

Agenda

BBNJ Capacity Building Workshop for UN Negotiations

Event hosted by Germany, the Abidjan Convention Secretariat, the Secretariat of the Permanent Commission for the South Pacific and the STRONG High Seas Project

9:00 – 9:15	Welcome on behalf of the STRONG High Seas Project and the Secretariats of the CPPS and Abidjan Convention Nicola Breier, BMU Sebastian Unger, IASS Méntor Villagómez, CPPS
9:15 – 9:25	Overview of the training Kristina Gjerde, IUCN
9:25 – 9:45	Tour de Table Introductions Kristina Gjerde, IUCN
9:45 – 10:15	Coffee Break
Understanding the BBNJ Negotiations	
10:15 – 10:30	Presentation: What to Expect from the BBNJ Negotiations Charlotte Salpin, DOALOS
10:30 – 10:40	Q&A & Discussion
10:40 – 10:55	Presentation: State of Play of the BBNJ Negotiations Glen Wright, IDDRI
10:55 – 11:05	Q&A & Discussion
Underpinning a Strong Global High Seas Agreement through Regional and Sectoral Governance	
11:05 – 11:20	Presentation: Relevance of regional and sectoral ocean governance to implementing a strong international instrument Kristina Gjerde, IUCN
11:20 – 12:30	Discussion: Opportunities and challenges of the BBNJ negotiations Open discussion between participants about the opportunities and challenges of the BBNJ negotiations for their country and/or region
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
Working Groups	
13:30 – 13:40	Introduction to the Working Groups Kristina Gjerde, IUCN
13:40 – 14:30	Working Groups (Part I): The BBNJ “building blocks” Participants will break into 3 working groups with moderators to focus on key deliverables for the BBNJ negotiations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WG I: Marine Genetic Resources, incl. capacity building/technology transfer <i>Moderators: Hiroko Muraki Gottlieb, ICEL and Harriet Harden-Davies, ANCORS</i> • WG II: Area-based Management Tools, including MPAs, incl. capacity building/technology transfer <i>Moderators: Kristina Gjerde, IUCN and Ben Boteler, IASS</i> • WG III: Environmental Impacts Assessments, incl. capacity building/technology transfer <i>Moderators: Glen Wright, IDDRI and Carole Durussel, IASS</i>

Working Groups (cont.)	
14.30 – 15:00	Working Groups (Part II): Preparation of Presentations Within each working group, preparation of a presentation on the BBNJ element and summary of their discussions to be made in plenary
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:00	Working Groups (Part III): Presentations in Plenary Each of the groups will nominate someone to present the topic and summary of their discussions to the rest of the training participants (about 10 mins per group)
16:00 – 17:15	Plenary Discussion Plenary discussion on the outcomes of the Working Groups and Q&A
17:15 – 17:30	Closure of the training on behalf of the STRONG High Seas Project and the Secretariats of the CPPS and Abidjan Convention Nicola Breier, BMU Sebastian Unger, IASS Méntor Villagómez, CPPS

About the STRONG High Seas project

The STRONG High Seas project is a five-year project that aims to strengthen regional ocean governance for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in ABNJ in view of the BBNJ negotiations. Working with the Secretariat of the Comisión Permanente del Pacífico Sur (CPPS; Permanent Commission for the South Pacific) and the Secretariat of the West and Central Africa Regional Seas Programme (Abidjan Convention), it brings together key science and policy actors in the Southeast Pacific and Southeast Atlantic regions to develop and propose targeted measures to support the coordinated development of integrated and ecosystem-based management approaches for ocean governance in ABNJ. The STRONG High Seas project is coordinated by the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) and implemented together with the Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI), BirdLife International, the International Ocean Institute (IOI) – Southern Africa, the Universidad Católica del Norte (UCN), WWF Colombia, and WWF Germany.

For more information about the STRONG High Seas project, please visit: <https://www.prog-ocean.org/our-work/strong-high-seas/> or contact: stronghighseas@iass-potsdam.de.

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