biodiversity, Livelihoods and International Agreements.*

Co-Chairs: Gerald Miles, Senior Adviser, Conservation Finance and Policy, The Nature Conservancy (TNC); Marjo Veirros, CBD Secretariat; Dominique Benzaken, Secretariat for the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP); and TBD, IUCN Islands Taskforce (TAFICOPA)

*Addressing poverty, achieving socio-economic benefits through improved national and regional oceans governance, including through more beneficial ocean use (fisheries, oil and gas) agreements*  
Co-Chairs: Ali Mohammed, Regional Coordinator, Coastal and Marine Secretariat, New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD); Tim Bostock, Senior Fisheries Adviser, Policy Division, Department for International Development (DFID), UK; and Carl Lundin, Head, Marine Programme, IUCN

*Advancing Integrated Ocean and Coastal Governance: Next Steps*  
Prof. Mario Ruivo, Chair, Portuguese Committee for IOC, John Roberts, Director, DEFRA, UK, and Dr. David VanderZwaag, Dalhousie University, Canada

*Advancing Coordinated Implementation of International Agreements*  
Chair: Ms. Margarita Astralaga, Ramsar Convention Secretariat

**4:15 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. FIRST INFORMAL MINISTERIAL ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION (by invitation)**

**7:00 P.M. Welcoming cocktail, sponsored by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands**

**Wednesday, January 25**

**Morning**

**9:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M.**

**PANEL 4. LINKING FRESHWATER TO OCEANS (WSSD goal)**

**Session Goal:**

- Review the need, benefits, and costs in linking integrated water resources management (IWRM) to integrated coastal and ocean management (ICOM) activities;
- Identify the benefits and costs of linking IWRM to ICOM;
- Identify challenges to linking freshwater management to ICOM, especially integrating natural and social science methods and information for management; and
- Review cases where IWRM has been linked effectively to ICOM

**Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- Identify opportunities and specific next steps to promote and advance the linkage between IWRM and ICOM activities, e.g., the 4<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum, the IGR-2 of the Global Programme of Action, Global Water Partnership, World Ocean Network
- Develop new opportunities for partnerships between global freshwater institutions and global ocean institutions

**9:00 A.M. to 9:05 A.M. Introduction by Panel Co-Chairs:**

Dr. Al Duda, International Waters, Global Environment Facility  
Dr. Corrado Clini, Director General, Department for Global Environment International and Regional Convention, Ministry for Environment and Territory, Italy

**Panelists:**

9:05 A.M. to 9:10 A.M. Ms. Margaret Catley-Carlson, Chair, Global Water Partnership



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9:10 A.M. to 9:15 A.M. Mr. Peter Bridgewater, Secretary-General, Ramsar Convention

9:15 A.M. to 9:20 A.M. Hon. Mr. Gussein Bagirov, Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources, Azerbaijan

9:20 A.M. to 9:25 A.M. Hon. Mr. Erik Llandikov, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Environmental Protection, Republic of Kazakhstan

9:25 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. Dr. Jia Yu, Head, The Law of the Sea Division, China Institute for Marine Affairs, State Oceanic Administration, China

9:30 A.M. to 9:35 A.M. Dr. Antonio Diaz de Leon, Director-General for Environmental Policy Regional and Sectoral Integration, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, SEMARNAT, Mexico

9:35 A.M. to 9:40 A.M. Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd, Head, Regional Seas Programme, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), and Coordinator, Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities, The Hague

9:40 A.M. to 9:45 A.M. Mr. Ivan Zavadsky, GEF Danube-Black Sea Basin Strategic Partnership

9:45 A.M. to 9:50 A.M. Dr. Shammy Puri, Liaison Officer and Groundwater Resources Senior Advisor, International Hydrological Programme, UNESCO

9:50 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. **Discussion**

**10:15 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. BREAK**

**10:30 A.M. to 11:50 A.M.**  
**PANEL 5. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MAURITIUS STRATEGY FOR SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES (WSSD goal)**

### **Session Goals:**

- To review progress achieved and obstacles faced in the implementation of the ocean and coastal management goals and related targets from the 1994 Barbados Programme of Action for the

*Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States*

- To review specific strategies for implementing the actions identified in the 2005 Mauritius International Meeting

