PROGRAMME

2nd International Conference on

MARINE/MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING

15-17 March 2017, Paris UNESCO HQ









DAY 1 – 15 MARCH

12.30 - 14.00 Registration

14.00 - 14.30 Welcome

The high level representatives of DGMARE, IOC and UNESCO will welcome all participants showing the institutional support to the conference and the importance of marine/maritime spatial planning in the context of ocean governance.

- Mr. Vladimir Ryabinin, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, will welcome the participants and introduce the keynote speakers:
- Ms. Irina Bokova, Director General, UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization
- Mr. Karmenu Vella, Commissioner, Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

14.30 - 15.00 Keynote - The World-wide Status and Trends of MSP

Keynote speech from Mr. Charles Ehler, Senior Marine Planning Consultant

Rapporteur: Vinicius Lindoso, IOC UNESCO

In the context of global marine issues, such as climate change and sustainable blue growth, MSP has a focal role to play. After an overview of the recent developments of Marine/Maritime Spatial Planning, Mr. Ehler will frame the conference's discussions on how to achieve and accelerate successful MSP worldwide.

15.00 - 16.30 Lessons learnt from countries

Invited experts from Europe, North America, Africa, Asia and Latin America will share their practical experience of MSP, highlighting good practices and fit for purpose solutions. Discussions with the Conference participants will follow.

Speakers:

Netherlands: Leo de Vrees, Senior Adviser, Ministry of Infrastructures and the Environment

Canada: Steve Diggon, Regional Marine Stewardship and Planning Coordinator at Coastal First Nations-Great Bear Initiative

Namibia: Anja Kreiner, Senior Fisheries Biologist, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine

Resources

Seychelles: Alain de Comarmond, Principal Secretary, Environment Department, Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change, Republic of Seychelles

Korea: Jungho Nam, Research Fellow, Marine Policy Research Department, Korea Maritime Institute

China: Wei XU, Deputy Director of Sea Area and Islands Office, National Marine Functional Zoning, EXPERT COMMITTEE Office, National Ocean Technology Center, State Oceanic Administration

16.30 - 17.00 Coffee/Tea Break

17.00 - 18.20 Engaging stakeholders in MSP

A diverse panel of MSP stakeholders will discuss how MSP has assisted and affected their work. A special focus will be given to the process of engagement itself, illustrating wide ranging approaches to stakeholder participation.

Speakers:

Jacek Zaucha, Professor, Maritime Institute in Gdansk and Department of Economics, University of Gdansk, Poland

Anne Langaas Gossé, Senior Adviser, Section for petroleum and ocean management, Norwegian Environment Agency

Joanna Smith, Marine Spatial Planning Science Manager, TNC Canada (The Nature Conservancy)

Laurent Vigier, General Manager of Actimar (SUEZ Group)

Maria Deligianni, Senior Policy Advisor - Maritime Safety, Environment and Offshore, European Community Shipowners' Associations (ECSA)

18.20 - 18.30 Wrap-up & Preview of Second Day

Facilitator: Jacki Davis

Rapporteur: Dr. Damon Stanwell-Smith, Head of marine environment, NIRAS UK

18.30 - 20.30 Reception (Restaurant 7th floor)

DAY 2 – 16 MARCH

09.00 - 10.30 The connection between MSP and Global Ocean Governance goals

The adoption of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, a specific goal #14 for oceans and seas, and the European initiative on international ocean governance provide a strong framework for improving ocean health, protecting the marine environment and encouraging the sustainable development of the blue economy. Speakers will present these international targets promoting sustainable ocean governance and discuss the role of MSP in dealing with those challenges.

Facilitator: **Ida Reuterswärd**, Policy Officer, Swedish Ministry of the Environment and Energy

Speakers:

Julian Barbière, Head of Marine Policy and Regional Coordination section, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO

Felix Leinemann, Head of Blue Economy Sectors, Aquaculture and Maritime Spatial Planning Unit, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Jihyun Lee, Coordinator for marine and coastal biodiversity, Environmental Affairs Officer, Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

Lisa Emelia Svensson, United Nations Environment– Director for Ocean and Marine Programmes

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 - 12.30 Cross-border cooperation in MSP Part I

This two-part session will introduce a major study conducted for DG MARE on International good practice for cross-border MSP. A global snapshot of MSP processes will be presented, together with invited speakers involved in four case studies from (i) Rhode Island, USA; (ii) The Southern Ocean; (iii) Xiamen, China; and (iv)The Coral Triangle, main lessons learned and good practices in MSP identified through the case studies will also be presented, with a particular focus on cross-border collaboration.

Facilitator: Dr. Damon Stanwell-Smith, Head of marine environment, NIRAS UK

Rapporteur: Sara Méndez Roldán, Environmental Consultant, NIRAS UK

Speakers:

Steve Fletcher, Head of Marine Programme, UNEP-WCMC

Dominique Benzaken, Senior Ocean Governance Advisor, Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation (CFTC), Office of the Vice President, Government of Seychelles

Jennifer McCann, Director of US Coastal Programs, URI Coastal Resources Center

Gonçalo Carneiro, Senior Consultant, NIRAS Sweden

Mark Belchier, Chair, CCAMLR Scientific Committee

Hannah Thomas, Senior Programme Officer, UNEP-WCMC

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch Break

13.30 - 15.00 Cross-border cooperation in MSP Part II

Part 2 will focus on two further key elements of MSP explored in the DG MARE study: the implementation of hierarchical MSP plans and policies; and effective monitoring and evaluation. The session will conclude with key lessons learned across case studies and good practices identified in MSP, particularly in relation to cross-border cooperation.

