

Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) Global Partnership Meeting

3-4 October 2014, Mayfield Hotel & Resort

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Organized by Korea Maritime Institute and CBD Secretariat

Sponsored by the Ministry of Ocean and Fisheries of the Republic of Korea

A global platform to build partnerships and enhance capacity to achieve the Aichi Biodiversity Targets related to marine and coastal biodiversity

“The time to act is now, if we are to ensure a healthy and sustainable future for the environments that cover three-quarters of the surface of our globe—the environments that make ours a beautiful, blue planet”

(from One Ocean — Many Worlds of Life, 2012 International Day for Biological Diversity)

- This meeting aims to develop an action plan for the implementation of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative. The SOI action plan seeks to mobilize a broad range of technical and scientific cooperation as well as capacity building opportunities in support of accelerating current efforts by countries toward achieving Aichi Biodiversity Targets, particularly in marine and coastal areas.
- The results of this meeting will inform the forthcoming Sustainable Ocean Initiative High-level Meeting, to be held on 16 October 2014, in Pyeongchang, Korea, as a parallel session of the High-level Segment of COP 12.
- SOI is currently being funded by the Japan Biodiversity Fund and *Agence des aires marines protégées* (French marine protected areas agency), and its implementation is being coordinated by the CBD Secretariat in collaboration with various partners.

Sustainable Ocean Initiative Mission:

To provide a global platform to build partnerships and enhance capacity to achieve the Aichi Biodiversity Targets related to marine and coastal biodiversity in a holistic manner by:

- *facilitating the sharing and exchange of knowledge, information and experiences;*
- *creating partnerships that can provide targeted capacity-building and technical assistance in support of on-the-ground implementation priorities;*
- *enhancing interactive communication among global policy, science and local stakeholders;*
- *monitoring progress on the Aichi Biodiversity Targets related to marine and coastal biodiversity;*
- *developing partnerships among different sectors and stakeholders at local, regional and global scales; and*
- *working together to achieve a balance between the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity, and promoting flexible and diverse approaches towards this end.*

Provisional Programme

3 October (Friday) 2014

<i>Time</i>	<i>Programme Activities</i>
	<i>Co-chaired by Christophe Lefebvre (French MPA Agency) and Anne McDonald (Sophia University, Japan)</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Opening Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Haenam Moon (Deputy Minister for Marine Policy Office, Ministry of Ocean and Fisheries, Republic of Korea) • Mr. Sung-Gwi Kim (President of Korea Maritime Institute) • Mr. Kazuaki Hoshino (Advisor to the Minister of Environment, Japan) • Mr. Christophe Lefebvre (French MPA Agency) • Representative of CBD Executive Secretary
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Group Photo</i> <i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
11:00 - 11:15	Meeting objectives, expected outcome and draft plan of actions for implementing the Sustainable Ocean Initiative toward 2020 (by CBD Secretariat)
11:15 - 12:30	Session I. Marine biodiversity for sustainable ocean development Plenary session Theme presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chul-hwan Koh (Seoul National University) • David Obura (CORDIO East Africa) • Nix Bax (CSIRO/Australia) • Adrian Ross (Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia) • Andrea Ramirez Martinez (Colombia) • Kate Brown (Global Island Partnerships) Each speaker will highlight in their presentation the followings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Value and importance of marine and coastal biodiversity for sustainable ocean development in their respective countries and/or regions ✓ Major challenges, barriers and opportunities in implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and attaining Aichi Biodiversity Targets in marine and coastal areas ✓ Regional/country priorities for capacity development and partnerships Q&A

	Open Forum
12:45 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 - 18:00	<p>Session 2. Plan of actions for implementing the Sustainable Ocean Initiative toward 2020</p> <p><i>Plenary and break-out sessions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the plenary, participants will be invited to share their views on potential areas of collaboration within the framework of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative in order to facilitate accelerating efforts by CBD Parties in implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets in marine and coastal areas. • In particular, they will articulate their specific areas of expertise and experiences that can contribute to the implementation of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative, and possible ways of aligning their existing initiatives within the framework of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative. • Based on the plenary discussion, break-out group discussion will be organized, focusing on the various SOI implementation activities, including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Global-level coordination and creating synergies among various SOI activities ○ Developing region-based capacity-building programmes/facilities ○ Information-sharing, learning exchange, and monitoring of progress ○ Training of trainers and facilitating regional/sub-regional and national/sub-national implementation
19:00 - 21:00	Dinner Reception

4 October (Saturday) 2014

<i>Time</i>	<i>Programme Activities</i>
	<p><i>Co-chaired by Christophe Lefebvre (French MPA Agency) and Anne McDonald (Sophia University, Japan)</i></p>
09:00 – 11:00	<p><i>Session 2. Plan of actions for implementing the Sustainable Ocean Initiative toward 2020 (continued)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the results of break-out sessions • Open forum

11:00 - 12:00	<p><i>Session 3. Key messages to SOI High-level Meeting</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants will articulate key messages, building upon the meeting discussion and results, to be delivered to the Sustainable Ocean Initiative High-level Meeting to be convened on 16 October (Pyeongchang)
12:00 - 12:30	Closure of the Meeting