



SETTING THE COURSE FOR A SUSTAINABLE BLUE PLANET

April 20, 2021—14h00 to 17h00 (CET)



AGENDA

Time (CEST)	Session	Speaker
14h00	Welcome	Charlina Vitcheva, Director General, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission
14h05	Accelerating action for ocean sustainability	Virginus Sinkevičius, European Commissioner for Environment, Fisheries and Maritime Affairs
14h15	Unfolding the ocean and climate nexus: the US perspective	John Kerry, U.S. Special Presidential Envoy for Climate (tbc)
14h25	Shaping Zanzibar's blue future	Aboud S. A. Jumbe, Principal Secretary of the Ministry of Blue economy and Fisheries (tbc)
14h35	Reversing marine biodiversity decline: China on the way to CBD COP 15	(tbc)
14h45	Health Break	
15h00	Moving towards a sustainable blue planet –recommendations for future actions	IOG Forum representative (tbc)
15h20	Panel I – Are we steering the right course?	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Sigrid Lüber, Co-Managing Director, Ocean Care (tbc) ▶ Karin Kemper, Global Director for Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy, World Bank (tbc) ▶ Nadia Pinardi, University of Bologna (tbc) ▶ Jakob Granit, Chair, Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) (tbc) 	
	Questions/Answers	
16h00	Panel II – The EU's all crew on deck approach	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Charlina Vitcheva, Director General, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries ▶ Veronica Manfredi, Director Quality of Life, Directorate General for Environment ▶ Koen Doens, Director General, Directorate General for International Partnerships ▶ Jean-Eric Paquet, Director General, Directorate General for Research and Innovation ▶ Matthias Petschke, Director Space, Directorate General for Defence Industry and Space ▶ Magda Kopczynska, Director Waterborne, Directorate General for Mobility and Transport 	
	Questions/Answers	
16h40	Future Ocean Governance –a Vision from Portugal	Ricardo Serrão Santos, Minister of Maritime Affairs, Portugal (tbc)
16h50	Bringing in the foreign policy angle	Kristin de Peyron, Deputy Managing Director, Human Rights, Global and Multilateral Affairs, European External Action Service
17h00	Closing	Charlina Vitcheva, Director General, Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

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