### **Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- Identification of tangible priority steps for rapid implementation of improvements in ocean and coastal management (including capacity building) that can be taken in each of the three major SIDS regions in the next year, implementing aspects of the Mauritius Strategy and of the Barbados Programme of Action

10:30 A.M. to 10:35 A.M. **Introduction by Panel Chair:**

Ambassador Jagdish Koonjul, Foreign Affairs, Mauritius, Outgoing Chair, Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

### **Panelists:**

10:35 A.M. to 10:40 A.M. Ms. Diane Quarless, Chief, Small Island Developing States Unit, UNDESA

10:40 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. Mr. Willie John, Chief Executive Officer, Cook Islands

10:45 A.M. to 10:50 A.M. Mr. Óscar Melicio, President, National Institute for Fisheries Development, Ministry of Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Cape Verde

10:50 A.M. to 10:55 A.M. Dr. Celestino Andrade, Ministry of Environment, São Tomé and Príncipe

10:55 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Mr. Rolph Payet, Director of the Ministry of the Environment, Seychelles

11:00 A.M. to 11:05 A.M. Mr. Atherton Martin, President, Caribbean Conservation Association

11:05 A.M. to 11:10 A.M. Mr. Vincent Sweeney, Executive Director, Caribbean Environmental Health Institute, St. Lucia

11:10 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. Mr. Nelson Andrade, Director, UNEP Caribbean Programme, UNEP/UNDP/GEF IWCAM Programme on Integrated Water and Coastal Area Management for SIDS

11:15 A.M. to 11:20 A.M. Dr. Asterio Takesy, Director, South Pacific Regional Environmental Programme

11:20 A.M. to 12:00 Noon **Discussion**

**12:00 Noon to 1:00 P.M. LUNCH**

### **Afternoon**

**1:00 P.M. to 1:15 P.M.**

### **Special Presentation:**

*Progress on Combating Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing (WSSD goal)*  
Honorable Minister Ben Bradshaw, MP, Minister for Local Environment, Marine, and Animal Welfare, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, United Kingdom

**1:15 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.**

**PANEL 6. THE TSUNAMI DISASTER AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS: ONE YEAR LATER**

### **Session Goals:**

- Review progress achieved and obstacles faced in the process of reconstruction and the development of capacities for disaster preparedness in the countries of the Indian Ocean affected by the tsunami of 26 December 2005
- Learn lessons on reasons why some coastal communities may have fared better than others in the tsunami disaster (e.g., use of building codes, coastal protection measures, public education, etc.)
- Examine progress with the establishment of tsunami warning and mitigation systems in four main regions of the world (Indian Ocean, Pacific, North Eastern Atlantic, Mediterranean and connected seas, Caribbean)

### **Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- Opportunities and next steps for mainstreaming an integrated, multi-hazard approach to address vulnerability, risk assessment and disaster management, including public awareness, prevention, mitigation, alerts, preparedness and response into the global ocean and coastal agenda, in

*particular into strategic, long-term coastal planning, will be identified.*

- *This report will be presented at the 2006 UN Commission on Sustainable Development (May 1-12, 2006) which will be addressing coastal hazards, especially related to SIDS and to climate change.*

**1:15 P.M. to 1:25 P.M. Introduction by Panel Co-Chairs:**

Dr. William J. Brennan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

Dr. Patricio Bernal, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO

**Panelists:**

1:25 P.M. to 1:35 P.M. Mr. Pitipong Puengboon Na Ayudhya, Permanent-Secretary of the Natural Resources and Environment Ministry, Thailand

1:35 P.M. to 1:40 P.M. Dr. Lahsen Ababouch, Chief, Fish Utilization and Marketing Service (FIU), FAO

1:40 P.M. to 1:45 P.M. Mr. John Harding, Secretariat, International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR)

1:45 P.M. to 1:50 P.M. Prof. Stefano Tinti, Chair, Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Tsunami Early Warning and Mitigation System in the North Eastern Atlantic, the Mediterranean and connected Seas

1:50 P.M. to 1:55 P.M. Dr. François Schindelé, Past-Chair, ICG/IOTWS: Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Tsunami Early Warning and Mitigation System in the Indian Ocean

1:55 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. Mr. Franklin McDonald, Advisor, UNEP, former director National Environment and Planning Agency, Jamaica and former Project Manager Pan Caribbean Disaster Preparedness & Prevention Project

2:00 P.M. to 2:05 P.M. Mr. Russell Arthurton, Coastal Geoscience, formerly British Geological Survey