Facilitator: Dr. Damon Stanwell-Smith, Head of Marine Environment, NIRAS UK

Rapporteur: Sara Méndez Roldán, Environmental Consultant, NIRAS UK

Speakers:

Qinhua Fang, Associate Professor, Coastal and Ocean Management Institute, Environmental Science Research Center, Xiamen University

Gonçalo Carneiro, Senior Consultant, NIRAS Sweden

Laura Whitford, Director of Development Policy and Partnerships Asia Pacific, The Nature Conservancy

Hannah Thomas, Senior Programme Officer, UNEP-WCMC

Stephen Olsen, Director Emeritus, URI Coastal Resources Center

15.00 - 15.30 Coffee Break

15.30 - 17.00 Good practices for science-based MSP

Speakers will share their lessons learnt on knowledge generation in the context of

the preparation, implementation and evaluation of MSP. Discussions will focus amongst others on the use of socio-economic data in the MSP process, on the challenges in the evaluation of cumulative effects and on the benefits coming from MSP implementation.

Facilitator: **Ingela Isaksson**, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, Sweden

Rapporteur: Riku Varjopuro, Head of Unit, Finnish Environment Agency, Finland

Speakers:

Paul Gilliland, Head of Marine planning, Marine Management Organisation, UK

Adrian Judd, Centre for Environment Fisheries and Aquaculture Science, UK

Jan Schmidtbauer Crona, Senior Analyst, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, Sweden

Paul Marshall, University of Queensland, Australia

Steven Vandenborre, Policy Advisor, Marien Milieu, Belgium

17.00 - 17.15 Wrap-up & Preview of Third Day

18.00 - 19.30 Communication workshop

This workshop will showcase good practices on how to communicate on marine spatial planning (MSP).

Facilitator: Christopher Malapitan, Visuality Belgium

Speakers:

Jochen Lamp, WWF, Germany

Marian Stuiver, MERMAID project

Lodewijk Abspoel, Ministry of Infrastructures and the Environment, Netherlands

Thyerry Ohayon, Marseille Métropole

19.30 - 21.30 Cocktail (Foyer/Monaco)

DAY 3 – 17 MARCH

09.00 - 10.30 MSP towards Sustainable Blue Growth

Blue Growth has an immense untapped potential for creating jobs, growth, and investments. Speakers will discuss how in practice MSP processes can lead to certainty and sustainability of our ocean economies.

Facilitator: **Bernhard Friess**, Director for Maritime Policy and Blue Economy, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

Rapporteur: **Marie Colombier**, Policy Officer, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

Speakers:

Bernhard Friess, Director for Maritime Policy and Blue Economy, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

Xin Teng, Associate Professor, Sea Area and Islands Office, National Marine Functional Zoning Expert Committee Office, National Ocean Technology Center, State Oceanic Administration, China

Jessica Hjerpe Olausson, Maritime expert, Region Västra Götaland, Sweden

Marc-Philip Buckhout, Vice Chair, Aquaculture Advisory Council

Marian Stuiver, Senior Researcher, Wageningen University

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 - 12.30 Institutional Capacity Development for MSP

The panelists will discuss the institutional capacity needs at regional and national level, including financial aspects, to promote adaptive management within MSP.

Facilitator: Angela Schultz-Zehden, Managing Director, S-Pro

Rapporteur: Claudia Delgado, IOC-UNESCO

Speakers:

Europe: Joseph Onwona Ansong, Research Assistant at University College Cork

America: Norma Patricia Muñoz-Sevilla, National Polytechnic Institute of Mexico-CIIEMAD **Africa: Dr. Badal Rezah**, Director General, Continental Shelf, Maritime Zone Administration of Mauritius

Asia: Dr. Nguyen Chu Hoi, Department of Environmental Management, Hanoi University of Sciences

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch Break

13.30 - 15.00 Ocean planning in Areas Beyond National Jurisdictions

The speakers will share practical examples of ocean planning in areas beyond national jurisdictions, highlighting relevant initiatives supported at regional level and projects being currently implemented.

Facilitator: David Johnson, Director, Seascape consultants

Rapporteur: Alessandra Lamotte, Policy Officer, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

Speakers:

Kristina Maria Gjerde, Senior High Seas Advisor IUCN Global Marine and polar programme

Julian Reyna-Moreno, Secretary General of the Permanent Commission of the Southeast Pacific

Dixon Waruinge, Head of the Secretariat of the Narobi Convention at UNEP

Darius Campbel, Executive Secretary, OSPAR Commission

15.00 - 15.30 Coffee/Tea Break

15.30 - 17.00 Priorities for the Next Decade and Concluding Remarks

The Closing session will review the main messages of the Conference underlining the key challenges for planners and the lessons learnt from the different countries.

Discussions will highlight the main priorities for MSP in the next decade.

Facilitators:

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Julian Barbière, Head of Section, Marine Policy and Regional Coordination IOC-UNESCO

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Speakers:

Vincent Bouvier, Secretary general for the sea, France

Anja Kreiner, Senior Fisheries Biologist, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources

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