2020 United Nations Ocean Conference

2nd Co-Facilitators Online Briefing with Stakeholders: Zero Draft of the Conference Declaration

17 March
10:00 – 11:30AM (DST, New York)¹

Draft Concept Note, Agenda and Call in Details

As of 16 March 2020

Background

Convened under the auspices of the United Nations and co-hosted by the Governments of Kenya and Portugal, the “2020 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development” will be held from 2-6 June 2020 in Lisbon, Portugal. The overarching theme of the 2020 UN Ocean Conference is “Scaling up ocean action based on science and innovation for the implementation of Goal 14: stocktaking, partnerships and solutions”².

The Permanent Representatives of Denmark and Palau have been appointed as co-facilitators to oversee the preparatory process and intergovernmental consultations for the 2020 UN Conference declaration. The declaration shall be brief, concise, action-oriented and intergovernmentally agreed and focus on, and highlight, the science-based and innovative areas of action to support the implementation of Goal 14. The zero draft of the declaration has been shared with Member States and intergovernmental negotiations are scheduled for 18 March 2020.

The 2020 UN Ocean Conference will involve all relevant stakeholders, bringing together Governments, the United Nations system, intergovernmental organizations, international financial institutions, other interested international bodies, non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private sector, philanthropic organizations and other actors to assess challenges and opportunities relating to, as well as actions taken towards, the implementation of SDG 14.

First Online Briefing – 31 January 2020

The first online briefing was an opportunity for the co-facilitators of the intergovernmental process to share information with stakeholders about the preparatory process for the 2020

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¹ Please, check changes in time zones as NY will be on daylight saving time as of 9 March 2020.
² According to A/RES/73/292
UN Ocean Conference, including opportunities to contribute to preparations and outcomes of the Conference.

SECOND ONLINE BRIEFING – 17 MARCH 2020

The objective of the second online briefing is for the Co-Facilitators to present the main elements of the zero draft of the declaration for the 2020 UN Ocean Conference as well as for stakeholders from all sectors to contribute inputs and suggestions prior to the intergovernmental negotiations (to be held on 18 March 2020).

The online briefing is open to all. Stakeholders interested in providing inputs should indicate it on the registration form. Considering the limited amount of time, preference will be given to interventions made on behalf of organized groups and constituencies.

When: 17 March 2020, 10:00 – 11:30 AM (DST, New York Time)

HOW TO PARTICIPATE


The online briefing will be accessible to all. Please, join the online briefing through the call-in details below.

DRAFT AGENDA

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<td>Moderator: Naiara Costa, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Outreach and Partnerships Branch (OPB), Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG), Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA).</td>
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<td>Ambassadors Martin Bille Hermann, Permanent Representatives of Denmark and Ngedikes Olai Uludong, Permanent Representative of Palau – co-facilitators of the preparatory process.</td>
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| 10:20 – 10:50 | Open interaction with stakeholders on the zero draft of the 2020 UN Ocean Conference declaration  
UN DESA/DSDG to moderate  
A list of stakeholders interested in providing concrete inputs to the zero draft of the 2020 UN Ocean Conference declaration will be compiled by UN DESA/DSDG prior to the webinar. Stakeholders will also be able to participate via the chat box. |
| 10:50 – 11:00 | 2020 UN Ocean Conference – Registration and other relevant information |
| 11:00 – 11:20 | Questions and Answers  
UN DESA/DSDG to moderate |
| 11:20 – 11:30 | Closing remarks |

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