



# WORKSHOP AGENDA

## 'The Role of Regional Cooperation Efforts for the High Seas of the Southeast Pacific'

### **Objectives of the workshop:**

- Provide a setting for States and stakeholders to exchange about lessons learnt and best practices in regional ocean governance, particularly with regard to the conservation of biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction;
- Identify opportunities for stakeholders to engage with regional and global processes as well as considerations for capacity and knowledge in the Southeast Pacific region in the form of new information and knowledge exchange;
- Present and discuss the scientific work of the STRONG High Seas project, particularly on: a) the current or potential contributions of marine areas, and in particular ABNJ of the Southeast Pacific, to human wellbeing (i.e. socioeconomic benefits, jobs and livelihoods and ecosystem services); b) conservation and management measures for marine biodiversity in ABNJ for the Southeast Pacific; and c) capacity considerations;
- Present and discuss the upcoming scientific work of the STRONG High Seas project on cross-sectoral management of areas beyond national jurisdiction (ABNJ), with a particular focus on the Southeast Pacific, and identify opportunities for collaboration with stakeholders in the region on this work;
- Take stock of the STRONG High Seas project, including its progress to date and discuss opportunities for ensuring its value and relevance to the Southeast Pacific region for the future; and
- Consider effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the region, including for policy processes.

### Workshop agenda:

	GMT-8	GMT-5	GMT-4	GMT-3	GMT	GMT+1
	California, USA	Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Peru	Chile & NYC, USA	Uruguay	UK	Germany
Workshop	7:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	15:30	16:30
Start Time						
Workshop	10:30	12:30	13:30	14:30	18:30	19:30
End Time						

### All times displayed in this agenda are in <u>GMT-5</u> (Guayaquil time)





Day 1 – 26 May 2021		
9:15 - 9:30	Online platform open for participants to login	
(GMT-5)	Day 1 facilitated by Zuleika Pinzón (Permanent Commission for the South Pacific, CPPS)	
9:30 - 9:40	Opening of the workshop and housekeeping rules	
	Zuleika Pinzón (CPPS)	
9:40 – 9:50	Welcome on behalf of the CPPS Secretariat & the STRONG High Seas project	
	Ambassador Méntor Villagómez (General Secretary, CPPS) Dr. Carole Durussel (Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, IASS)	
9:50 - 10:00	Workshop objectives Short introduction to the objectives of these two days of workshop	
	Zuleika Pinzón (CPPS)	
10:00 - 10:15	Short introduction round in small groups Poll followed by tour de table in small break-out groups	
	Facilitated by Zuleika Pinzón (CPPS)	
10:15 – 10:35	Session 1: Update from ongoing activities and BBNJ Negotiations Update on the STRONG High Seas project This presentation will introduce the STRONG High Seas project, the project work to date and plan for the last year of project implementation. It will also provide a short introduction to the STRONG High Seas Interactive Website. Dr. Carole Durussel (IASS)	
	Victor Casique (WWF Colombia)	
	Followed by Q&A	
10:35 – 10:55	<b>Update on the BBNJ Negotiations &amp; other global policy processes</b> <i>This presentation will provide an overview of the negotiations for a legally</i> <i>binding international instrument under the United Nations for the conservation</i> <i>and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national</i> <i>jurisdiction (BBNJ Negotiations) as well as other relevant global policy</i> <i>processes.</i>	
	Gustavo Arévalo (Director of Legal Affairs, CPPS)	
	Followed by Q&A	
10:55 – 11:15	<b>Update from the CPPS Secretariat</b> This presentation will provide an overview of the CPPS work since the last Dialogue Workshop in February 2020	
	Marcelo Nilo (Director of Scientific Affairs, CPPS)	
	Followed by Q&A	
11:15 – 11:20	Group Picture	
11:20 – 11:30	Short break (10 minutes)	





