

AGENDA

Towards Integrated Ocean Management of the High Seas: Lessons Learnt for Regional and Global Action

29 – 31 March 2022, Online Platform Zoom

This workshop is part of a series of workshops organised under the STRONG High Seas project in the Southeast Atlantic and Southeast Pacific regions with the aim to bring together stakeholders to discuss current challenges as well as opportunities for global and regional ocean governance, foster exchange of knowledge and information, and build new networks. It will apply an interactive approach to enable information exchange between participants and feature action-oriented discussions with high-level actors and experts. This workshop aims to discuss lessons learnt and critical steps for regional and global action necessary to make progress towards integrated ocean management of the high seas.

Objectives of the workshop:

The objective of this workshop is to provide a setting for States and stakeholders from the Southeast Atlantic and Southeast Pacific regions, and beyond, to share lessons learnt and identify key actions for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction. In particular, the workshop will build on scientific findings from the STRONG High Seas project and reflections from participants to suggest and discuss targeted actions to:

- Foster multi-stakeholder cooperation both between governance levels and across sectors to support the successful implementation of the future agreement on marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ Agreement);
- Underpin ongoing as well as identify new regional initiatives and actions to enhance multi-stakeholder collaboration in an effort to underpin conservation efforts, such as through area-based management tools, in support of regional and global goals; and
- Identify key areas of convergence with the implementation of the future BBNJ Agreement across issues, such as climate change, deep-seabed mining, post-2020 global biodiversity framework, where collaborative efforts are necessary to address cross-cutting challenges and underpin joint action.

Workshop times:

Please note that the times indicated in this agenda are based on the time zone for Germany.

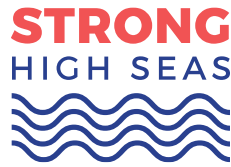
	New Zealand	Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Peru	New York	Chile, Uruguay	Côte d’Ivoire	Cameroon, UK	South Africa, Germany	Kenya
Start Time	3:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00
End Time	5:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00



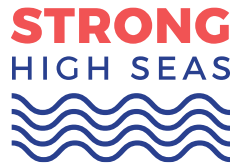
Day 1 – 29 March 2022	
15:45 (German Time)	Online platform open for participants to login
16:00 – 16:05	Opening of the workshop and housekeeping rules Dr. Susan Waugh, BirdLife International
16:05 – 16:20	Welcome on behalf of the STRONG High Seas project from the German Government, CPPS Secretariat, UN Environment & the IASS Parliamentary State Secretary Dr. Bettina Hoffmann (BMUV, Germany) Ambassador José Luis Pérez Sánchez-Cerro (General Secretary, CPPS) Ms. Kerstin Stendahl (Head of Ecosystems Integration Branch, UN Environment Programme) Dr. Carole Durussel (Co-Lead, STRONG High Seas, IASS)
16:20 – 16:30	Workshop objectives & introduction round Dr. Susan Waugh, BirdLife International
16:30 – 16:35	Group Picture Dr. Susan Waugh, BirdLife International
16:35 – 16:55	Session 1: The role of multi-stakeholder cooperation within the future BBNJ Agreement and its implementation Presentation: Findings from the STRONG High Seas project on the role of multi-stakeholder cooperation within the future BBNJ Agreement and its implementation <i>Key messages from the STRONG High Seas project and reflections for the panel discussion</i> Dr. Carole Durussel, IASS
16:55 – 17:55	Panel Discussion: Reflections on the role of multi-stakeholder cooperation within the future BBNJ Agreement and its implementation <i>Discussion and reflections on the current state of the BBNJ negotiations and the role of multi-stakeholder cooperation for the successful implementation of the BBNJ Agreement, including from an African and South American perspective, and necessary next steps and actions needed</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister Giancarlo León Collazos, Peru • Mr. Salvador Vega, Chile • Mr. Jean Kenfack, Cameroon • Mr. Paul Lamin, Sierra Leone • Ms. Klaudija Cremers, IDDRI (STRONG High Seas Project) Moderation by Mr. Sebastian Unger, IASS <i>Followed by Q&A</i>
17:55 – 18:00	Close of day 1 Dr. Susan Waugh, BirdLife International



