



**GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON OCEANS, COASTS, AND ISLANDS:  
MOBILIZING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMITMENTS MADE AT THE  
2002 WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT  
November 12-14, 2003, UNESCO, Paris**

**DESCRIPTION AND DRAFT PROGRAM (JULY 18, 2003)**

## Background

The World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD), which took place in Johannesburg, South Africa from August 26 to September 4, 2002, brought together 21,340 participants from 191 governments, intergovernmental organizations, nongovernmental organizations, industry, and academia, including many heads of state and other high level officials.

Oceans, coasts, and islands were not initially on the WSSD agenda, which emphasized issues concerning water and sanitation, energy, health, agriculture, and biodiversity. However, thanks to the mobilization of interested governments, nongovernmental organizations, and UN agencies early in the WSSD preparatory process, advances in oceans, coasts, and islands represent one of the most important outcomes of the World Summit.

Government delegates negotiated and agreed on an action plan for oceans, coasts, and islands, with quite specific targets and timetables for action—see summary in Table 1. Major examples include applying the ecosystem approach to marine areas by 2010 and establishing networks of marine protected areas by 2012. Important targets were also established on issues related to small island developing states (e.g., developing community-based initiatives in sustainable tourism by 2004); on fisheries issues (e.g., managing fishery capacity by 2005 and controlling illegal fishing by 2004), and in other ocean-related areas as well. The targets and timetables found in the WSSD Plan of Implementation represent an important advance because they have enshrined, as global imperatives by the world's political leaders, many of the goals previously posited by expert groups and specialized agencies. There is now a global consensus reached at the highest political levels that there is an urgent need to take specific action to achieve sustainable development of oceans, coasts, and of small island developing States.

**Table 1. Major Targets and Timetables Adopted at the World Summit on Sustainable Development on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands**

*Integrated ocean and coastal management*

- Encourage the application of the ecosystem approach by 2010 for the sustainable development of the oceans, particularly in the management of fisheries and the conservation of biodiversity
- Establish an effective, transparent and regular inter-agency coordination mechanism on ocean and coastal issues within the United Nations system
- Promote integrated coastal and ocean management at the national level and encourage and assist countries in developing ocean policies and mechanisms on integrated coastal management
- Assist developing countries in coordinating policies and programs at the regional and subregional levels aimed at conservation and sustainable management of fishery resources and implement integrated coastal area management plans, including through the development of infrastructure

*Fisheries*

- Implement the FAO International Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing by 2004
- Implement the FAO International Plan of Action for the Management of Fishing Capacity by 2005
- Maintain or restore depleted fish stocks to levels that can produce their maximum sustainable yield on an urgent basis and where possible no later than 2015
- Eliminate subsidies that contribute to illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and to overcapacity

*Conservation of biodiversity*

- Develop and facilitate the use of diverse approaches and tools, including the ecosystem approach, the elimination of destructive fishing practices, the establishment of marine protected areas consistent with international law and based on scientific information, including representative networks by 2012

*Protection from marine pollution*

- Advance implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities in the period 2002-2006 with a view to achieve substantial progress by 2006

*Science and observation*

- Establish a regular process under the United Nations for global reporting and assessment of the state of the marine environment, including socioeconomic aspects, by 2004

*Small Island Developing States*

- Develop community-based initiatives on sustainable tourism in small island developing States by 2004

Table 1. Continued

- Reduce, prevent, and control waste and pollution and their health-related impacts in Small island developing States by 2004 through the implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities
- Support the availability of adequate, affordable and environmentally sound energy services for the sustainable development of small island developing States, including through strengthening efforts on energy supply and services by 2004.
- Undertake a comprehensive review of the implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States in 2004

The WSSD targets and timetables, however, are not “self-implementing.” Instead, governments around the world will need much assistance and support from all parts of the oceans, coasts, and islands community—to operationalize what needs to be done, to mobilize the requisite knowledge and financial resources, and to maintain the high-level political support essential to achieve the sorely needed “on-the-ground” improvements in the health and condition of marine ecosystems and in the well-being of coastal communities.

## Purposes of the Global Conference

The major purposes of the Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands are to review what has been done to date in implementing the WSSD commitments, and to catalyze action on WSSD implementation through collaboration among governments, international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector. The conference focuses, as well, on approaches to mobilizing public and private sector support for the global oceans agenda, and on the identification of emerging ocean issues.

More specifically, the Conference aims to:

1) Focus on useful strategies for and experiences in implementing the commitments made at the World Summit on Sustainable Development at global, regional, and national levels, through discussions among experts from governments, international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector. For each of the major areas of oceans, coasts, and islands where WSSD targets have been set, the conference will:

- a) Invite reports by governments, nongovernmental organizations and intergovernmental organizations on progress and challenges in implementation of the WSSD Plan of Implementation;

b) Discuss the contribution of partnership initiatives, including the identification of gaps in knowledge/resources/political will needed for implementation of the WSSD targets;

c) Analyze, in particular, the needs of Small Island Developing States (SIDS), especially in relation to the forthcoming global review of progress achieved in SIDS countries since the 1994 Barbados Programme of Action, to be held in Mauritius in August 2004.

2) To discuss emerging issues on oceans, coasts, and islands that are not yet being addressed.

3) To develop strategies for mobilizing private sector involvement and increased public awareness on oceans, coasts, and islands, to insure continued support for the global oceans agenda.

The Global Conference is organized by the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands, comprised of individuals from governments, intergovernmental and international organizations (IOs), and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), with the common goals of advancing the interest of *oceans*—incorporating 72% of the Earth; *coasts*—the home of 50% of the world’s population, and *islands*—43 of the world’s nations are small island developing states, which are especially dependent on the oceans. The Forum was created following the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg in September 2002 by the WSSD Informal Coordinating Group on Oceans, Coasts and Islands.

## Conference Structure

The Conference will run over a three day period (Wednesday, November 12 through Friday, November 14, 2003) with opportunities for informal group meetings, workshops, and side events on November 10 and 11, 2003.

Most of the conference is organized as plenary sessions with the exception of the afternoon of November 13 when there will be concurrent discussion group sessions.

Participants from governments, NGOs, IOs, and the private sector are invited to provide written informal reports on progress and challenges faced in activities related to WSSD implementation. These reports should be sent to the conference organizers ([johnston@udel.edu](mailto:johnston@udel.edu)) no later than **October 1, 2003**.

Lead paper presenters and roundtable discussants are invited to address the following aspects of WSSD implementation (Summaries of lead papers and of roundtable participants' perspectives are also invited by **October 1, 2003 (please see instructions on the conference website [www.globaloceans.org](http://www.globaloceans.org))**):

- Commentary and analysis of the WSSD targets and timetables
- Analysis of possible strategies for achieving the objectives of the WSSD Plan of Implementation
- Initial progress in implementation and progress in partnership initiatives
- Problems and obstacles faced
- Identification of gaps in targets and partnership initiatives; and
- Capacity building and political mobilization issues.

More specifically, lead papers and roundtable participants are asked to address the following:

- Operationalizing the WSSD commitment/target. What will the commitment/target take in terms of knowledge resources, financial resources, and political will? If accomplished, what would the result be “on the ground”? (for example., what would “representative networks of marine protected areas” look like?)
- What will it take to implement the commitment/target? i.e., what is the path to implementation? e.g., National-level action? International action? Subnational action? Action by private sector?
- What is the role of international agencies/NGOs/ Governments in assisting/catalyzing implementation?
- To what extent is the specific target already on the agenda of various groups, and how might these efforts be synergized?
- Is it best to approach the issue/target regionally? In what regions? Through pilot or demonstration projects? What about issues of scaling up?
- Which group/countries/agencies have the knowledge resources needed for achieving this target? Which have the financial resources?
- Which groups/countries/agencies might be/are taking leading roles? How to further encourage/catalyze this?

- Are the financial resources already pledged for the WSSD commitments/targets, including in the Type II initiatives, adequate to mobilize implementation of the target?

## Conference Outputs

The following conference outputs are planned:

1. ***Co-Chairs report of the Conference***, containing:
  - 1) perspectives on WSSD implementation— progress achieved so far, initiatives in progress, obstacles faced, promising strategies for achieving action in the medium term, and 2) summaries of the papers and commentaries presented at the conference.
2. ***A volume on Ministerial Perspectives on the Oceans, Coasts, and Islands Outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development***, incorporating the presentations of the high-level participants.
3. ***Several special issues*** of the international journal *Ocean & Coastal Management*.

## Posters and Exhibits

Participants will have space to exhibit posters and distribute documentation in the conference area. Please contact Julian Barbieri, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (Email: [j.barbieri@unesco.org](mailto:j.barbieri@unesco.org); Tel.: 33-1-45-68-40-45; Fax: 33-1-45-68-58-12) at the earliest convenience.

## Pre-Conference Events, Meetings, and Workshops

Participants are invited to organize side events and meetings on Monday and Tuesday, November 10 and 11, 2003. Please note that a number of such events are already scheduled and that space is limited. Please contact Julian Barbieri, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (Email: [j.barbieri@unesco.org](mailto:j.barbieri@unesco.org); Tel.: 33-1-45-68-40-45; Fax: 33-1-45-68-58-12) at the earliest convenience.

## Conference Venue

The Conference will be held at UNESCO headquarters in Paris, France, with the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission serving as host.

## Conference at a Glance

*Monday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 11, 2003*

### Pre-conference meetings:

WSSD voluntary partnerships  
 Industry Roundtable  
 Small Island Developing States (SIDS)  
 National Ocean Policies Workshop  
 Moving Forward on Integrated Coastal Management  
 Public Information, Education, and Awareness  
 Coastal Management and Cultural Heritage

*Wednesday, November 12*

Conference Opening  
 Ministerial Perspectives on WSSD Implementation  
 Implementation at the Regional Level  
 Award Ceremony  
 Small Island Developing State, WSSD Targets, and Mauritius 2004  
 Special Address on 20 Years of Law of the Sea  
 Reception

*November 13*

NGO and Foundation Perspectives on WSSD  
 Meeting the WSSD Objectives on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands  
 Cross-sectoral aspects  
 Fisheries  
 WSSD Targets for SIDS  
 Biodiversity and Marine Protected Areas  
 Protection from Marine Pollution  
 Enhanced Coherence of United Nations  
 Group Discussions on Achieving WSSD Targets (five groups)  
 Reception

*November 14*

Private Sector Perspectives  
 Retargeting Donor Aid  
 Toward a Global Oceans Fund  
 Public Support for Oceans, Coasts, and Islands  
 Emerging Issues  
 Bringing it All Together  
 Concluding Remarks and Conference Closing  
 Reception

## Hotels

A list of hotels is available on the conference website: <http://www.globaloceans.org>

## Conference Co-chairs

The Conference Co-Chairs are the Co-Chairs of the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands: Dr. Biliiana Cicin-Sain, Director, Center for the Study of Marine Policy, University of Delaware; Dr. Patricio Bernal, Secretary, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO; and Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd, Director, UNEP/GPA, The Hague.

## Conference Registration: Forms and Fees

The conference registration form may be found at the end of this program and on the conference website ([www.globaloceans.org](http://www.globaloceans.org)). Please fill out the conference registration form and enclose a check for the registration fee and mail or fax to Catherine Johnston, Center for the Study of Marine Policy, [johnston@udel.edu](mailto:johnston@udel.edu), fax: 1-302-831-3668 (telephone: 1-302-831-8086). The conference registration fees are as follows:

<b>Payment by September 15, 2003</b>	<b>US \$250.00</b>
<b>Payment from September 16, 2003 to November 6, 2003</b>	<b>US \$350.00</b>
<b>Payment at the Conference</b>	<b>US \$400.00</b>

## For Further Information

For information regarding the conference program, please contact Stefano Belfiore and Catherine Johnston, Center for the Study of Marine Policy, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware 19716 USA, telephone: 1-302-831-8086; fax: 1-302-831-3668; email: [sbelf@udel.edu](mailto:sbelf@udel.edu), [johnston@udel.edu](mailto:johnston@udel.edu). For details about local facilities at UNESCO, exhibits, side events, etc., please contact Julian Barbieri, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (Email: [j.barbieri@unesco.org](mailto:j.barbieri@unesco.org); Tel.: 33-1-45-68-40-45; Fax: 33-1-45-68-58-12).

## DRAFT PROGRAM

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE: SPEAKERS ARE INVITED, AND ARE TO BE CONFIRMED.**

**PRE-CONFERENCE MEETINGS—  
NOVEMBER 10 AND 11, 2003  
November 10, 2003**

- Meetings of the WSSD Voluntary Partnerships, Chair: *Tom Laughlin*, NOAA
- Roundtable/informal meeting with industry representatives
- Meetings of SIDS countries related to the Mauritius 2004 Assessment
- Film showing—*Dinesh Lakhanpal*, India, Film on Biodiversity Conservation
- Workshop on National Ocean Policies: Charting New Directions, Co-Chairs: *Biliana Cicin-Sain*, University of Delaware, and *Dan MacDougall*, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada
- Workshop on Coral Reef Management issues, *Kristian Teleki*, International Coral Reef Action Network, and *Gregor Hodgson*, Reef Check

**November 11, 2003**

- Group on Capturing Lessons Learned and Moving to the Next Phase in Integrated Coastal Management, Co-Chairs, *Chua Thia-Eng*, PEMSEA, and *Steve Olsen*, URI-CRC
- Workshop on Public Information, Education, and Awareness, World Ocean Network (association of museums and aquaria), Chair: *Phillippe Vallette*, NAUSICAA
- Group on Coastal management and Cultural Heritage, *Adalberto Vallega*, University of Genoa
- Event sponsored by the International Ocean Institute, *Iouri Oliounine*, Malta, and *Francois Bailet*,

**DAY 1. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2003**

**Morning Session (8:30 to 13:00)**

Canada

**Opening and Welcoming Addresses**

*Koichiro Matsuura*, Director-General, UNESCO

**Introduction and Conference  
Purposes by Conference Co-Chairs**

*Biliana Cicin-Sain*, Director, Center for the Study of Marine Policy, University of Delaware

*Patricio Bernal*, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

*Veerle Vandeweerd*, Coordinator, UNEP Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities

**SESSION 1. PROBLEMS AND  
OPPORTUNITIES IN THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF WSSD  
COMMITMENTS: MINISTERIAL  
PERSPECTIVES**

*Ministerial-level leaders from major ocean and nations will discuss initiatives being taken nationally and internationally to implement the WSSD commitments, including problems, constraints, and opportunities.*

Chair: *Valli Moosa*, Environment Minister and Chair of CSD 11, South Africa

*David Kemp*, Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Australia

*Ambassador Mohamed Bennouna*, Permanent Representative from Morocco to the United Nations, and Group of 77

*Lark-Jung Choi*, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Korea

*Sue Kirby*, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada

*Victor Lichtinger*, Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, Mexico

*Amilcar Theias*, Minister of City, Territorial Development and Environment, Portugal

*Marina Silva*, Brazilian Environment Minister

*Wang Shuguang*, State Oceanic Administration, China

*Rokhmin Dahuri*, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Indonesia

## SESSION 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF WSSD AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

*Overview of the WSSD implementation process. Status of implementation of WSSD commitments at the regional level, including problems, constraints, and opportunities. New developments at the regional level in ocean and coastal management.*

Chair: *Anne Rogers*, UNDESA

*Anne Rogers*, UNDESA, *Overview of the WSSD Implementation Process*

*Alan Simcock*, OSPAR, *Toward Achieving WSSD Objectives at the Regional Level*

*Lamine Ba*, Minister of the Environment, Senegal, *New Partnership for African Development (NEPAD)*

*Russell Howorth*, SOPAC, *Toward a Regional Ocean Policy for the Pacific*

*Lucien Chabasson* or *Tulio Scovazzi*, *Toward a Regional Protocol on Integrated Coastal Management for the Mediterranean*

*Valdis Bisters*, Latvia, Group Chairman, Senior Officials Group, Baltic 21, and *Marek Maciejowski*, Secretary-General, Baltic 21, *A Regional Strategy for WSSD Implementation in the Baltic*

*Chua Thia-Eng*, PEMSEA, *WSSD Implementation in East Asia*

*Nelson Andrade*, *WSSD Initiatives in the Caribbean*, UNEP Caribbean Environment Programme

*Gunnar Kullenberg*, *Challenges and Potential Solutions for Achieving Synergies at the Regional Level on Ocean and Coastal Governance*

**12:40 PM SPECIAL PRESENTATION. RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF HONORABLE TUILOMA NERONI SLADE, former Chair, Alliance of Small Island Developing States, and Permanent Representative of Samoa to the United Nations; currently, Judge, International Criminal Court, The Hague**

**LUNCH 13:00 to 15:00**

**Afternoon Session, 15:00 to 19:00**

## SESSION 3. SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES: THE ISSUES IN MAURITIUS 2004

*The WSSD addressed the special problems faced by Small Island Developing States (SIDS) in detail and among the SIDS targets and timetables, called for a review of the progress (or lack thereof) of the 1994 Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States ten years later, at an international conference in Mauritius in August 2004. The 43 small island developing States involved in the Alliance for Small Island States (AOSIS) are the stewards of a very large portion of the world's oceans, and are developing innovative strategies for the protection and sustainable use of these areas.*

*(AOSIS has been kindly invited to organize the details of this afternoon)*

*Ambassador Jagdish Koonjul*, Mauritius, Chair of AOSIS

*Ambassador Enele Sopoaga*, Vice-Chair of AOSIS

*Manuel Dengo*, UNDESA

Possible discussants:

*Byron Blake*, CARICOM

*Nirmal Jivan Shah*, Nature Seychelles

*Miguel Fortes*, Philippines (SIDS and the Millennium Assessment)

*Dirk Troost*, Coasts and Small Islands, UNESCO

*Robin Mahon*, Caribbean

**18:30 SPECIAL ADDRESS: ANNICK DE MARFFY, DIRECTOR, UNDOALOS, STATUS AND PROSPECTS OF THE LAW OF THE SEA AT THE 20<sup>TH</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

## 19:00 WELCOME RECEPTION

## DAY 2. NOVEMBER 13, 2003 Morning Session, 8:30 to 13:00

8:30 to 10:00

### SESSION 4. NGO AND FOUNDATION PERSPECTIVES ON WSSD IMPLEMENTATION

*Integral actors in WSSD implementation are the Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs) related to oceans, coasts, and SIDS, and the foundations which often fund this work. In this panel, major NGOs and foundations are invited to report on their initiatives related to WSSD implementation.*

Chair: *Lynne Hale*, The Nature Conservancy

*Simon Cripps*, World Wildlife Fund International

*Russ Mittermeier*, Conservation International

*Ellen Pikitch*, Wildlife Conservation Society

*Dawn Martin*, Oceana

*Hiroshi Terashima*, Ship and Ocean Foundation, Japan

Representatives from various foundations

### 10:15 to 13:00, and 15:00 to 16:00 SESSION 5. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN MEETING THE WSSD SUBSTANTIVE OBJECTIVES ON OCEANS, COASTS, AND SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES

*In this Roundtable, the major substantive targets and timetables on oceans and coasts are reviewed and critical assessments of possible strategies for implementation and next steps are discussed. Topical areas covered include: Cross-sectoral aspects: Integrated coastal and ocean management; Fisheries; Small Island Developing States; Biodiversity protection; Protection from marine pollution; Enhancing UN coherence on oceans and coasts: Toward a global marine assessment, and toward a UN coordination mechanism on oceans. On each substantive topic, one or several discussants will provide commentary.*

Chair: *Patricio Bernal*, IOC

#### Cross-sectoral aspects:

*Biliana Cicin-Sain*, *The Way Forward for Coastal and Ocean Governance*

Discussant: *Ian McPhail*, Australia

*Magnus Ngoile*, Tanzania, *Linking Ocean and Coastal Governance to Poverty Alleviation and to Public Health Improvements*

Discussant: *Jock Campbell*, IMM Ltd, Innovation Centre, University of Exeter

#### Fisheries:

*Serge Garcia*, *The Way Forward in Fisheries*

Discussants:

*Bruce Young*, Moana Pacific Company, New Zealand; Chairman, International Coalition of Fishing Organizations

*Hance Smith*, Cardiff University, UK

*Grant Trebble*, AMCROPS, South Africa

#### Small Island Developing States:

*John Low*, South Pacific Forum, *The WSSD SIDS Targets*

Discussant: *Stefano Belfiore*, on WSSD partnerships relevant to SIDS

#### Biodiversity Protection and Marine Protected Areas:

*Bud Ehler*, IUCN-World Commission on Protected Areas (Marine), and NOAA, *Toward Representative Networks of Marine Protected Areas by 2012*

Discussants:

*Marea Hatziolos*, World Bank

*Callum Roberts*, University of York

**Protection from Marine Pollution**

*Veerle Vandeweerd*, UNEP/GPA and *Magnus Johannesson*, Iceland, *Achieving Substantial Progress in GPA by 2006*.

Discussants:

*Yves Henocque*, Thailand/Europe project, on linking freshwater to oceans

*Koji Sekimizu*, International Maritime Organization, on addressing ballast water issue

**Achieving Enhanced Coherence in the United Nations vis-à-vis Oceans, Coasts, and Islands**

*1) Toward an Effective, Transparent, and Regular Inter-Agency Coordination Mechanism on Ocean and Coastal Issues within the United Nations System*

Representative from the UN Secretary-General

Discussant:

*Sian Pullen*, World Wildlife Fund

*2) Toward a Global Marine Assessment by 2004*

*Louise de La Fayette*, UNDOALOS

Discussants:

*Walter Staveloz*, ECSITE, the European Network of Science Museums, for Eurobamer, and *Bill Mott*, The Ocean Project (on factoring public perspectives in the global marine assessment)

**16:00 to 19:00 GROUP DISCUSSIONS ON EACH OF THE WSSD MAIN TARGETS: 1) CROSS-SECTORAL ASPECTS (COMBINED WITH MARINE POLLUTION); 2) FISHERIES; 3) SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES; 4) BIODIVERSITY AND MARINE PROTECTED AREAS, AND 5) ENHANCED UNITED NATIONS COHERENCE**

**THESE GROUPS WILL MEET SEPARATELY TO DISCUSS EACH MAJOR TARGET. SEVERAL RESOURCE PEOPLE WILL BE NAMED FOR EACH GROUP. EACH GROUP WILL BE ASKED TO REPORT BRIEFLY ON THE AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 14.**

**19:00 RECEPTION**

**DAY 3. NOVEMBER 14, 2003**

**Morning sessions, 8:30 TO 13:00 (3 SESSIONS)**

**8:30 to 10:00**

**SESSION 6. PRIVATE SECTOR PERSPECTIVES ON WSSD IMPLEMENTATION AND ON THE GLOBAL OCEANS AGENDA**

*This session will examine initiatives in implementing the WSSD agenda on the part of business, and industry. The Roundtable will also discuss the perspectives of the private sector regarding cross-sectoral global discussions of issues related to oceans, coasts, and islands.*

Co-Chairs: *Paul Holthus*, Marine Aquarium Council and *Sian Pullen*, WWF

Business Council on Sustainable Development

*Jeffrey Hardy*, President, Centre for the Advancement of Sustainable Development Partnerships

Others

**10:00 to 11:30**

**SESSION 7. RETARGETING DONOR AID TO MEET WSSD GOALS**

*This Roundtable will discuss the current status of funding for oceans, coasts, and small island developing states, and the need for refocusing donor aid to achieve WSSD goals and the further implementation of Agenda 21.*

Co-Chairs: *Kristalina Georgieva*, World Bank, Environment Division, and *Lennox Hinds*, CIDA, Canada

(Participants to be noted later)

**11:30 to 13:00****SESSION 8. TOWARD A GLOBAL OCEANS FUND**

*This Roundtable will examine and assess different options for a global fund for oceans based, in part, on an options paper prepared by the Global Forum. Representatives from other areas, such as the World Water Forum, will be invited to provide perspectives on successes and failures in the establishment of global funds in other areas.*

Chair: **Art Hanson**, Canada

**Indumathie Hewawasam**, World Bank Africa Region, and Steering Committee, Global Forum on Oceans Coasts and Islands, *Options for a Global Oceans Fund: A Possible Initiative of the Global Forum?*

Representatives from other global funds in other areas

**LUNCH, 13:00 14:30****AFTERNOON SESSIONS 14:30 TO 19:00****14:30-16:00****SESSION 9. GENERATING AND MAINTAINING PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR OCEANS, COASTS, AND ISLANDS**

*This session will examine specific ways in which public support for oceans, coasts, and islands may be generated and maintained, especially through the involvement of aquaria and museums, and through the involvement of the media.*

Chair: **Phillippe Vallette**, NAUSICAA

**Lex Fearnhead**, Two Oceans Aquarium, Cape Town, South Africa

**Martin Jones**, Reef Museum, Townsville, Australia

**Nadia Ounais**, Musee Oceanographique de Monaco, and Secretary-General of the European Union of Museum Curators

Participants experienced in working with media on environmental and ocean issues:

**John Bennett**, Religion, Science, and the Environment symposia

**Vickie Spruil**, Seaweb

**Joe Smith**, Cambridge Media Project

**16:00-17:30****SESSION 10. EMERGING ISSUES**

*This Roundtable will focus on emerging issues, especially biodiversity in the high seas and in deepsea areas.*

Chair: **David VanderZwaag**, Dalhousie University

**Phil Burgess**, UNICPOLOS Co-Chair

**Lee Kimball**, Independent Consultant

**Louise de La Fayette**, UNDOALOS

**Satya Nandan**, International Seabed Authority

NGO perspective?

**17:30-18:30****SESSION 11. BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER**

- 1. Reports from Discussion Groups**
- 2. Perspectives on the Way Forward**

**Douglas Johnston**, University of British Columbia

**Gunnar Kullenberg**, former Executive Director, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO

**Jon Van Dyke**, University of Hawaii

- 3. Concluding Remarks and Closing by Conference Co-chairs**

**19:00 FAREWELL RECEPTION**

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**Registration Form**

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I am enclosing the following registration fee:

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\_\_\_ **US \$350.00** (for registration sent **after September 15, 2003** until **November 6, 2003**)

\_\_\_ **US \$400.00** (for registration at the Conference)

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