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**Draft Provisional Agenda**

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## ***Provisional Agenda***

### **Day 1**

**Thursday, 3 July 2014**

#### **9.00 Opening of the Meeting**

##### **Welcoming remarks**

- Welcoming remarks
- Background, purpose and expected outcomes of the meeting  
Jackie Alder, Head, Marine and Coastal Ecosystems Branch, UNEP
- Presentation of participants

#### **9.30 Session 1**

##### **Setting the oceans scene**

- Post 2015 Development Agenda  
Jackie Alder, Head, Marine and Coastal Ecosystems Branch, UNEP
- Regional Oceans Governance  
Takehiro Nakamura, Coordinator, Marine Ecosystems Unit, FMEB, UNEP
- EU Marine Directive  
Moren Abat, Freshwater and marine, International, Regional and Bilateral Relations Unit,  
DG Environment, European Commission
- Discussions and sharing of experiences on the engagement of Regional Seas Conventions  
and Action Plans with international development processes

Chair: Nelson Andrade, Executive Secretary, Cartagena Convention

#### **11.00 Coffee break**

#### **11.30 Session 1**

##### **Setting the oceans scene**

- FAO frameworks and the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans  
Gail Lugten, Secretary of the Regional Fishery Body Secretariats' Network, FAO
- UNCLOS and the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans  
Gabriele Goettsche-Wanli, Director, UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea
- IMO Conventions and Protocols and the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans  
Stefan Micallef, Director, Marine Environment Division, IMO
- Discussions and sharing of experiences on the engagement of Regional Seas Conventions  
and Action Plans with international development processes

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#### **13:00 Lunch break**

## **14.30 Session 2**

### **Future Trends**

- Plenary discussions on identification of ocean related future trends, for example:
  - Climate change /ocean acidification
  - Seabed mining
  - ABNJ
  - NBSAPs
  - Accountability
- Break-out groups to discuss:
  - Top 3-4 relevant future trends for the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans
  - What would be the role for the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans?

Chair: Darius Campbell, Executive Secretary, OSPAR Commission

### **16:00 Coffee Break**

## **16.30 Session 2**

### **Future Trends**

- Presentations by break-out groups
- Plenary discussions to consolidate key future trends relevant to the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans and their potential role

Chair: Darius Campbell, Executive Secretary, OSPAR Commission

### **18:00 Closing of Day 1**

## **Day 2**

**Tuesday, 4 July 2014**

### **9.00 Recap day 1**

### **Session 3**

#### **Roadmap vs. Strategic Directions**

- How to operationalize a visioning roadmap towards the future of the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans
- How can/should the Regional Seas Strategic Directions become embedded in the visioning roadmap?
- Drafting of roadmap and identification of milestones

Chair: Gaetano Leone, Coordinator, Barcelona Convention

### **11.00 Coffee break**

#### **11.30 Session 4**

##### **Visioning roadmap**

- Drafting of roadmap and identification of milestones

Chair: Gaetano Leone, Coordinator, Barcelona Convention

#### **13:00 Lunch break**

#### **14.30 Session 5**

##### **Ensuring implementation of visioning roadmap**

- Discussions on strategic partnerships needed to implement the roadmap
- What type of mandates are need from member states into Regional Seas intergovernmental bodies
- Funding requirements and resource mobilisation
- How to measure progress?

Chair: Yannick Beaudoin, Head, Marine Division, GRID-Arendal

#### **16:00 Coffee Break**

#### **16.30 Session 6**

##### **Next steps**

- How to internalize the visioning roadmap by member states
- Clear messaging and engagement of inter-governmental bodies (COP / IGM)

Chair: Gabriele Goettsche-Wanli, Director, UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

#### **17.00 Closing of Day 2**