

COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY  
INDICATIVE PROGRAMME OF WORK<sup>1</sup>, v. 4 June 2025.  
SECOND PART OF THE THIRTIETH SESSION, 7-18 July 2025.

WEEK 1 (7-11 JULY 2025)

Date	Time	Agenda Item
Monday 7 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 1</u>: Resumption of the session.</li> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area (<a href="#">ISBA/30/C/CRP.1</a>). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Environmental Compensation Fund (completion of Section 4, DR<sup>2</sup> 56).</li> <li>- Part V. Review and modification of a Plan of Work (DRs 57-58).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal Informals</i>. Closure plans (DRs 59-61).</li> </ul>
Tuesday 8 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Part VII. Financial terms of an Exploitation Contract. Section I. General (DRs 62-63). Section II (DR 64).</li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Equalization measure (DR 64bis and Standard; Australia).</li> </ul>
Wednesday 9 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Section 3. Royalty returns and payment of royalty (DRs 66-73bis).</li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 14</u>: Report of the Chair of the Legal and Technical Commission on the work of the Commission at the second part of its thirtieth session.</li> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Section 3. Royalty returns and payment of royalty (DRs 66-73bis).</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> Based on the agenda of the Council ([ISBA/30/C/1](#)) and the roadmap endorsed by the Council during its July 2024 meetings ([ISBA/29/C/9/Add.1](#), Annex III).

<sup>2</sup> DR = draft regulation

Thursday 10 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Section 4. Records and audit (DRs 74-76).</li> <li>- Section 5. Anti-avoidance measures (DRs 77-78).</li> <li>- Section 6. Interest and penalties (DR 79).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Section 7. Review of payment mechanism (DRs 81-82).</li> <li>- Section 8. Payments to the Authority (DRs 83-83bis).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Friday 11 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Part XI. ICE mechanism (DR 102; Norway).</li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Part XI. ICE mechanism (DRs 96-105bis).</li> </ul>

## WEEK 2 (14-18 JULY 2025)

Date	Time	Agenda Item
Monday 14 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 05</u>: Report of the Secretary-General on the credentials of members of the Council.</li> <li>• <u>Item 08</u>: Report of the Secretary-General on the status of national legislation relating to deep seabed mining and related matters.</li> <li>• <u>Item 13</u>: Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the decision of the Council in 2024 relating to the reports of the Chair of the Legal and Technical Commission.</li> <li>• <u>Item 16</u>: Report of the Secretary-General concerning the operationalization of the Economic Planning Commission.</li> <li>• <u>Item 18</u>: Cooperation with other relevant international organizations.</li> <li>• <u>Item 15</u>: Report of the Interim Director-General of the Enterprise.</li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 20</u>: Other matters.</li> <li>• <u>Item 17</u>: Draft decision of the Council of the International Seabed Authority relating to financial and budgetary matters.</li> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. Part VIII. Annual, administrative and other applicable fees. Section 1 (DRs 84-85). Section 2 (DRs 86-87). Section 3 (DR 88).</li> </ul>

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Tuesday 15 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Part IX. Information-gathering and handling (DRs 89-92bis).</li> <li>- Part X. General procedures, Standards and Guidelines (DRs 93-95).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Annexes and Schedule.</li> </ul>
Wednesday 16 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Part XII. Settlement of disputes (DR 106). Part XIII. Review of these Regulations (DR 107) - 1.5 hours.</li> <li>- Effective control (Chile/Costa Rica) – 1.5 hours.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rights and interests of coastal States (Portugal/Singapore) - 2 hours.</li> <li>- Underwater cultural heritage (Brazil/Greece/Micronesia) - 1 hour.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Thursday 17 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Environmental management and monitoring (Norway).</li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 17</u>: Report of the Finance Committee.</li> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Reference to regional environmental management plans (Netherlands).</li> </ul>
Friday 18 July 2025	10 am – 1 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <i>Informal informals</i>. Test mining (Belgium/China/Germany).</li> </ul>
	3 – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Item 11</u>: Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Report on the list of standards and guidelines.</li> <li>- Final review of the draft regulations (including final text proposals by informal working groups and by Friends of the President).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Adoption of draft decisions (as required), including adoption of the regulations (in the event that they are ready for adoption)<sup>3</sup>.</li> <li>• End of the thirtieth session.</li> </ul>

4 June 2025.

<sup>3</sup> According to the roadmap approved by the Council ([ISBA/28/C/24, Annex](#)).