



**Calendar of meetings in 2025 organized or coordinated by UN-Oceans members**  
(as at 27 May 2025)

| <b>Meeting dates</b> | <b>UN-Oceans focal point(s)</b> | <b>Meeting</b>   |
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| <i>16 January</i>    | <i>OLA/DOALOS</i>               | <i>1st regular UN-Oceans meeting</i>   |
| 3 – 8 February       | CITES                           | 78th meeting of the Standing Committee (SC78) (Geneva, Switzerland)  |
| 14 March             | OHCHR                           | Presentation of the thematic report on Oceans and Human Rights by the UN Special Rapporteur on the human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment at the 58th session of the UN Human Rights Council (Geneva, Switzerland)  |
| 25-27 February       | FAO                             | Honiara Summit on SDG14.4: Achieving Sustainable Fisheries (Honiara, Solomon Islands)  |
| <i>20 February</i>   | <i>OLA/DOALOS</i>               | <i>2nd regular UN-Oceans meeting</i>   |
| 3 – 5 March          | UNCTAD                          | 5th United Nations Ocean Forum on trade-related aspects of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Ocean economy, trade policy, the climate and development nexus (Geneva, Switzerland)   |
| 3 – 28 March         | ISA                             | ISA 30th session – Part I (Kingston, Jamaica)  |
| 3 April              | UNFCCC                          | Virtual Informal Exchange of Views on the Preparation for the Ocean and Climate Change Dialogue 2025   |
| 7 – 11 April         | IMO                             | 83rd session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 83) (London, UK)   |
| 7 – 11 April         | ILO                             | Fifth Meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee established under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended (Geneva, Switzerland)   |
| <i>10 April</i>      | <i>OLA/DOALOS</i>               | <i>3rd regular UN-Oceans meeting</i>   |
| 14 – 15 April        | ILO                             | Subcommittee on Wages of Seafarers of the Joint Maritime Commission (Geneva, Switzerland)  |
| 14 – 25 April        | OLA/DOALOS                      | BBNJ: first session of the Preparatory Commission for the Entry into Force of the Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction and the Convening of the First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Agreement (BBNJ Preparatory Commission) (New York) |
| 21 – 25 April        | FAO                             | Meeting of the Part States Measures Agreement (PSMA) (Manta, Ecuador)  |
| 4 – 16 May           | IOC-UNESCO, UNDP, UNEP          | 24th Annual Large Marine Ecosystems (LME24) Consultative Meeting (Athens, Greece)  |
| 14 – 18 May          | OLA/DOALOS                      | Informal Consultations of States Parties to the UN Fish Stocks Agreement (ICSP/18): eighteenth round (New York)  |
| 20 – 23 May          | FAO                             | FAO Committee on Fisheries, Sub-Committee on Aquaculture (Rome, Italy)   |
| <i>29 May</i>        | <i>OLA/DOALOS</i>               | <i>4th regular UN-Oceans meeting</i>   |
| 8 June               | OLA/DOALOS                      | World Oceans Day   |
| 9 – 13 June          | DESA                            | 2025 UN Ocean Conference: High-level 2025 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable   |

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|                          |            | Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development (Nice, France)  |
| 11 June                  | UNEP       | 24th Global Annual Meeting of the Regional Seas Programme (Nice, France)  |
| 16 – 20 June             | OLA/DOALOS | United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Ocean and the Law of the Sea – twenty-fifth meeting on the theme “ <i>Capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology: New developments, approaches and challenges</i> ” (New York)            |
| 17 – 18 June             | UNFCCC     | Ocean and Climate Change Dialogue   |
| 23 June – 25 July        | ISA        | ISA 30th session – Part II (Kingston, Jamaica)  |
| 24 June                  | IOC-UNESCO | 58th Session of the Executive Council of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO (Paris, France)   |
| 10 July (TBC)            | OLA/DOALOS | 5th regular UN-Oceans meeting   |
| 14 – 18 July             | DESA       | High-Level Political Forum 2025 (HLPF) on the theme “ <i>Advancing sustainable, inclusive, science- and evidence-based solutions for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals for leaving no one behind</i> ” (New York) |
| 21 – 25 July             | ISA        | ISA 30th session – Part II – Assembly (Kingston, Jamaica)   |
| 5 – 8 August             | UN-OHRLLS  | Third UN Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries (Awaza, Azerbaijan)  |
| 18 – 29 August           | OLA/DOALOS | BBNJ: second session of the BBNJ Preparatory Commission (New York)  |
| 4 September (TBC)        | OLA/DOALOS | 6th regular UN-Oceans meeting   |
| 8 – 12 September         | FAO        | COFI Sub-Committee on Fish Trade (virtual)  |
| 16 October (TBC)         | OLA/DOALOS | 7th regular UN-Oceans meeting   |
| October (TBC)            | FAO        | COFI Sub-Committee on Fisheries Management (Iceland)  |
| 20 to 24 October         | CBD        | 27 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD SBSTTA-27) (Nairobi, Kenya)  |
| 27 to 30 October         | CBD        | First meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j) and Other Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity Related to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (SB8J-1) (Panama City, Panama)  |
| 27 – 31 October          | IMO        | 47th Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention/20th Meeting of Parties to the London Protocol (London, UK)   |
| 10 – 21 November         | UNFCCC     | 30th session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP 30) (Belém, Brazil)   |
| 27 November (TBC)        | OLA/DOALOS | 8th regular UN-Oceans meeting   |
| 24 November – 3 December | IMO        | 34 <sup>th</sup> session of the IMO Assembly  |
| 24 November – 5 December | CITES      | 20 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES COP20) (Samarkand, Uzbekistan)  |
| 8 – 12 December          | UNEP       | 7th session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7) (Nairobi, Kenya)  |