

BBNJ Resumed IGC-5
Informal informals on capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology
Oral report of the Facilitator
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1. During the informal informals on capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology, held on 20 February 2023, delegations discussed articles of Part V in two clusters.
2. Regarding the first cluster of articles, namely articles 42, 43 and 46:
 - There seemed to be a significant degree of agreement on the substance of these articles, with some drafting proposals regarding the addition, deletion, or the placement of particular terms.
 - Certain issues of a cross-cutting nature, such as the listing of States, remain pending subject to the evolving discussion of delegations.
3. Regarding the second cluster of articles, namely articles 44, 45, 47 and 47bis:
 - Delegations offered different approaches on how to frame the nature of the obligation contained in article 44, paragraph (1).
 - Some delegations expressed the view that the wording concerning the transfer of marine technology in article 44, paragraph (1), should be agreed in close connection with the modalities to be set out in article 45.
 - While we did not have time to discuss the remaining articles in this cluster, I invited delegations to consider these articles in the small groups to make further progress.
4. As a way forward, I will lead a small group this afternoon at 3pm in Conference Room A on articles 44, 45, 47 and 47 bis. Tomorrow afternoon the small group will focus on finalizing the remaining articles from the first cluster, namely articles 42, 43, and 46. The small group will then report back to Friday's Informal informal on progress with the aim of producing a clean text.