



INTERSESSIONAL WORKSHOP OF THE SUSTAINABLE OCEAN INITIATIVE (SOI) GLOBAL DIALOGUE WITH REGIONAL SEAS ORGANIZATIONS AND REGIONAL FISHERY BODIES

7-8 June 2025, Théoule-sur-Mer, France

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Saturday, 7 June

Time	Meeting Programme
Plenary Session	
Co-chairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Chris Corbin, Coordinator, Cartagena Convention SecretariatStefan Ásmundsson, Government of Iceland/former Executive Secretary, North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission	
9:30 – 10 a.m.	Agenda Item 1. Opening of the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mayor of Théoule-sur-MerSecretariat of the Convention on Biological DiversityFrench Biodiversity AgencyMinistry of Oceans and Fisheries of the Republic of KoreaFood and Agriculture Organization of the UNUN Environment Programme
10:00a.m. – 10:20a.m.	Agenda item 2. Meeting background, objectives, and expected outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none">Joe Appiott (CBD Secretariat) (10 min)In-session Slido poll on participants' expectations
10:20a.m. – 12:00p.m.	Agenda item 3. Updates from various regions on cross-sectoral regional cooperation and coordination activities undertaken since the 4th meeting of the SOI Global Dialogue <ul style="list-style-type: none">Presentations by RSOs and RFBs organized by region (10 min each)<ul style="list-style-type: none">Group 1: North and Western Indian Ocean - Nairobi Convention-PERSGA-RECOFI-ROPME-SWIOFC-WIOMSA-IOTCGroup 2: North Atlantic and Baltic - ICES-NEAFC-OSPAR-NASCO-HELCOMGroup 3: Mediterranean, Black Sea, and the Caspian Sea - BSC-GFCM-SPA/RAC-MAP-Tehran ConventionGroup 4: Wider Caribbean - Cartagena Convention-PROCARIBE-CRFM-OSPESCA-WECAFC-SSC
Coffee/tea available	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Group 5: Pacific Ocean Basins - CCSBT-CPPS-NOWPAP-PICES-SPC-SPREP-IPHC-WCPFC ○ Group 6: East Atlantic African region - Abidjan Convention - BCC-CECAF-COMHAFAT-FCWC-ICCAT-SRFC ○ Group 7: East, South and Southeast Asia - BOBP-COBSEA-SEAFDEC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q&A / Open discussion
12:00 – 1:15p.m.	Lunch
1:15 – 2:00p.m.	Agenda item 3. Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections on challenges and opportunities • In-session Slido poll to assess the general status of regional cooperation and coordination, key challenges and opportunities • Moderated discussion on means to scale up regional cooperation and coordination
2:00 – 2:45p.m.	Agenda item 4. Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (10 min each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Joe Appiott (CBD Secretariat) • Planning, monitoring and reporting for the KMGBF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jillian Campbell (CBD Secretariat) • In-session Slido poll to assess progress and challenges in KMGBF implementation across regions • Q&A
2:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Coffee break
3:15 – 5:00 p.m.	Agenda item 4. Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderated plenary discussion on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>General progress in KMGBF implementation at national/regional scales (including national/regional targets)</i> ○ <i>Updates on national/regional projects/initiatives to support KMGBF implementation (including any supported through GEF GBF Fund)</i> ○ <i>Updates on monitoring and assessment KMGBF at national/regional scales</i> ○ <i>Key challenges and needs (including capacity gaps)</i>

Sunday, 8 June

Time	Meeting Programme
9:30 – 10:30a.m.	Agenda item 5. Agreement under UNCLOS on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ Agreement) <p>5.1 Status of BBNJ PrepCom discussions and role of regional organizations in supporting PrepCom discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Charlotte Salpin (DOALOS) • Q&A

	5.2 Status of regional engagement with the BBNJ Agreement and key questions emerging from the ratification process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-session poll on the general status of discussions/preparations • Questions emerging in the context of ratification efforts • Moderated plenary discussion on the key emerging questions in regions, challenges and opportunities
10:30 – 11:00a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.	5.2 continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Q&A/Open discussion</i>
12:00 – 1:15 p.m.	<i>Lunch</i>
1:15 – 2:15p.m.	5.3 Cooperation among relevant global, regional, subregional and sectoral bodies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charlotte Salpin (DOALOS) • Moderated plenary discussion
2:15 – 3:15p.m.	Agenda item 6. Issues to be addressed at the fifth meeting of the SOI Global Dialogue with Regional Seas Organizations and Regional Fishery Bodies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction and facilitation by co-chairs • Short presentation by SCBD on issues addressed at previous meetings, and key points expressed at the fourth meeting regarding next steps for the SOI Global Dialogue • Moderated plenary discussion on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Potential issues to be addressed at the fifth meeting ○ Approaches to the organization / modalities of the meeting
3:15 – 3:45p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
3:45 – 4:00p.m.	Agenda item 7. Summary, conclusion and next steps Agenda item 8. Closure of the meeting <i>Concluding remarks by co-chairs</i>