**2:05 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. Discussion**

**2:30 P.M. to 3:40 P.M.**

**PANEL 7. LINKING NATIONAL AND REGIONAL EFFORTS IN OCEAN AND COASTAL MANAGEMENT: AFRICAN PERSPECTIVES**

**Session Goals:**

- *Identify options and models for further development of coastal and Exclusive Economic Zone management in Sub-Saharan Africa, through ecosystem-based approaches aimed at poverty reduction and enhanced social development*
- *Identify how synergy among Large Marine Ecosystem projects, Regional Seas programmes, and the activities of national, multinational/non-governmental organizations (NGO) can be achieved to reduce poverty, achieve socio-economic benefits, and achieve environmental targets in Sub-Saharan Africa*

**Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- *Identify specific steps to be taken to further develop capacity for and actual programs in coastal and ocean management, and to achieve synergy among existing regional and national efforts in this area.*

**2:30 P.M. to 2:35 P.M. Introduction by Panel Chair:**

Dr. Magnus Ngoile, National Environment Management Council, Tanzania

**Panelists:**

2:35 P.M. to 2:40 P.M. Hon. Ms. Christine Churcher, Minister for Environment and Science, Ghana

2:40 P.M. to 2:45 P.M. Hon. Dr. Aristides Ocante da Silva, Minister of Natural Resources, Guinea-Bissau

2:45 P.M. to 2:50 P.M. Hon. Joseph Konzolo Munyao, M.P., Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries Development, Kenya

2:50 P.M. to 2:55 P.M. Hon. Mrs. Rejoice Mabudafhasi, Deputy Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, South Africa

2:55 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. H.E. Victor Manuel Borges, Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Mozambique

3:00 P.M. to 3:05 P.M. Hon. Mr. Thierno Lo, Minister of Environment and Natural Protection, Senegal

3:05 P.M. to 3:10 P.M. Hon. Mr. Kilus Nguvauva\*, Deputy Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, Namibia

3:10 P.M. to 3:15 P.M. Hon. Mr. Salomão Luheto Xirimimbi\*, Minister of Fisheries, Angola

**3:15 P.M. to 3:40 P.M. Discussion**

**3:45 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Instructions for the Concurrent Dialogues on WSSD/MDG Goals and for Filling Out the Informal Multistakeholder Survey on Progress on WSSD/MDG Goals**

**4:00 to 4:15 PM Break**

**4:15 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. SECOND INFORMAL MINISTERIAL ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION (by invitation)**

**4:15 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Bottom-line Assessment on Progress on Implementation of WSSD and MDG Goals**

—Ecosystem management, and integrated management of oceans and coasts, including regional cooperation (also for input into June 2006 UNICPOLOS session)—*Group leads: Chua Thia-Eng, PEMSEA, Charles Ehler, IUCN WCPA and Yves Henoque, Coastal Habitats and Resources Management, Thailand*

—Fisheries—*Group leads: Chris Tompkins, DEFRA, UK, and Juan Luis Suarez de Vivero, Spain*

—Biodiversity and networks of marine protected areas (also for input into COP-CBD 8)—*Group leads: Carl Lundin, IUCN, and Gerald Miles, The Nature Conservancy*

—Small island developing States, with emphasis on ocean and coastal management

(also for input into the CSD May 2006)—  
*Franklin McDonald, Jamaica, and Dirk Troost, UNESCO*

—GPA and IWRM, and input into IGR-2 (October 2006 Beijing) and World Water Forum IV (March 2006, Mexico City), including next steps on collaboration between freshwater and ocean interests—  
*Antonio Diaz de Leon, Mexico, Tom Laughlin, NOAA, Abdoulaye Ndiaye, National Director of Parks, Ministry of Environment and Nature Protection, Senegal*

—Global Marine Assessment and UN coordination—*Awni Behnam, International Ocean Institute*

*Evening: On your own*

*Group outings for Paris Nightlife to be organized—see the Secretariat*

## Thursday, January 26

### Morning

9:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M.

