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EXPERT MEETING

MONTE CARLO • MONACO • 11-12 DECEMBER 2018

Exploring the World Heritage Convention for High Seas Conservation



PROGRAMME

TUESDAY 11 DECEMBER

8.30 – 9.00	Arrival participants Novotel Monte-Carlo 16 Bd Princesse Charlotte – 98000 Monaco
9.00 – 9.15	Opening Welcome <i>Mechtild Rössler, Director, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO</i>
9.15 – 9.30	Welcome from the Partners <i>Phénia Marras-Aït Razouk, Agence française pour la biodiversité</i> <i>H.E. Bernard Fautrier, Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation</i>
9.30 – 9.45	Introduction: Objectives & Outcomes Expert Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scope of the project• Objectives of the meeting• Expected outcomes and results <i>Fanny Douvere, Coordinator, Marine Programme, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO</i>
9.45 – 10.15	Summary High Seas Negotiations United Nations Headquarters, New York <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update negotiations of the Intergovernmental Conference (IGC) on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ)• Opportunities & gaps - High Seas marine protected areas• How does the World Heritage Convention fit in? <i>Lisa Speer, Director Oceans Programme, Natural Resources Defense Council</i>
10.15 – 10.45	World Heritage Nomination, Protection and Reporting: the Basics <i>Mechtild Rössler, Director, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO</i>
10.45 – 11.15	Coffee/tea break
11.15 – 13.00	Summary and Discussion of 2016 Report “World Heritage in the High Seas: An Idea Whose Time Has Come” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The historical overview of the 1972 World Heritage Convention• Object and purposes of the Convention: How could change be brought about• Possible options for applying OUV in the High Seas <i>Moderator: David Freestone (Lead Author of 2016 Report)</i>
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch
14.30 – 16.00	Discussion: How could a site in ABNJ be nominated <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nomination and management modalities of possible World Heritage sites in ABNJ. <i>Moderator: Fanny Douvere and Lisa Speer</i>
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee/tea break
16.30 – 17.30	Case Study I: The Costa Rica Thermal Dome <i>Jorge Jiménez, Director, MarViva Foundation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation• Discussion on practical modalities needed to make it happen
17.30 – 18.00	Wrap up Day 1 <i>Fanny Douvere, Coordinator, Marine Programme, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO</i>
19.30	Dinner

WEDNESDAY 12 DECEMBER

9.30 – 11.00	Case Study II: The Sargasso Sea <i>David Freestone, Executive Secretary, Sargasso Sea Commission</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation• Discussion on practical modalities needed to make it happen
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee/tea break
11.30 – 13.00	Discussion: How could a site in ABNJ be nominated <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nomination and management modalities of possible World Heritage sites in ABNJ. <i>Moderator: Fanny Douvere and Lisa Speer</i>
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch
14.30 – 16.00	Summarizing key identified ideas and recommendations / next steps <i>Moderator: Fanny Douvere and Lisa Speer</i>
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee/tea break
16.30 – 17.00	Consolidation of action needed on draft materials and next steps <i>Moderator: Fanny Douvere and Lisa Speer</i>
17.00 – 17.30	Concluding remarks + closing of the meeting <i>Fanny Douvere, Coordinator, Marine Programme, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO</i>
19.30	Dinner

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 of Davidson Seamount at 1498 meters water depth.
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