





Oceans Economy and Trade: Sustainable Fisheries, Transport and Tourism

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Programme

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10 May	
10:00-10:30	Opening session
	Chair: H.E. Ms. Mere Falemaka, Permanent Representative, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, Geneva Office
	 Welcoming remarks by: Mr. Guillermo Valles, Director, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities (DITC), UNCTAD Mr. Paolo Kautoke, Director, Trade Division, the Commonwealth Secretariat Mr. Awni Behnam, Honorary President, International Oceans Institute (IOI)a
10:30-13:00	Session 1: Global oceans challenges and policy responses
	Climate change and ocean sustainability: the implications of sea level rises • Mr. Edoardo Marone, Professor, IOI Director, Brazil
	Preserving ocean biodiversity, Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs) and marine genetic resources • Mr. Werner Ekau, IOI Director, Germany
	Developing pathways towards implementation of Marine Spatial Planning/Oceans Space approach: the case of Africa • Mr. Adnan Awad, IOI Director, South Africa
	The findings of the United Nations Marine Global Assessment on fisheries and maritime transport and relevant United Nations regulatory frameworks
	 Mr. Michael Shewchuk, Legal Officer, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, United Nations, Office of Legal Affairs, New York
	Interactive Discussion

15:00-18:00	Session 2: Global trade policy developments and implementation of SDG 14
	Market trends, trade in fish and seafood products, and the SDGs • Mr. Marcio Castro De Souza, Senior Fisheries Industry Officer, Economist, FIPM, FAO
	Fisheries and world trade regimes by 2035 • Mr. David Vivas Eugui, Legal Officer, Trade, Environment, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Branch, DITC, UNCTAD
	Subsidies and trade in fish: negotiations at the multilateral and regional levels • H.E. Mr. Vangelis Vitalis, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the WTO
	 SDG 14, the fight against IUU, and developing country challenges Ms. Alice Tipping, Senior Programme Officer, ICTSD
	The role of fisheries in graduating from LDC status • Ms. Jodie Keane, Economic Advisor, Commonwealth Secretariat
	Interactive Discussion
18:30-19:30	Cocktail reception graciously hosted by the Commonwealth Secretariat
11 May	
9:30-12:00	Session 3: Regional trade policy developments and implementation of SDG 14 Sustainable fisheries and market opportunities and challenges
	Fisheries subsidies in mega-regionals (TPP): effects on the multilateral trade system • Ms. Maria Cristina Hernandez, Minister, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the WTO
	 Market access for small-scale artisanal fishers: bilateral and regional developments Mr. Lawrence Othieno, Trade Expert, COMESA Mr. Luis Mayaute, Ministry Counselor, Permanent Mission of Peru to the WTO Ms. Karine Rassool, Senior Economist, Seychelles Fishing Authority
	Trade-related indicators to measure the advancement of SDG 14 • Mr. Stephen Fevrier, International Trade Expert and Former Commonwealth Trade Adviser
	Interactive Discussion
12:00-13:00	(IISD/ISS Session) Launch of the State of Sustainability Initiatives: Standards and the Blue Economy
	Introductory remarks • Mr. Bonapas Onguglo, Head a.i., Trade, Environment, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Branch, DITC, UNCTAD
	State of Sustainability Initiatives: Standards and the Blue Economy report • Ms. Ann Wilkings, Lead Researcher and Co-author, IISD/ISS

15:00-18:00 Session 4: Sustainable maritime transport: enabler of a productive and sustainable Oceans **Economy** Introductory remarks Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, **UNCTAD** The Strategic Importance of Maritime Clusters in the Ocean Economy Mr. Jean-Paul Rodrigue, Professor, Hofstra University The perspective of the port sector Mr. Juan Manuel Diez, Deputy Strategic Planner and Controller, Port Authority of Valencia The perspective of the shipping sector Mr. Dirk Vande Velde, Director MSC Chemical Transports, CSO Environmental and Social Business Affairs, Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) An academia-shipping sector partnership Mr. Ben Milligan, Senior Research Associate, UCL Institute for Sustainable Resources **Interactive Discussion** 12 May 10:00-13:00 Session 5: Sustainable and resilient maritime transport infrastructure and services in support of the SDGs Responding effectively to diverse environmental challenges: controlling ship-source pollution and addressing the impacts of climate variability and change on ports and coastal transport networks Ms. Regina Asariotis, Chief, Policy and Legislation Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD Maritime transport: the international regulatory framework for pollution prevention Ms. Heike Deggim, Senior Deputy Director for the Sub-Division of Protective Measures, Marine Environment Division, IMO Shipping industry approach to sustainable and resilient maritime transport Mr. Simon Bennett, Director Policy & External Relations, International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) Climate change impacts on maritime transport infrastructure: assessing the risks Mr. Michalis Vousdoukas, Institute of Environment and Sustainability, Joint European Research Centre Climate change adaptation for coastal infrastructure: ecosystem-based approach Mr. Pascal Peduzzi, Director of Science, UNEP-GRID

Interactive Discussion

15:00-18:00 Session 6: Links between seafood, transport and tourism

Intersectoral linkages: fisheries, transport and tourism (Indian Oceans and the Caribbean)

- H.E. Mr. Dhalladoo Israhyananda, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
- Mr. Peter A. Murray, Programme Manager, Fisheries Management and Development, Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM)

Ecosystem services and coastal tourism development (Latin America)

• **Mr. Federico Vignati,** Principal Executive at CAF – Development Bank of Latin America (CAF).

Links between seafood and tourism development

• **Ms. Tundy Agardy,** Director, Marine Ecosystem Services (MARES) Program at Forest Trends Association

Lessons from UNCTAD's work linking green exports with coastal tourism

• **Mr. Robert Hamwey,** Economic Affairs Officer, Trade, Environment, Climate Change and Sustainable Development Branch, DITC, UNCTAD

Interactive Discussion

Closing by the Chair

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