



Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the General Assembly

**United Nations Headquarters, New York
22 to 26 April 2013**

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Monday, 22 April 2013

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Item 1. Opening of the meeting

1. The Co-Chairs will open the proceedings and make opening remarks.
2. The Secretary-General or his representative will make opening remarks.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda

3. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider and adopt the agenda for the meeting.

Item 3. Organization of work

4. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the proposed organization of work for the meeting. The agenda items may be advanced depending on the progress made in the discussions.

Item 4. Report of the Bureau of the Regular Process (see paragraphs 205 and 206 of resolution 66/231 and paragraph 229 of resolution 67/78)

5. The Co-Chairs will report on the activities and progress in the context of the Regular Process and in particular on the activities of the Bureau since the last meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole.

Item 5. Workshops in support of the first cycle of the Regular Process (see paragraph 230 of resolution 67/78)

6. Representatives from Australia, Belgium, Mozambique and United States of America will be invited to report on the convening of Workshops in support of the first cycle of the Regular Process. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will consider the reports of the Workshops for [the southwest Pacific (Australia)]; the North Atlantic, the Baltic Sea, the Mediterranean Sea and the Black Sea (Belgium); [the western Indian Ocean (Mozambique);] and the wider Caribbean (United States of America).



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3 – 6 p.m.

Item 6. Process of preparing the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process (see paragraphs 222, 223 and 226 of resolution 67/78).

7. The Joint Coordinators of the Group of Experts will report on the process of preparing the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process (Guidance for contributors, Appointments to the Pool of Experts, Designation and assignment of experts, Meeting of drafters, Peer-review panels, Coordination with other processes, Revised timeline). The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the process of preparing the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process and how to make the best use of the role of the Pool of Experts in various ways. It will also be invited to consider the designation and assignment of experts, proposed by the Group of Experts, to the chapters of the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process.

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10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Item 7. Format of the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process.

8. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the format of the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process on the basis of background information prepared by the secretariat of the Regular Process.

3 – 6 p.m.

Item 8. Communication requirements and data and information management of the Regular Process (see paragraph 225 and 242 of resolution 67/78).

9. The secretariat of the Regular Process will report on the status of the website of the Regular Process. The Joint Coordinators of the Group of Experts will report on communication requirements and data and information management of the Regular Process. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider these reports.

Wednesday, 24 April 2013

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Item 9. Preliminary inventory of existing opportunities and arrangements for capacity-building for assessments (see paragraph 227 of resolution 66/231)

10. The secretariat of the Regular Process will report on the preparation of the preliminary inventory of existing opportunities and arrangements for capacity-building for assessments. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider



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the preliminary inventory of existing opportunities and arrangements for capacity-building for assessments.

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Item 10. Consideration of an approach on how to contribute to the promotion and facilitation of capacity-building through international cooperation, making full use of existing opportunities and arrangements for capacity-building (see paragraph 228 of resolution 67/78).

11. Based on information to be provided by the secretariat of the Regular Process, the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider an approach on how to contribute to the promotion and facilitation of capacity-building through international cooperation, making full use of existing opportunities and arrangements for capacity-building, taking into consideration the specific needs identified by Member States, including through the regional Workshops.

Thursday, 25 April 2013

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Item 11. Resources needed to support the Regular Process, including the status of the Regular Process Trust Fund (see paragraphs 240 and 241 of resolution 67/78).

12. The Joint Coordinators will report on the resources necessary for the second phase of the first cycle of the Regular Process and the completion of the first global integrated marine assessment by 2014. The secretariat of the Regular Process will make a statement on the status of the Regular Process Trust Fund and the strengthening of the capacity of the Division, in particular its human resources. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the resources needed to support the Regular Process.

3 – 6 p.m.

Item 12. Adoption of recommendations to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly (see paragraph 231 of resolution 67/78).

13. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider and adopt recommendations to be submitted to the General Assembly for consideration at its sixty-eighth session under the agenda item entitled, “Oceans and the law of the sea”.

Friday, 26 April 2013

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Item 12 (cont'd). Adoption of recommendations to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly (see paragraph 231 of resolution 67/78).



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14. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider and adopt recommendations to be submitted to the General Assembly for consideration at its sixty-eighth session under the agenda item entitled, “Oceans and the law of the sea”.

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Item 13. Other matters

15. Delegations will be invited to raise any other matters if they so wish.

Item 14. Closure of the meeting

16. The meeting will be closed by the Co-Chairs.