Day 2 – 30 March 2022	
15:45 (German Time)	Online platform open for participants to login
16:00 – 16:15	Welcome and summary of day 1 Ms. Leticia Greyling, International Ocean Institute – South Africa
16:15 – 16:35	Session 2: Applying multi-stakeholder cooperation in regional initiatives for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction Presentation: Findings from the STRONG High Seas Project on applying multi-stakeholder in regional initiatives for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction <i>Key messages from the STRONG High Seas project and reflections for the panel discussions</i> Ms. Carolina Hazin, BirdLife International
16:35 – 17:55	Panel Discussion: Applying multi-stakeholder cooperation in regional initiatives for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction <i>Discussion and reflections on multi-stakeholder regional initiatives in the context of BBNJ</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Godfrey Baidoo-Tsibu, FCWC-PESCAO Regional MCS Centre (Monitoring, Control and Surveillance) • Dr. Tammy Davies, BirdLife International (NACES Marine Protected Area) • Dr. Kerry Howell, University of Plymouth (deep sea ecosystems) • Dr. Carlos Gaymer, UCN (Sala y Gomez & Nazca Ridges and STRONG High Seas Project) • Ms. Carolina Hazin, BirdLife International (STRONG High Seas Project) Moderation by Dr. Luis Germán Naranjo, WWF Colombia <i>Followed by Q&A</i>
17:55 – 18:00	Close of day 2 Ms. Leticia Greyling, International Ocean Institute – South Africa



Day 3 – 31 March 2022	
15:45 (German Time)	Online platform open for participants to login
16:00 – 16:15	Welcome and summary of day 2 Dr. Gustavo Castellanos, WWF Colombia
16:15 – 16:35	Session 3: Collaborative action in global ocean governance to address biodiversity loss, climate change, and cross-cutting challenges Presentation: Findings from the STRONG High Seas project on where collaborative action is necessary to address biodiversity loss, climate change, and cross-cutting challenges <i>Key messages from the STRONG High Seas project and reflections for the panel discussions</i> Ms. Paula Bueno, WWF Colombia
16:35 – 17:45	Panel Discussion: Collaborative actions to address cross-cutting challenges in the context of global ocean governance <i>Discussion and reflections on collaborative actions to address cross-cutting challenges in the context of global ocean governance</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambassador Waldemar Coutts, Chile • Dr. David Obura, CORDIO East Africa • Ms. Ilka Wagner, Germany • Mr. Pradeep Singh, University of Bremen • Mr. Rémi Parmentier, The Varda Group • Ms. Paula Bueno, WWF Colombia (STRONG High Seas Project) Moderation by Dr. Julien Rochette, IDDRI <i>Followed by Q&A</i>
17:45 – 17:50	Summary Remarks <i>Summary remarks of the workshop</i> Mr. Ben Boteler, IASS
17:50 – 18:00	Closing of the workshop by the German Government, CPPS Secretariat, UN Environment and the IASS Ms. Ilka Wagner (BMUV, Germany) Ambassador José Luis Pérez Sánchez-Cerro (General Secretary, CPPS) TBD (UN Environment) Mr. Ben Boteler (Co-Lead, STRONG High Seas, IASS)



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 areas beyond national jurisdiction. It 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. 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), the project will develop and propose targeted measures to support the coordinated development of integrated and ecosystem-based management approaches for ocean governance in areas beyond national jurisdiction.

The STRONG High Seas project has the following overarching objectives:

1. Facilitate the development of improved management approaches for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction in the Southeast Pacific and Southeast Atlantic regions;
2. Identify best practices and provide support to regional institutions and national authorities for implementing existing regional instruments;
3. Develop options for regional governance in a future international instrument under UNCLOS and transfer regional lessons learned to the global level to promote ocean governance.

For more information about the STRONG High Seas project, please visit or contact: stronghighseas@iass-potsdam.de.

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