

FOURTH ASIA-PACIFIC DAY FOR THE OCEAN
27 October 2021

PROGRAM
[VER. 21.10.2021]

AGENDA (Starts: 12:00 noon - Ends: 2:30 p.m.)

12:00 – 12:40		OPENING SESSION	
(40 mins)	[Plenary]	<p><i>Moderator:</i> Katinka Weinberger Chief, Environment and Development Policy Section (ESCAP)</p> <p>+ Promotional video +</p> <p><i>Welcome remarks:</i> Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of ESCAP</p> <p><i>Keynote address:</i> H.E. Fiamē Naomi Mata‘afa (TBC) Prime Minister of the Independent State of Samoa</p> <p><i>Video intervention:</i> Mr. Kitack Lim Secretary-General International Maritime Organization</p> <p>[Regional Decade Program Announcement]</p>	
12:40 – 14:00		INTERACTIVE DIALOGUES	
(1h 20 mins)	[Parallel sessions]		
A. International cooperation on the digital technologies to monitor		B. Inclusive Maritime Connectivity for Building Back Better	

<p>ocean plastic pollution (Focus SDG targets 14.1, 14.a)</p>	
<p>C. Accounting for ocean and economy linkages: data integration to protect marine and coastal ecosystems</p>	<p>D. Ocean-climate nexus: blue carbon</p>
<p>14:00-14:30 CLOSING</p>	
<p>(30 mins)</p>	<p>[Plenary]</p> <p>Ambassador Peter W. Thomson UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean <i>Invitation to 2022 UN Ocean Conference</i></p> <p>Feedback from interactive dialogues (3 mins each):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Rapporteur from Dialogue A: [TBD]</i> - <i>Rapporteur from Dialogue B: [TBD]</i> - <i>Rapporteur from Dialogue C: [TBD]</i> - <i>Rapporteur from Dialogue D: [TBD]</i> <p>Mr. Wenxi Zhu Head of the IOC Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific <i>Invitation to Regional Kick-off of the UN Decade of Ocean Science in Asia-Pacific</i></p> <p>Miss AnnMary Raduva Youth Representative (Fiji)</p> <p>+ Closing video +</p> <p>Final remarks</p>

**INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE A:
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON THE DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES TO MONITOR OCEAN PLASTIC
POLLUTION**

12:30 - 12:32	Opening Session
12:33 - 12:42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome remarks
12:43 - 12:49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening: Government (TBC) • How measuring and monitoring plastic pollution can build a basis for action plans, Miho Hayashi, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies
	<p>Panel discussion: 5 innovations with the potential to advance plastic pollution monitoring</p>
12:50 - 13:22	<p>Moderator: Speaker TBC, Environment and Development Division (ESCAP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Towards an Integrated Marine Debris Observation System, Nikolai Maximenko, Senior Researcher at the International Pacific Research Center, School of Ocean & Earth Science & Technology, University of Hawaii at Manoa • Advanced AI and remote sensing technologies to monitor marine debris, Lauren Biermann, Plymouth Marine Lab, International Ocean Colour Coordinating Group, Task Force on Remote Sensing of Marine Debris • Monitoring microplastics from space, Chris Ruf, University of Michigan (TBC) • Nuclear technologies to monitor microplastics, Marc Metian, Research Scientist (Radioecology Laboratory) of the IAEA Environment Laboratories of the Department of Nuclear Applications, International Atomic Energy Agency • PRISM: an integrated platform to host plastic pollution data, Sabine Strnad, Alliance to End Plastic Waste (TBC)
13:23 - 13:37	
13:38 - 13:42	
13:43 - 13:45	

**INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE B:
INCLUSIVE MARITIME CONNECTIVITY FOR BUILDING BACK BETTER**

12:30–12:50	<p>Opening Session</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i></p> <p>Ms. Azhar Jaimurzina Chief, Transport Connectivity and Logistics Section Transport Division (ESCAP)</p> <p>Mr. Weimin Ren Director, Transport Division Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific</p> <p>Mr. Xiaojie Zhang Director, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO [TBC]</p> <p>Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne Director, Division on Technology and Logistics United Nations Conference on Trade and Development</p>
12:50-13:40 hrs.	<p><i>Panel Discussion: Regional cooperation on inclusive maritime connectivity</i></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Women in Maritime: Leading change and opportunities for inclusive maritime transport Ms. Sanjam Sahi Guptag Director, Sitara Shipping Ltd - Sustainable and resilient port development strategies for leaving no one behind Mr. Kim Changkyun Director General, Ports and Harbors Bureau Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries, Republic of Korea - Ocean Accounting: Integrated the Pacific Blue Shipping Partnership to improve maritime connectivity for the Pacific Mr. Ben Milligan Secretariat Director, Global Ocean Accounts Partnership - Inclusive maritime connectivity for the Pacific



	<p>Mr. Jens Kruger, Deputy Director Oceans and Maritime Programme, Geoscience, Energy and Maritime Division The Pacific Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cooperation and partnership for the welfare and safety of seafarers <p>Mr. Jan de Boer Senior Legal Office, Legal Affairs Office Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO</p>
13:40-13:45 hrs.	Conclusion

ACCOUNTING FOR OCEAN AND ECONOMY LINKAGES: DATA INTEGRATION TO PROTECT MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS

12:40-12:45	<p>Opening Remarks</p> <p>Ms. Rikke Munk Hansen, Co-Chair, Global Ocean Accounts Partnership</p>
12:45-12:50	<p>Welcome address</p> <p>Mr. Taholo Kami, Former Fiji Special Envoy for the Ocean</p>
12:50-13:05	<p>Ocean Accounting: Current and Planned Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Anthony Dvarskas Regional Adviser, Environment Statistics, UNESCAP • Mr. Teerapong Praphatjanaporn Country Program Lead, Global Ocean Accounts Partnership
13:05-13:30	<p>Panel Discussion on Ocean Accounting Planning and Implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia's national ocean account plan and the case of the Geopraphe Bay Pilot implementation Ms. Crystal Bradley Assistant Director, Environmental-Economic Accounts, Department of Agriculture, Water, and Environment, Australia • An economist's perspective on ocean valuation Mr. K. S. Kavi Kumar Professor, Madras School of Economics, India • Indonesia's whole-of-government approach to ocean accounting Mr. Firdaus Agung Spatial Directorate, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Indonesia • Using ocean accounts to manage the Palau National Marine Sanctuary Mr. Yimnang Golbuu CEO, Palau International Coral Reef Center, Palau • Application of ocean accounts in Thai context Ms. Kanjana Phumalee

	<p>Chief of Statistical Standard Group, National Statistical Office, Thailand</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linking Viet Nam's ocean accounts with blue economy <p>Ms. Kim Thi Thuy Ngoc Head, Division of Science and International Cooperation, Institute of Strategy on Natural Resources and Environment (ISPONRE), Viet Nam</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBC
13:30-13:55	<p>Facilitated Dialogue with Attendees</p> <p>Mentimeter questions with audience on ocean accounting</p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Etjih Tasriah Head of the BPS Regional Balance Consolidation Sub-Directorate, BPS-Statistics Indonesia, Indonesia
13:55-14:00	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Mr. Ben Milligan, Secretariat Director, Global Ocean Accounts Partnership</p>

**INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE D:
OCEAN-CLIMATE NEXUS: BLUE CARBON**

	<p>Opening remarks: Katinka Weinberger (ESCAP-EDD)</p> <p>Moderator: Sangmin Nam (ESCAP-SRO NEA)</p>
12:45-13:40 (55 min)	Panel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kirsten Isensee, Project specialist on Ocean Carbon, IOC-UNESCO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The role of coastal blue carbon ecosystems responding to climate change • Dr. Genki Terauchi, Senior researcher, NOWPAP/CEARAC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NOWPAP project on estimating seagrass blue carbon in NOWPAP region • Prof. Dan Friess, National University of Singapore <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mangrove blue carbon in Southeast Asia • Dr. Sukhui Lee, Project Coordinator, Future Business Development Team, Korea Marine Environment Management Corporation (KOEM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wetland blue carbon/ ROK national inventory on blue carbon
Intervention from Civil Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss. AnnMary Raduva (Fiji) Youth Representative – Mangrove plantation
13:40-13:55 (15min)	Discussion and Q&A
13:55-14:00 (5min)	Closing

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