### PANEL 8. CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR OCEAN AND COASTAL MANAGEMENT: MOBILIZING TO ADDRESS NEEDS

#### Session Goals:

- To identify specific capacity development needs for further advancing capacity in ocean and coastal management in developing countries, SIDS, and countries with economies in transition, on the basis of rapid assessments being carried out in 6 regions

#### Expected Outcomes of the Session:

- To identify specific steps to advance capacity building in these regions in the next year, and a specific plan for mobilization of resources to get this accomplished

9:00 A.M. to 9:10 A.M. **Introduction by Panel Co-Chairs:**

Dr. Indumathie Hewawasam, World Bank  
Mr. Ralph Cantral, Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division, Office Of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, U.S. NOAA

#### Overview:

9:10 A.M. to 9:20 A.M. Dr. Indumathie Hewawasam, World Bank

9:20 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. **Discussion**

#### Panelists:

Ms. Margarita Astralaga, Senior Advisor, Ramsar Convention Secretariat

Dr. Awni Behnam, President, International Ocean Institute

Dr. Ehrlich Desa, Head, Capacity Building Section, UNESCO

Mr. Franklin McDonald, Advisor, UNEP Caribbean Environment Programme

Dr. Robin Mahon, Caribbean LME Programme

Ms. Mary Power, South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission

Ms. Marina N'Deye, Cape Verde

Dr. Chua Thia-Eng, Regional Programme Director, PEMSEA

Mr. Ali Mohamed, Regional Coordinator, Coastal and Marine Secretariat, New Partnership for Africa's Development

Dr. Anamarija Frankic, University of Massachusetts, Boston, and Advisor to Ministry of Culture, Croatia

10:15 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. **BREAK**

10:45 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

### PANEL 9. REGIONAL DIALOGUE AND COOPERATION: THE MEDITERRANEAN CASE

10:45 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. **Introduction by Panel Co-Chairs:**

Prof. Ezio Bussoletti, Scientific Advisor, Permanent Delegation of Italy to UNESCO  
Dr. Aldo Cosentino, Director-General, Nature Protection, Ministry for the Environment and Territory, Italy

11:00 A.M. to 11:05 A.M. Ms. Marie-Christine Van Klaveren, Executive Secretary, Agreement on the Conservation of Cetaceans of the Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea and Contiguous Atlantic Area (ACCOBAMS)

11:05 A.M. to 11:10 A.M. Mr. Zoran Sikic, Assistant Minister and Chief of Conservation, Ministry of Culture, Croatia

11:10 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. TBD\*, Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency

11:15 A.M. to 11:20 A.M. Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd, GPA Coordinator and Head Regional Seas, UNEP

11:20 A.M. to 11:25 A.M. Dr. Ivica Trumbic, Director, Regional Activity Centre for Priority Actions Programme (PAP/RAC), Mediterranean Action Plan

11:25 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Dr. Sami Marrouki, Executive Director, Mediterranean Renewable Region Centre (MedRec), Tunisia

11:30 A.M. to 11:35 A.M. Conclusions: Dr. Aldo Cosentino, Director-General, Nature Protection, Ministry for the Environment and Territory, Italy

**11:35 A.M. to 12:00 Noon Discussion**

**12:00 Noon to 1:00 P.M. LUNCH**

**Afternoon**

**1:00 P.M. to 2:45 P.M.**

## **PANEL 10. IMPROVING HIGH SEAS GOVERNANCE**

### **Session Goals:**

- *This session (organized by the Working Group on Improving High Seas Governance) will address gaps in the international policy framework regarding 'high seas' governance (marine issues in areas beyond national jurisdiction) with emphasis on issues related to marine genetic resources and their bioprospecting; and issues related to protection of sensitive resources and habitats in the high seas, with a special focus on how fishing practices may impact on these resources and habitats. The session will examine the major issues involved in high seas governance, with the aim of summarizing the findings and making recommendations for specific next steps that should be taken by the international community on the topic at the occasion of relevant international processes being targeted.*
- *The Panel will deal with the theme utilizing An Ecosystem Approach to high seas and the deep seabed; it will provide an overview of high seas and deep seabed-related issues, followed by presentations organized in two focal areas: deep seabed genetic resources, and high seas fisheries governance. Presentations under both focal areas will address, as appropriate, science and technology aspects, private sector*

*involvement and perspectives, environmental, and policy/legal aspects of the issues under consideration.*

