

Workshop to Assist the Second Cycle of the Regular Process

Accra, 3 – 4 December 2018

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Welcome and opening remarks by representatives of the Government of the Republic of Ghana, the secretariat for the Regular Process (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea), and the [Chair/Co-Chairs] of the Workshop.
2. Adoption of agenda for the Workshop.
3. Presentation by one of the Joint Coordinators of the Group of Experts of the Regular Process of the Outline for the second world ocean assessment and the Timetable and Implementation Plan, and discussion of general issues related to them.
4. Review of the outcome of the Workshop for the South Atlantic (between the African and American coasts) and the Wider Caribbean, held in Camboriú, Brazil, in November 2017:
 - (a) Introduction by the [Chair/Co-Chairs] of the Workshop;
 - (b) Consideration of regional information sources identified in that Workshop and progress in making them available for the second world ocean assessment;
 - (c) Consideration of further information sources that might be made available;
 - (d) Discussion of other aspects of the report of the outcome of the Workshop.
5. Presentation by one of the Joint Coordinators of the intended structure of the various chapters (and sections of chapters) of the second world ocean assessment, namely:
 - (a) A one-paragraph abstract of the chapter or section;
 - (b) A very short summary of the situation recorded in the First Global Integrated Marine Assessment (World Ocean Assessment I);
 - (c) A description of environmental changes between 2010 and 2020;
 - (d) A description of the economic and social consequences and/or of the other economic or social changes (including, where appropriate, changes in global distribution of benefits and disbenefits and issues relating to concepts of natural capital);
 - (e) A description of the main information gaps in relation to the subject matter;
 - (f) A description of the main capacity-building gaps in the field.
6. Consideration, in the light of this structure, of selected chapters and sections of chapters of the Outline for the second world ocean assessment, including possible chapter frameworks. These discussions may take place in parallel groups and should review the substance of the following chapters and related capacity-building needs:
 - I. Break-out groups on:
 - (a) Chapter 3: Scientific understanding of the ocean (discussion led by Renison Ruwa)
 - (b) Chapter 10: Changes in inputs to the marine environment of nutrients (discussion led by Juying Wang)
 - (c) Chapter 13: Changes in erosion and sedimentation (discussion led by Ca Thanh Vu)
 - (d) Chapter 24: Developments in tourism and recreation activities (discussion led by Alan Simcock)
 - (e) Chapter 31: Developments in the understanding of overall benefits from the ocean to humans (discussion led by Essam Mohammed).
 - II. Presentations to the plenary by a representative of each of the break-out groups.

7. Presentation on important issues in other chapters that members of the Group of Experts present wish to emphasize and discussion of issues on other chapters that the members of the Workshop wish to raise.
8. Consideration of what learning points/needs and resources may be relevant to the inventory of capacity-building opportunities relevant for the Regular Process being compiled and maintained by the secretariat, and to the multi-stakeholder dialogue (case studies of good practices) and capacity-building partnership event, to be held in early 2019.
9. Overview of the outcome of the Workshop presented by the [Chair/Co-Chairs] and the Joint Coordinators.
10. Closure of the Workshop.