



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

26 May 2017

Excellency,

I write to you in relation to the partnership dialogues of The Ocean Conference, to be held from 5-9 June 2017.

As indicated in the Guidance Note attached to my letter dated 6 April 2017, States participating in the Conference were invited to inform the Secretariat by 19 May 2017 of the two partnership dialogues in which they wished to have a speaking slot, indicating their order of preference.

I am pleased to circulate herewith the provisional lists of participants in the interactive debate of each of the seven partnership dialogues. Based on the expressions of interest received, it will be possible to accommodate the first preference indicated by all States. Efforts will be made to accommodate delegations wishing to speak in a partnership dialogue which they have indicated as their second preference as well as those who did not register by 19 May, time permitting.

Please note that the enclosed lists are for planning purposes only. As indicated in the Guidance Note, interventions will be interspersed between States, intergovernmental organizations, associate members of regional commissions, United Nation system organizations, and major groups and other stakeholders. The order of speakers for each partnership dialogue will be determined in consultation with the Co-chairs, based on the timing of the inscriptions received, the order of preference indicated and equitable geographical distribution, with flexibility for the level of representation.

Delegations are encouraged to inform the Secretariat of any change to the level of participation or if they are no longer able to participate in a particular partnership dialogue.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Thomson'.

Peter Thomson

To all Permanent Representatives
and Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

**UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT GOAL 14: CONSERVE AND SUSTAINABLY USE THE OCEANS, SEAS AND
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**PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 1
ADDRESSING MARINE POLLUTION**

Monday, 5 June 2017: 03:00 pm – 06:00 pm, Conference Room 4

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (speaking slot guaranteed)

- Marshall Islands (HS)
- Micronesia (Federated States of) (HS)
- Belgium (DPM)
- Cyprus (M)
- European Union (M)
- Ireland (M)
- Jamaica (M)
- Maldives (M)
- Netherlands (M)
- Panama (M)
- Romania (M)
- Italy (VM)
- Algeria (CD)
- China (CD)
- Honduras (CD)
- Indonesia (CD)
- Israel (CD)
- Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (CD)
- Turkey (CD)
- United Kingdom (CD)
- Peru (TBD)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- Egypt (M)
- Grenada (M)
- Thailand (M)
- Colombia (CD)
- Norway (CD)
- Saint Kitts and Nevis (CD)

Other participants and observers

- Commission for the Protection of the Marine Environment of the North-East Atlantic
- International Maritime Organization
- United Nations Office for Project Services
- United Nations Environment Programme
- Stiftelsen Stockholm International Water Institute
- The Ocean Cleanup
- World Animal Protection
- Business and Industry Major Group
- Business and Industry Major Group
- Business and Industry Major Group

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**PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 2
MANAGING, PROTECTING, CONSERVING AND RESTORING
MARINE AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS**

Tuesday, 6 June 2017: 10:00 am – 01:00 pm, Conference Room 4

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (speaking slot guaranteed)

- Cook Islands (HG)
- Samoa (HG)
- Brazil (M)
- Egypt (M)
- Grenada (M)
- Monaco (M)
- Sri Lanka (M)
- Sweden (M)
- Timor-Leste (M)
- Tonga (M)
- United Arab Emirates (M)
- Germany (VM)
- Canada (CD)
- Colombia (CD)
- Holy See (CD)
- Nepal (CD)
- Philippines (CD)
- Seychelles (CD)
- France (TBD)
- Togo (TBD)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- Saint Lucia (HS)
- Gabon (M)
- Ireland (M)
- Kiribati (M)
- Romania (M)
- Greece (CD)
- Israel (CD)
- Portugal (M)

Other participants and observers

- Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission (Helsinki Commission)
- Pacific Community
- Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme
- French Polynesia
- United Nations Development Programme
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization
- Drammeh Institute, Inc
- Mediterranean Protected Areas Network
- Ocean Sanctuary Alliance
- PEMSEA - Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia
- Union Nationale des Travailleurs Démocrates
- World Wide Fund for Nature International

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**PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 3
MINIMIZING AND ADDRESSING OCEAN ACIDIFICATION**

**Tuesday, 6 June 2017: 03:00 pm – 06:00 pm
Conference Room 4**

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (speaking slot guaranteed)

- Palau (HS)
- Tuvalu (HG)
- Iceland (M)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- New Zealand (M)
- Vanuatu (M)
- Finland (CD)
- United States (CD)
- France (TBD)

