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2024 OCEAN DECADE CONFERENCE SIDE EVENT



Leveraging knowledge, innovation and empowerment in deep-sea research in support of the stewardship of the Area for the benefit of humankind

This side event will serve as a platform to take stock of the progress made in the implementation of the MSR, analyse the lessons learned in its implementation, and identify possible areas in which the MSR could further contribute to the UN Ocean Decade in the coming years.



Friday, 12 April 2024
08:30 AM - 09:45 AM



Meeting room 133-134 Southern Ocean
International Barcelona Convention Centre

PROGRAMME

8:30 – 8:45am - High-Level Segment

Opening

Mr. José Dallo Morros

Director, Office of Environmental Management and Mineral Resources (OEMMR), ISA

Welcome address (video message)

H.E. Mr. Michael W. Lodge

Secretary-General, ISA

Remarks

H.E. Mr. Mark Brown

Prime Minister, Cook Islands

Mr. Wan-hyun Choi

President, National Marine Biodiversity Institute of Korea, MABIK

Real Admiral Khurshed Alam

Secretary, Maritime Affairs Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangladesh

8:40 – 8:50 AM - Keynote

A global framework to advance deep-sea research supporting evidence based decision making

Dr. Noémie Wouters

Programme Coordinator Marine Scientific Research, ISA

8:50 - 9:35 AM - Panel: Advancing deep-sea research and technology development in support of the stewardship of the Area and its resources

1. Introductions by the moderator (5')

Mr. Alan Evans

Head of Marine Policy, National Oceanography Centre (NOC), UK

2. Panel discussions including Q&A

3. How do partnerships leverage knowledge to inform science-based ocean governance?

- **Dr. Anne-Katrien Lescauwaut**

Director International Relations, Flanders Marine Institute, World Register of Marine Species (WoRMS)

- **Dr. Suzan El-Gharabawy**

Vice President, National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries, Egypt

- **Rear Admiral Khurshed Alam**

Secretary, Maritime Affairs Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangladesh

4. What are the enablers for unlocking data and capacity for the benefit of humankind?

- **Ms. Alex Herman**

Seabed Minerals Commissioner, Seabed Mineral Authority, Cook Islands

- **Dr. Marjolaine Matabos**

French Institute for Exploitation of the Sea, IFREMER, France

- **Prof. Dr. Eduardo Silva**

Instituto Superior de Engenharia do Porto, Instituto Politécnico do Porto, Researcher Institute for Systems and Computer Engineering, Technology and Science INESC TEC, Portugal

5. What are the opportunities and hurdles to enhance the science-policy interface?

- **Dr. Erasmo A. Lara Cabrera**

Consul, Embassy of Mexico and Chair, ISA's Legal and Technical Commission

- **Dr. Marzia Rovere**

Senior researcher, National Research Council of Italy

9:35 - 9:45 AM - Closing: Global call to action for accelerating progress under the 2030 Agenda through deep-sea research, technology and innovation

Minister Rosa Delia Gomez Duran (video message)

Legal Adviser, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship, Republic of Argentina