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MANAGING THE OCEANS: STRENGTHENING CAPACITY FOR OCEAN GOVERNANCE

Virtual Side Event to the 2022 UN Ocean Conference

June 29, 2022

1:00pm-2:30pm Lisbon Time (UTC+1)

Virtual Webinar
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ABOUT THE EVENT

This side event will highlight the efforts of partner international organizations, financial institutions, and academia undertaken individually and jointly to strengthen ocean governance through capacity building. It will showcase the various courses and capacity building programs offered by the side event organizers in relation to the law of the sea and the blue economy.

In addition to the training programs delivered by each partner organization individually, the event will feature the jointly organized Ocean Governance Capacity Building Training Program, financed by PROBLUE and convened by the World Bank's Environmental and International Law Practice Group in collaboration with the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of the Legal Affairs of the United Nations (DOALOS), the International Seabed Authority (ISA), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the Melbourne Law School (MLS), and the Center for Maritime and Oceanic Law at the University of Nantes (CDMO).

Attendees will learn about the contents, target audience, registration, and reflections from alumni of the Training Program. The side event will also include a moderated discussion about the role of capacity building in promoting sustainable ocean management and the blue economy.

ILLUSTRATIVE CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

For more information about the Ocean Governance Capacity Building Program, click [here](#).

The Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations, administers a wide ranging capacity-building portfolio which includes fellowships, trainings, technical cooperation projects, trust funds and more. Further information can be found [here](#).

For more information about the International Seabed Authority Capacity Building Programs, click [here](#).

PANELISTS



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Remi Moncel is Senior Counsel in the Environmental and International Law Practice Group of the World Bank. He advises World Bank colleagues and member countries on international and natural resources law and policy, including ocean- and blue economy-related issues.



Francois Bailet, DAOLOS

Francois Bailet is a Senior Legal Officer at the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs Unit of the United Nations where he oversees the Capacity-Building and Trust Funds Unit of DOALOS, coordinates the Maritime Security Cluster as well as the marking of World Oceans Day by the United Nations System. He also works with developing States on building sustainable ocean-based economies within their ocean governance frameworks.



Blaise Kuemlangan, FAO

Blaise Kuemlangan is Chief of the Development Law Service of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). He leads his team of legal specialists to deliver FAO's assistance work in food and agriculture law. Specialising in the Law of the Sea and fisheries law, he supports countries to enhance legislation on fisheries management, monitoring, control, surveillance and enforcement.



Talatu Akindolire, ISA

Talatu Akindolire is a Legal Officer at the Office of Legal Affairs in the International Seabed Authority, Kingston, Jamaica. She is a qualified lawyer with over 14 years of legal experience. Prior to joining the Authority in 2018, she worked at the Federal Ministry of Justice, Nigeria as a principal legal officer within the International and Comparative Law department, under the international trade, ocean, and maritime law divisions.



Margaret Young, MLS

Margaret Young is a Professor at Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne, and Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law. Her award-winning research spans the law of the sea, international trade law, climate change, and environmental law. She has a special interest in how these regimes of international law are coordinated, both practically and theoretically.



Martin Ndende, CDMO

Martin Ndende is Professor of Law and Director of the Maritime and Oceanic Law Centre (CDMO) at the University of Nantes in France. An internationally recognized expert with 30 years of experience, Professor Ndende specializes in commercial law, the law of the sea, and maritime transport.



Moderated by **Christina Leb**, World Bank

Christina Leb works as Senior Counsel at the Environment and International Law Practice Group of the World Bank where she advises on public international law and environmental law with a focus on ocean and freshwater governance.