### **Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- *Provide multi-stakeholder input to the discussions of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group established by the UN General Assembly to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (scheduled for February 2006). The following processes will also be targeted by multi-stakeholder input to be generated at the Session: the eighth session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, the review conference of fish stock agreements, the seventh session of the UN Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea, and the review of measures recommended by the UNGA on the protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems from destructive fisheries practices.*
- *As appropriate and feasible, the Working Group will attempt to reach cross-group consensus on the issues. Alternatively, the Working Group may focus largely on providing information to the global oceans community on the dimensions of the issue and by identifying areas where more studies are needed, as well as, areas of agreement and disagreement among stakeholders, and policy options for addressing/resolving the issues.*
- *The multistakeholder dialogue sessions related to this session will focus on: 1) deep seabed genetic resources, and 2) high seas fisheries governance.*

**1:00 P.M. to 1:05 P.M. Introduction by Panel Co-Chairs:**

Mr. Alfonso Ascencio Herrera, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, and Dr. Salvatore Arico, Programme Specialist, Biodiversity - Division of Ecological Sciences, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

### **Overviews:**

1:05 P.M. to 1:15 P.M. *Overview of legal/policy aspects of issues related to the high seas and the deep seabed, Mr. Alfonso Ascencio Herrera, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations*

1:15 P.M. to 1:25 P.M. *Overview of scientific and technical/technological aspects of the high seas and the deep seabed, Mr. Alex Rogers, British Antarctic Survey, UK*

1:25 P.M. to 1:35 P.M. *A conservation perspective on issues related to high seas and the deep seabed, Ms. Lee Kimball, IUCN-The World Conservation Union*

1:35 P.M. to 1:45 P.M. Prof. Abdul H. Zakri\*, United Nations University-Institute for Advanced Studies

### **Panelists:**

1:45 P.M. to 1:50 P.M. Dr. Vladimir Golitsyn, Director, UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

1:50 P.M. to 1:55 P.M. Ms. Marjo Vierros, Convention on Biological Diversity

1:55 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. Dr. Eric Mathur\*, Diversa Corporation

2:00 P.M. to 2:05 P.M. Mrs. Norma Taylor-Roberts, Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Jamaica

2:05 P.M. to 2:10 P.M. Mr. Elie Jarmache, Secrétariat Général de la Mer, France

2:10 P.M. to 2:15 P.M. Dr. Frida Armas-Pfirter, Austral University, Argentina

2:15 P.M. to 2:20 P.M. Prof. Tullio Scovazzi, Università degli Studi di Milano, Bicocca, Italy

**2:20 P.M. to 2:45 P.M. Discussion**

**2:45 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. BREAK**

**3:00 P.M. to 3:15 P.M.**

**Special Presentation: Reducing Poverty and Environmental Sustainability,** Prof. Jeffrey D. Sachs, Director, Earth Institute at Columbia University, Director of the UN Millennium Project and Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the MDGs (*by video link from Africa*)

3:15 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

**PANEL 11. OCEANS AND CLIMATE**

**Session Goals:**

- Explore the effects climate change may have on the world's oceans, coasts, and islands, with an emphasis on ocean acidification, carbon sequestration, Arctic change, and sea level change.

**Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- Consider the policy implications of wide-ranging effects of climate change on marine and coastal environments and on coastal populations and economies.
- Consider whether an “observatory” function, linking emerging scientific findings to analyses of attendant policy issues related to climate and oceans/coasts/islands might be needed.

3:15 P.M. to 3:20 P.M. **Introduction by Panel Chair:**

Dr. Robert Corell, Chair, Arctic Climate Impact Assessment

**Overviews:**

3:20 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. Dr. Robert Corell, Chair, Arctic Climate Impact Assessment  
*Overview of recent scientific findings on climate effects on oceans, coasts, and islands*

3:30 P.M. to 3:40 P.M. Ambassador Gunnar Palsson, Iceland  
*Overview of public policy issues related to climate effects on oceans, coasts, and islands*

3:40 P.M. to 3:50 P.M. Mr. Halldor Thorgeirsson, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)  
*Overview of mitigation and adaptation measures*

**Panelists:**

3:50 P.M. to 3:55 P.M. Ambassador Enele S. Sopoaga, Tuvalu, Vice-Chair, Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

3:55 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Mr. John Shepherd, Tyndall Centre Regional Associate Director, Southampton Oceanography Centre (*Social Dimensions of Climate Change in Coastal Areas*)