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D	Session 2: Update from the Southeast Pacific region Discussion with States and stakeholders on ongoing and upcoming activities in the Southeast Pacific region		
	activities in the Southeast Pacific region Workshop participants will be asked to share their views and discuss the		
	ollowing questions:		
	• What new activities have you or your organisation, ministry,		
	department, etc. undertaken in the last year related to the conservation and sustainable use of the marine environment, including in ABNJ?		
	<ul> <li>From your perspective, which effect(s) has the COVID-19 pandemic (had) on the Southeast Pacific region in terms of conservation and sustainable use of the marine environment, including ABNJ, as well as on related policy processes?</li> <li>If you or your organisation, ministry, department, etc. have been</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>If you of your organisation, ministry, department, etc. have been engaged with the BBNJ process to date (including the recent Intersessionals), what key take away messages or lessons have you drawn from this participation, particularly regarding considerations for States and stakeholders of the Southeast Pacific region?</li> <li>Looking forward, what important steps and/or activities do you identify</li> </ul>		
	as essential to conclude the BBNJ negotiations and successfully implement the BBNJ instrument in the Southeast Pacific region?		
F	acilitated by Zuleika Pinzón (CPPS Secretariat)		
7	<b>Considerations for capacity: biodiversity conservation in ABNJ</b> This presentation will provide a discussion regarding considerations for expacity.		
L	uis German Naranjo & Tim Packeiser (WWF Colombia & WWF Germany)		
F	ollowed by Q&A		
12:25 – 12:30 C	Close of day 1		
z	uleika Pinzón (CPPS Secretariat)		
12:30 – 13:00 S	Social event		
C	Optional social event for workshop participants		
Day 2 – 27 May 2021			
9:15 – 9:30 C	Online platform open for participants to login		
D	Day 2 facilitated by Paula Bueno (WWF Colombia)		
9:30 – 9:40 V	Velcome and summary of day 1		
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P 7	Session 3: STRONG High Seas project work Presentation of the socio-economic report This presentation will showcase the key insights and recommendations from the socio-economic assessment prepared by the STRONG High Seas project		
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10:00 – 10:20	<ul> <li>Presentation of the conservation measures report</li> <li>This presentation will provide an overview of the work of STRONG High Seas,</li> <li>particularly a summary of the technical expert workshops organised in</li> <li>January and March 2021 as well as the findings and progress on the</li> <li>conservation measures report.</li> <li>Luis Zapata &amp; Gustavo Castellanos (WWF Colombia)</li> <li>Followed by Q&amp;A</li> </ul>
10:20 – 10:35	<ul> <li>Discussion &amp; feedback on the STRONG High Seas project</li> <li>Workshop participants will be asked to share their views and discuss the following questions: <ul> <li>How has the STRONG High Seas project been useful in supporting you or your organisation, ministry or department's work?</li> <li>In which ways could the STRONG High Seas project further support you or your organisation, ministry or department's work in the future?</li> </ul> </li> <li>Facilitated by Paula Bueno (WWF Colombia)</li> </ul>
10:35 – 10:50	Short Break (15 minutes)
10:50 – 11:10	Session 4: Interactive session on the role of regional cooperation for ABNJ Introduction to the session The session will introduce the interactive session Facilitated by Carolina Hazin, BirdLife International Followed by Q&A
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11:10 - 11:55	<ul> <li>Interactive session</li> <li>Break-out groups discussions. Workshop participants will be asked to share their views and discuss the following questions: <ul> <li>What, if any, issues or challenges in ocean governance for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in the Southeast Pacific could be better addressed through strengthened regional cooperation?</li> <li>How could these issues be addressed effectively: through which approaches (e.g. legal, scientific, political) and through which instruments (e.g., agreements, tools, etc.)? Please also consider existing efforts, ongoing initiatives, and opportunities to build on them.</li> <li>Who are essential actors who should play a key role in the development and implementation of the recommended cooperation/action?</li> <li>When could such cooperation take place considering relevant, current and future, national, regional, and global policy timeframes?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:55 – 12:25	Plenary discussion
	Facilitated by Carolina Hazin, BirdLife International





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12:25 – 12:30	Closing of the workshop by the CPPS Secretariat & the STRONG High Seas project	
	Ambassador Méntor Villagómez (General Secretary, CPPS) Dr. Carole Durussel (IASS)	