

COP 11 Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) High-level Side Event

17 October (Wednesday) 2012, 13:15 - 14:45

Hyderabad International Convention Center, Venue (TBD)



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

Objectives

- To formalize partnership arrangements among various partners that have indicated their interest in joining the Sustainable Ocean Initiative
- To increase awareness of the Initiative and mobilize wide-level support of COP 11 participants

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, experiences and practices;
- 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 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.

- *SOI is currently being funded by the Japan Biodiversity Fund and the Agence des aires marines protégées (French MPA Agency), and its implementation is being coordinated by the CBD Secretariat in collaboration with various partners.*
- *This event is convened by the CBD Secretariat and sponsored by the Agence des aires marines protégées.*

Time	Programme Activities (Co-chaired by Patricio Bernal and Anne McDonald)
13:15 – 13:35	<p>Opening of the meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Braulio Ferreira De Souza Dias (CBD Executive Secretary) • Mr. Hem Pande (Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment, India) / Mr. J.R. Bhatt (Advisor, Ministry of Environment, India) • Mr. Kazuaki Hoshino (Deputy Director-General of Nature Conservation Bureau, Ministry of Environment, Japan) • Mr. Christophe Lefebvre (French MPA Agency) • Mr. Malcolm Thompson (Deputy Secretary, Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Populations and Communities, Australia) • Ms. Rachel Kyte (Vice President, Sustainable Development, World Bank) • Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw (Director of the Division of Environmental Policy Implementation, UNEP) • Ms. Veerle Vandeweerd (Director of Environment and Energy Group, UNDP) <p>Reading of SOI mission statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ronald Jumeau (Seychelles Ambassador for Climate Change and Small Island Developing State Issues)
13:35 – 13:40	<p>Sustainable Ocean Initiative Partnership Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening speakers will be invited to add their names to the SOI banner on the wall as a symbol of their support for the SOI mission
13:40 – 13:45	<p>Key messages from SOI High-level Meeting in Yeosu (June 2012) and SOI Programme Development Meeting in Kanazawa (August 2011) : SOI concept, approaches and roadmap</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Patricio Bernal (Global Coordinator, Global Ocean Biodiversity Initiative) and Ms. Anne McDonald (Sophia University, Japan)
13:45 – 14:25	<p>Statements in support of SOI mission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Ana Paula Prates (Brazil) • Mr. Song-il Ri (DPR Korea) • Mr. Nobuyuki Yagi (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japan) • Mr. Alexander Shestakov (Russia) • Ms. Malta Qwathekana (South Africa) • Ms. Edite Estrela (Chair of European Parliament delegation) • Ms. Nicole Glineur (GEF Secretariat) • Mr. Michael Shewchuk (UN Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea) • Mr. Peter E. Kenmore (FAO Representative in India) • Mr. Albert Fisher (Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission/UNESCO) • Mr. Dixon Waruinge (UNEP/Nairobi Convention) • Mr. Stuart Chape (Secretariat of Pacific Regional Environment Programme) • Mr. Jake Rice (IUCN-CEM-Fisheries Expert Group) • Mr. Thierry Fayet (Vice-President of Brest Metropole Oceane of France and the MarITIN network of coastal cities) • Ms. Chandrika Sharma (International Collective in Support of Fishworkers (ICSF)) • Mr. Ben Lascelles (BirdLife International) • Mr. Arona Soumare (WWF-Senegal) • Mr. Jorge Jimenez (MarViva, Costa Rica)
14:25 – 14:30	<p>Launch of SOI Capacity-building Workshop in West Africa (January 2013)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Souleye Ndiaye (Senegal) and Ms. Jihyun Lee (CBD Secretariat)
14:30 – 14:35	<p>Launch of SOI leadership meeting at IMPAC 3 (October 2013)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Christophe Lefebvre (French MPA Agency)
14:35 - 14:45	<p>All participants will be invited to add their names to the SOI banner on the wall as a symbol of their support for the SOI mission</p>