

Workshop to Assist the Second Cycle of the Regular Process

Doha, 28-29 November 2018

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Welcome and opening remarks by representatives of the Government of the State of Qatar, 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 Workshops for the Indian Ocean, the Arabian Sea, the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden and the ROPME/RECOFI area, held in Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania, in December 2017, and in Bali, Indonesia, in November 2018:
 - (a) Introduction by one of the Co-Chairs for each Workshop;
 - (b) Consideration of regional information sources identified in those Workshops 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 those Workshops.
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) Parts of Chapter 7: Trends in the state of biodiversity of marine habitats (discussion led by Hilconida Calumpong)
 - Sub-Chapter 7A: Sand and mud substrates (soft bottom)
 - Sub-Chapter 7B: Rocky substrates and reefs
 - Sub-Chapter 7C: Intertidal zone
 - Sub-Chapter 7D: Atoll and island lagoons
 - Sub-Chapter 7G: Estuaries and deltas
 - Sub-Chapter 7K: Salt marshes

- Sub-Chapter 7L: Submarine canyons
 - Sub-Chapter 7M: High-latitude ice
 - Sub-Chapter 7N: Seamounts and pinnacles
 - Sub-Chapter 7O: Abyssal plains
 - Sub-Chapter 7P: Open ocean
 - Sub-Chapter 7Q: Ridges, plateaus and trenches
 - Sub-Chapter 7R: Hydrothermal vents and cold seeps
- (b) Chapter 19: Changes in seabed mining (discussion led by Joshua Tuhumwire)
- (c) Chapter 20: Changes in hydrocarbon exploration and extraction (discussion led by Joshua Tuhumwire)
- (d) Chapter 31: Developments in the understanding of the 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.