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CLOSING THE CIRCLE PROGRAMME: MARINE DEBRIS, SARGASSUM AND MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING

THURSDAY 17 November 2021, 15:00 to 16:00 PM CET
World Maritime University (via Zoom)

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WEBINAR SPEAKERS



Christopher Corbin

Programme Officer, Ecosystems Division at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Caribbean Environment Programme (CEP)



Ileana Catalina Lopez

Programme Officer, Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (SPAW) sub-programme at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Regional Seas for the Caribbean

PRESENTATION TITLE: *(Tentative)*

Integrated approaches to management of Marine Litter and the Sargassum influx in the Wider Caribbean Region



Speakers Biographies

Christopher Corbin

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Christopher Corbin is a Programme Officer with the Ecosystems Division of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). He is based at the Secretariat for the Cartagena Convention in Kingston, Jamaica, which covers all the countries of the Wider Caribbean Region. Chris is responsible for the Secretariat's Marine Pollution and Communications Sub-Programmes. Chris, a Saint Lucian national, has over 30 years of programme and project management experience. He has been involved in the development and implementation of multi- country projects on wastewater management, solid waste management and integrated coastal zone and watershed management. He coordinated the development of the Regional Marine Litter Action Plan and Regional Marine Litter Strategies for the Wider Caribbean Region and the development of the region's first "State of Convention Area Report on Marine Pollution in the Region".

Ileana Catalina Lopez

Programme Officer, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
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Ileana Catalina Lopez is Programme Officer responsible for the Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (SPA) sub-programme at the United Nations Environment Programme Regional Seas for the Caribbean, Cartagena Convention in the Kingston duty station in Jamaica since April 2018. In this role she is responsible for the overall coordination, implementation and further development of the SPA Protocol and its regional programme on biodiversity management. Over the last seven years she supported UN Environment as Programme Officer at the Multilateral Environmental Agreements Unit, Law Division in Nairobi, Kenya addressing biodiversity issues at the global, regional and national level. She was the focal point for the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development. Ms. Lopez is Guatemalan with 30+ years of experience working with academia, research institutions, government, NGOs and the private sector with multiple stakeholders in Guatemala, Mexico, USA, Kenya and Jamaica. Additionally, has implemented projects at Global, Regional and national levels.