Other participants and observers

- European Investment Bank
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources
- International Organization for Migration
- Business and Industry Major Group
- Centre Scientifique de Monaco
- Other Stakeholders Major Group
- Peace Boat
- The Ocean Foundation
- Zero Vision Tool

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**PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 4
MAKING FISHERIES SUSTAINABLE**

Wednesday, 7 June 2017: 10:00 am – 01:00 pm, Conference Room 4

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (speaking slot guaranteed)

- Chile (M)
- Gabon (M)
- Somalia (M)
- Thailand (M)
- Vanuatu (M)
- Republic of Korea (VM)
- Spain (VM level)
- Norway (CD)
- Saint Kitts and Nevis (CD)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- Marshall Islands (HS)
- Micronesia (Federated States of) (HS)
- Tuvalu (HG)
- Iceland (M)
- Jamaica (M)
- Maldives (M)
- Peru (M)
- Solomon Islands (M)
- Sweden (M)
- Algeria (CD)
- Indonesia (CD)
- Panama (CD)
- Papua New Guinea (CD)
- Philippines (CD)

Other participants and observers

- International Council for the Exploration of the Sea
- International Criminal Police Organization
- Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency
- Economic Commission for Europe
- International Labour Organization
- Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
- United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- World Bank
- Business and Industry Major Group
- Business and Industry Major Group
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- Comunidad y Biodiversidad A.C.
- Friends of Marine Life
- Marine Stewardship Council
- Naturskyddsforeningen (The Swedish Society For nature Conservation)

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**PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 5
INCREASING ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO SMALL ISLANDS DEVELOPING STATES
AND LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND PROVIDING ACCESS FOR SMALL-
SCALE ARTISANAL FISHERS TO MARINE RESOURCES AND MARKETS**

Wednesday, 7 June 2017: 03:00 pm – 06:00 pm
Conference Room 4

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (speaking slot guaranteed)

- Nauru (HS)
- Saint Lucia(HS)
- Australia (M)
- Denmark (M)
- Kiribati (M)
- Madagascar (M)
- New Zealand (M)
- Solomon Islands (M)
- India (CD)
- Papua New Guinea(CD)
- Trinidad and Tobago (CD)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- Palau (HS)
- Samoa (HG)
- Chile (M)
- Timor-Leste (M)
- Italy (VM)
- Republic of Korea (VM)
- Holy See (CD)
- Netherlands (CD)
- Seychelles (CD)

Other participants and observers

- Commonwealth Secretariat
- International Renewable Energy Agency
- Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
- French Polynesia
- Association Consortium pour les Aires et Territoires du Patrimoine Autochtone et Communautaire
- Conservation International Foundation
- CORDIO East African
- Rare
- The Nature Conservancy

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**PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 6
INCREASING SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE, AND DEVELOPING RESEARCH
CAPACITY AND TRANSFER OF MARINE TECHNOLOGY**

Thursday, 8 June 2017: 03:00 pm – 06:00 pm
Conference Room 4

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (speaking slot guaranteed)

- Finland (M)
- Portugal (M)
- United States (CD)
- Bangladesh (TBD)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- Fiji (M)
- Somalia (M)
- Brazil (VM)
- Canada (CD)
- China (CD)
- Monaco (CD)
- Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (CD)
- United Kingdom (CD)

Other participants and observers

- Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research
- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- United Nations University
- World Meteorological Organization
- Business and Industry Major Group
- China Energy Fund Committee
- Deep Ocean Stewardship Initiative
- Living Islands Non-Profit
- Parley for the Oceans
- University Malaysia Terengganu
- World Ocean Council

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PARTNERSHIP DIALOGUE 7

ENHANCING THE CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF OCEANS AND
THEIR RESOURCES BY IMPLEMENTING INTERNATIONAL LAW AS REFLECTED
IN THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA

Friday, 9 June 2017: 10:00 am – 01:00 pm
Conference Room 4

REGISTERED LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

States

First preference (possible speaking slot)

- Fiji (M)
- Greece (CD)

Second preference (possible speaking slot)

- European Union (M)
- Timor-Leste (M)
- Tonga (M)
- Germany (CD)
- Honduras (CD)
- India (CD)
- Madagascar (CD)
- Nepal (CD)
- Trinidad and Tobago (CD)
- Togo (TBD)

Other participants and observers

- Ship and Ocean Foundation
- Observatorio Pro Arrecifes
- Wildlife Conservation Society