4:00 P.M. to 4:05 P.M. Ms. Ellina Levina, Climate Change Analyst, Environment Directorate, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) (*the importance of integrating scientific knowledge on climate change into coastal zone management decisions at the international, national and local level*)

4:05 P.M. to 4:10 P.M. Ms. Magdalena A. K. Muir, Research Associate, Arctic Institute of North America (*Monitoring and managing for climate change in vulnerable ocean and coastal ecosystems, and integrating results into policy responses*)

**4:10 P.M. to 4:45 P.M. Discussion**

**4:45 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Concurrent Dialogue Sessions on Achieving Synergy**

**Freshwater to Oceans**

Co-Chairs:

Dr. Alice Aureli, Responsible Groundwater Resources, International Hydrological Programme, UNESCO

Dr. Marea Hatzios, World Bank

Contributors:

Dr. Bo Appelgreen, Senior Advisor to International Hydrological Programme, UNESCO, Sweden

Prof. Lucila Candela, Technical University of Catalonia-UPC

**Next Steps in SIDS**

Co-Chairs: Mr. Nelson Andrade, UNEP, Caribbean, Mr. Tim Adams, Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Mr. Dirk Troost, Chief, Coasts and Small Islands Platform, UNESCO

**Tsunami and Disaster Preparedness**

Co-Chairs: Dr. Arvind Anil Boaz, South Asia Co-Operative Environmental Programme, Ezio Bussoletti, Italy, Stefano Belfiore, IOC

**Next steps in capacity development**

Co-Chairs: Margarita Astralaga, Ramsar Convention, Mary Power, SOPAC

**High Seas Governance: Bioprospecting in the high seas**

Moderator: Dr. David VanderZwaag, Dalhousie University, Canada

Contributors:

Ms. Fernanda Millicay, Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Fellowship on the Law of the Sea

Dr. David Leary, Centre for Environmental Law, Macquarie University

**Oceans and Climate**

Co-Chairs: Dr. Robert Corell, Chair, Arctic Climate Impact Assessment, and Ambassador Gunnar Palsson, Iceland

**7:00 P.M. Evening Reception, sponsored by the Government of Italy**

**Friday, January 27**

**Morning**

9:00 A.M. to 10:15 A.M.

**PANEL 12. ENGAGING DECISIONMAKERS AND THE PUBLIC**

**Session Goals:**

- Demonstrate the value of mobilizing decision makers and the public in the ocean governance planning and decision making process
- Identify effective means to communicate the value of marine resources and the benefits of their use and conservation to decisionmakers and the public
- Discuss tangible options for cooperation in ocean information and education

**Expected Outcomes of the Session:**

- Draw the attention of conference participants on the need for enhanced ocean information and education and engage them to support/take part in such activities and programs
- Develop a specific program of work on education and information related to advancement of the global oceans agenda for decisionmakers and the public, and convey these recommendations to the World Ocean Network workshop following the Global Conference

**9:00 A.M. to 9:05 A.M. Introduction by Panel Chair:**

Mr. Philippe Valette, Managing Director, NAUSICAA- National Sea Centre, France, and Chair, the World Ocean Network

**Overviews:**

9:05 A.M. to 9:15 A.M. *Operationalizing the Long-Term Plan of Action for Reaching the Public on the Importance of Oceans and Coasts*

Mr. Philippe Valette, Managing Director, NAUSICAA- National Sea Centre, France, and Chair, the World Ocean Network

9:15 A.M. to 9:25 A.M. *Long-term Outreach Strategy for the Media on Oceans and Coasts*

Ms. Marie-Laure de Lange, Communications Consultant, SeaWeb

9:25 A.M. to 9:35 A.M. *Long-term Outreach Strategy for Decisionmakers*

Mr. Tiago Pitta e Cunha\*, European Commission, and former director, Strategic Oceans Commission, Portugal

**Panelists:**

9:35 A.M. to 9:40 A.M. Dr. Dann Sklarew, Director, GEF IW: LEARN

9:40 A.M. to 9:45 A.M. Dr. Ram Boojh, Centre of Environment Education, India

9:45 A.M. to 9:50 A.M. Dr. Guillermo Garcia Montero, President, National Aquarium, Cuba, and National Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission Committee

**9:50 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. Discussion**

**10:15 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. Break**

**10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Concurrent Dialogue Sessions on Achieving Synergy**

**High Seas Governance: High seas fisheries governance**

Moderator:

Mr. Michael Lodge, High Seas Task Force

Contributor:

Ms. Kristina Gjerde, IUCN

**Next Steps in African Coastal and Ocean Management**

Co-Chairs: Magnus Ngoile, Tanzania, and Ali Mohammed, NEPAD

**Engaging decisionmakers and the public**

Contributors:

Dr. Paul Boyle, New York Aquarium and The Ocean Project

Dr. Leonard Sonnenschein, World Aquarium, St. Louis, USA

Dr. Nirmal Jivan Shah, Chief Executive, Nature Seychelles

Mr. Mohamed Mahmoud Ould Dahi, NGO Clean Beach, Mauritania

Mr. Brian Day, GreenCOM/Tanzania

Dr. Peter Neill, Director, The World Ocean Observatory, U.S.

Ms. Khulood Tubaishat, Advisor, Regional Shared Vision Programme, Regional

Organization for the Conservation of the Environment of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (PERSGA)

*Other groups as needed*

**12:30 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. LUNCH**

**Afternoon**

**1:30 PM to 3:30 PM**

**REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS, AND WSSD AND MDG ASSESSMENT EFFORTS AND DISCUSSION**

**Chairs: Dr. Patricio Bernal, Dr. Biliana Cicin-Sain, and Dr. Veerle Vandeweerdt, Co-Chairs, Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands**

**Reports on WSSD/MDG Assessments**

—Ecosystem management, and integrated management of oceans and coasts, including regional cooperation (also for input into June 2006 UNICPOLOS session)

—Fisheries

—Biodiversity and networks of marine protected areas (also for input into COP-CBD 8)

—Small island developing States, with emphasis on ocean and coastal management (also for input into the CSD May 2006)

—GPA and IWRM, and input into IGR-2 (October 2006 Beijing) and World Water Forum IV (March 2006, Mexico City), including next steps on collaboration between freshwater and ocean interests

—Global Marine Assessment and UN coordination

**Other Reports**

—The role of ocean and coastal management in reducing poverty (MDG goal)

—Next steps in capacity building in ocean and coastal management

—Next steps in ocean and coastal management in SIDS

—Next steps in ocean and coastal management in Africa

—Next steps in ocean and coastal management in the Community of Portuguese-Speaking Nations

—High Seas Governance (for input into the UN discussions of February 2006)

—Lessons learned from the tsunami disaster for coastal planning and preparedness (for input into CSD May 2006)

—Next steps in linking science and policy related to climate and oceans

—Action plan for engaging decisionmakers, the media, and the public on oceans (to be presented at World Ocean Network's conference immediately following the global conference)

—Next steps on Ocean Donors Roundtable

—Next steps on Business and Industry Leaders Roundtable

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**3:30 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.**

**Special Presentation:**

*The Way Forward on Oceans and Coasts*,  
Mrs. Fientje Moerman, Vice-Minister-  
President of the Flemish Government and  
Flemish Minister for Economy, Enterprise,  
Science, Innovation and Foreign Trade,  
Belgium

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**3:45 P.M. to 4:15 P.M. BREAK**

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**4:15 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.**

**CONFERENCE CONCLUDING SESSION**

**Dr. Biliiana Cicin-Sain, Global Forum on  
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**Dr. Patricio Bernal, IOC**

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## Saturday, January 28

Follow-up side meetings (as needed)

**12:00 Noon to 3:00 P.M.**

Global Forum Steering Committee Lunch and Meeting

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**Move to:**

**World Ocean Network 3<sup>rd</sup>  
International Meeting Acting  
Together for the Future of the Blue  
Planet, NAUSICAA, Centre  
National de la Mer, Boulogne/Mer,  
France, January 29 to February 2,  
2006**

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### World Ocean Network 3rd International Meeting

The World Ocean Network ([www.worldoceannetwork.org](http://www.worldoceannetwork.org)) and its partners invite Global Conference participants and all organizations reaching the public at large to take part in the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Meeting "Acting together for the future of the Blue Planet". It will be held in NAUSICAA, Centre National de la Mer, in Boulogne/Mer, France, from January 29<sup>th</sup> to February 2<sup>nd</sup> and will immediately follow the Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands.

The event is organized under the aegis of the IOC/UNESCO and the UNEP/GPA and with the participation of Jean-Michel Cousteau, Chair of the World Ocean Network Committee of Honour.

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