

LDC5, Doha, Qatar

“Leveraging the power of science, technology and innovation in the deep-seabed to build prosperous and resilient LDC economies through the Doha Programme of Action”

DATE AND TIME

Sunday, 5 March 2023
5:15 PM – 6:45 PM [DohaTime]

VENUE

Auditorium 2, Qatar National Convention Centre
Doha, Qatar

draft AGENDA

20 mn	<p>Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Mr. Michael W. Lodge, Secretary-General, ISA <p>Keynote address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Victoire Sidemehou Tomegah-Dogbe, Prime Minister of Togo • Hon. Fekita ‘Utoikamanu. Minister of Foreign Affairs and Tourism, Tonga <p>Doha Programme of Action and Science, Technology and Innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Tishka Francis, Head of SIDS Sub-Programme, UN-OHRLLS
5 mn	<p>ISA Video - LDCs and the Law of the Sea</p>

<p>15 mn</p>	<p>Improved regional and international cooperation</p> <p><i>This panel will look at how improved regional and international cooperation can enhance marine scientific research capacity to leverage fully the benefits offered by the blue economy for LDCs.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E Mrs Vanessa Frazier, Permanent Representative of Malta to ISA and to the UN • H.E. Salman Al Farisi, Secretary-General, Indian Ocean Rim Association • H.E. Albert M. Muchanga, Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Industry, Mining, African Union [TBC]
<p>10 mn</p>	<p>Transfer of technology</p> <p><i>This panel will look at how transfer of technology can create the enabling conditions for LDCs to participate effectively in existing and emerging ocean sectors of the blue economy.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Taffere Tesfachew, Acting Managing Director of the United Nations Technology Bank for the Least developed Countries • Dr Marie Bourrel-McKinnon, Chief of Staff & Head of Strategic Planning Unit, ISA Secretariat
<p>10 mn</p>	<p>Strategic partnerships</p> <p><i>This panel will look at how strategic partnerships can significantly contribute to build and develop the capacities necessary for LDCs to harness the benefits of the blue economy.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Jorun Sigrid Nossun, Assistant Director, Section of Oceans, Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation • H.E. Mr. Henry Puna, Secretary-General, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat
<p>10 mn</p>	<p>Interactive discussions</p>
<p>10 mn</p>	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Mr. Abshir Omar Jama, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Internationale Cooperation, Somalia • H.E. Mr. Michael W. Lodge, Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority