

TITLE: COP27 Virtual Ocean Pavilion Closing Event: *Raising Unity in Ocean-Climate Action*

DATE: November 16, 2022, 5:00 - 6:30 PM EET

INTRODUCTION

The COP27 Virtual Ocean Pavilion is an online platform dedicated to raising the visibility of the ocean and showcasing why the ocean matters in climate negotiations and to all life on our planet. It aims to increase knowledge, commitment, and action for the ocean-climate nexus at key events during and in the run up to the UN Climate Conference (COP27) in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt this November.

This closing event of the COP27 Virtual Ocean Pavilion will look to discuss the collaborative and cooperative approaches that are being used to progress the ocean in the climate, biodiversity and sustainable development agendas considering the outcomes and expectations from the major ocean events of 2022. It will include high level interventions, personal experiences and messages across the age spectrum and give examples of collaborative undertakings at the local to global level. Lastly the session will review the role and success of this COP27 Virtual Ocean Pavilion in engaging and reaching out to those not able to attend COP27, indeed in its role of democratizing the ocean at COP27 and promoting unity and inclusivity.


AGENDA


5:00	Introduction to the closing event	Prof. Elisa Morgera
5:05	Perspective from Tanzania in promoting collaborative ocean-climate action to achieve the Paris Agreement targets	Dr. Aboud S. Jumbe, Tanzania
5:10	Taking ocean-climate action to the next level: The imperative of collaborative ocean science	Dr. Vladimir Ryabinin, IOC-UNESCO
5:15	Doing better with what we have: Leveraging available financing to strengthen ocean-climate action	Ms. Sophie Masipa, OceanHub Africa
5:20	Short video on Blue Transformation	FAO
5:25	Accelerating green shipping through collaborative and cooperative approaches	Mr. Andrew Stephens, Sustainable Shipping Initiative
5:30	Addressing the ocean-climate nexus through global partnerships	International Partnership on MPAs, Biodiversity, and Climate Change (TBD)
5:35	Panel discussion	Moderator and panelists
5:50	Q&A with VOP attendees	Moderator and panelists
6:10	Democratizing the COP: The role of the Virtual Ocean Pavilion at COP27	Ms. Thecla Keizer, Plymouth Marine Laboratory
6:15	Short video on Indigenous Peoples, Traditional Knowledge, and Ocean-Climate Action	One Ocean Hub
6:20	Closing of the COP27 Virtual Ocean Pavilion	Mr. Richard Delaney, Center for Coastal Studies and Global Ocean Forum
6:25	Wrap-up	Moderator: Prof. Elisa Morgera

ORGANIZERS: Global Ocean Forum and Plymouth Marine Laboratory

PANELIST PHOTOS AND BIOS

<p>Dr. Aboud S. Jumbe</p> 	<p>Dr. Aboud Jumbe is Principal Secretary at the Ministry of Blue Economy and Fisheries, Zanzibar, Tanzania since 2021. Formerly Head of the Policy, Planning & Research Unit of the Department of Environment, Zanzibar Department of Environment, Zanzibar (>10 years) Dr. Aboud also worked as a Research Associate in the Bangalore Urban Lung Spaces and Urban People's Biodiversity Register. Dr. Aboud holds a PhD in Environmental Science (Limnology of Urban Wetlands).</p> <p>His expertise includes: Environment and Sustainable Development Goals; Ocean Policy; Small Island Developing States; Climate Change Adaptation; Disaster Risk Reduction; Oil and Gas for Development; Biodiversity, Ecosystems and Natural Resources; Environmental and Social Impact Assessments; Strategic Environmental Assessments; Multilateral Environmental Agreements; Environmental Research, Monitoring and Analysis.</p>
<p>Dr. Vladimir Ryabinin</p> 	<p>Dr. Vladimir Ryabinin is the Executive Secretary of the IOC, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO, and Assistant Director-General of UNESCO. He is an oceanographer, marine engineer, meteorologist and climatologist. He is responsible for several mathematical models for the ocean, atmosphere, wind, waves and so on and has authored hundreds of scientific publications.</p> <p>Since the 1980s, Ryabinin has been involved in the activities of the United Nations in various capacities and has contributed to the core design and coordination of such international initiatives as the Global Ocean Observing System and the World Climate Research Programme.</p> <p>The current work of the IOC and Ryabinin is focused on creating a solid scientific foundation for managing the ocean sustainably, including through the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development, 2021–2030.</p>
<p>Ms. Sophie Masipa</p>	<p>Sophie Masipa: Co-Founder, MwanganoESG Sophie Masipa is the Director of OceanHub Africa, an ocean-impact catalyst with the mission to connect, inspire and support entrepreneurs, investors, researchers, businesses and other stakeholders to accelerate the development and adoption of new sustainable ocean solutions across Africa. She is the co-Founder of MwanganoESG, the first a pan-African ESG specialist consultancy that assists local and international</p>

	<p>organisations to develop a curated holistic communications approach to ESG, and to have a sustainable, more prosperous and inclusive African economy. Sophie is Founder of Kgommuu International, an environmental infrastructure and services company. She is the Southern and East Africa Associate for the World Ocean Council. Sophie was named one of the Top 100 Most Influential People of African Descent under 40 in the Diaspora under the Governance and Politics Category. She is a Crans Montana Forum New Leader for Tomorrow.</p>
<p>Mr. Andrew Stephens</p>	<p>Andrew Stephens, Executive director, Sustainable Shipping Initiative</p> <p>Andrew has a truly international background in the maritime industry, working for leading maritime service providers, in the position of Chief Operating Officer, such as Wilhelmsen Ships Service and Wallem Group, in a career which has seen him working in the UK, UAE, USA, Norway and Hong Kong. He was responsible for leading and managing business transformation, continuous improvement, integration and change management programmes, drive strategic planning and implementation consequently delivering on improved customer satisfaction, business performance and efficiency.</p> <p>After a successful period in both international groups he joined The Sustainable Shipping Initiative in August 2018, where he is responsible for leadership of the Secretariat.</p>
<p>Ms. Thecla Keizer</p>	<p>Thecla Keizer is the Deputy Head of the International Office at Plymouth Marine Laboratory, a co-founder of the first Virtual Ocean Pavilion at a COP and with her organization a partner in the first Ocean Pavilion in the Blue zone at COP27. Thecla has been attending the UNFCCC COPs since 2009 where, with her colleague Dr Carol Turley, she pioneered the realisation of an international ocean acidification partnership presence. Closer to home she sits on the UK Marine Science and Coordination Committee International Working Group assessing UK marine science engagement with international initiatives.</p>
<p>Professor Elisa Morgera</p>	<p>Elisa Morgera is Professor of Global Environmental Law and the Director of the UKRI GCRF One Ocean Hub. She is a member of the Strathclyde Centre for Environmental Law and Governance. She specializes in international, European and comparative environmental law, with a particular focus on the interaction between biodiversity law and human rights (particularly those of indigenous peoples and local communities), equity and sustainability in natural resource development, oceans governance, and corporate accountability. Elisa has also researched the environmental dimensions of the external relations of the European Union (EU).</p>

<p>Mr. Richard Delaney</p> 	<p>Richard Delaney has over 35 years of experience with the development and implementation of integrated coastal and ocean management plans and policies at all levels of government in the US and other countries. Formerly President and CEO of the Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown, MA for 14 years, he was also the founding Director of the Urban Harbors Institute at the University of Massachusetts Boston where he provided leadership for the creation of the first Marine Spatial Plan in the US; served as Assistant Secretary of Environmental Affairs and Director of the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Program where he played key roles in the restoration of Boston Harbor. He has served as the National Chair of the Coastal States Organization in Washington DC representing the views of the 35 coastal states, Great Lake states and US territories and their Governors on legislative and budgetary matters before Congress. Mr. Delaney has served on the Board of Directors of the Global Ocean Forum (GOF) since 2002 He has a BS in Political Science from Harvard, has completed graduate studies in environmental planning and landscape architecture at the State University of New York College of Environmental Sciences and Forestry and completed a Certificate Program for Senior Executives at JFK School of Government.</p>
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