







## **WORKSHOP AGENDA**

## Science for Solutions: Bringing Stakeholders Together to Improve Ocean Planning and Governance in ABNJ of the South-East Atlantic and Western Indian Ocean 10 – 12 June 2019 Cape town, South Africa

Day 1 – 10 June 2019	
09:00 - 09:30	Welcome on behalf of the Abidjan Convention Secretariat, Nairobi Convention
	Secretariat, the ABNJ Deep Seas Project, the STRONG High Seas Project, host country
	South Africa, and Germany & overview of objectives of the workshop
09:30 - 09:35	Ice Breaker
09:35 – 10:00	Session 1: Project updates
	STRONG High Seas Project State of Play
	Overview of the state of play in the STRONG High Seas project (IASS)
	ABNJ Deep Seas Project
	Overview of progress of the ABNJ Deep Seas project and plans for the final months of the
	project (UNEP-WCMC)
	Followed by discussion
10:00 - 10:30	Session 2: BBNJ Negotiations
	BBNJ IGC 2 Negotiations
	Presentation of the discussions and outcomes of the second meeting of UN negotiations for
	a BBNJ treaty and way forward towards the third meeting in August 2019 (IASS)
10:30 - 11:00	Session 3: Engagement related to biodiversity, ABNJ and BBNJ in the regions
	Abidjan Convention Presentation on State of Play related to ABNJ/BBNJ
	Presentation on ongoing work in the Abidjan Convention region, with a particular focus on
	BBNJ (Secretariat)
	Nairobi Convention Presentation on State of Play related to biodiversity
	Presentation on ongoing work in the Nairobi Convention region, with a particular focus on
	biodiversity (Secretariat)
	Followed by discussion
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 13:00	States Presentations on State of Play related to ABNJ/BBNJ
	Presentations by four to five states (total) from the Abidjan Convention and Nairobi
	Convention
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 14:30	States Panel discussion on State of Play related to ABNJ/BBNJ  Discussion on the presentations by States
14:30 - 15:00	Stakeholder Presentations on State of Play related to ABNJ/BBNJ
14.30 – 15.00	Presentations on stakeholders' perspective and ongoing work progresses on ABNJ (2)
	presenters TBD)
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:00	Stakeholder Presentations on State of Play related to ABNJ/BBNJ (continued)
	Presentations on stakeholders' perspective and ongoing work progresses on ABNJ (2
	presenters TBD)









16:00 - 17:00	Stakeholders Panel discussion on State of Play related to ABNJ/BBNJ
	Discussion on the presentations by stakeholders
	(4 presenters from previous sessions)
19:00	Social dinner
	Day 2 – 11 June 2019
09:00 - 11:00	Session 4: Area-based planning in ABNJ
	Presentation: Cross-sectoral area-based planning
	Presentation outlining what cross-sectoral area-based planning involves, lessons from
	other ABNJ regions and relevance to BBNJ discussions (UNEP-WCMC)
	Presentation: Area-based planning methodology
	Presentation describing what the methodology for area-based planning that has been
	developed under the ABNJ Deep Seas project is, how it has been developed and how
	and why it can be used (UNEP-WCMC)
	Exercise: Testing a methodology for area-based planning
	Participants will be split into working groups to test an area-based planning methodology
	using different scenarios. Instructions will be provided via a short presentation and
	materials (UNEP-WCMC)
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 – 12:30	Exercise continued
	Continuation of exercise to test area-based planning methodology (UNEP-WCMC)
12:30 – 13:00	Plenary Discussion
	Working groups report results and share insights and experiences in testing the area-based
	planning methodology (UNEP-WCMC)
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:00	Session 5. Capacity building and stakeholder engagement
	Presentation: Area-based planning capacity
	Presentation outlining the results from the ABNJ Deep Seas Project's capacity
	assessment for the Western Indian Ocean (GRID Arendal)
	Exercise: Breakout group discussions on priority elements from the capacity assessment
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:30	Capacity building and stakeholder engagement (continued)
	Presentation: Capacity needs assessment for BBNJ in the Southeast Atlantic
	Presentation on ongoing and upcoming work on developing and conducting a capacity
	needs assessment on BBNJ/ABNJ for the Southeast Atlantic towards future workshops
	and initiatives (IOI-SA)
	Presentation: Developing a stakeholder platform
	Presentation on the progress of the development of a stakeholder platform, and links
	to discussions and inputs from the first Dialogue Workshop held in Abidjan, Côte
	d'Ivoire (IOI-SA)
	Followed by discussion









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16:30 – 17:00	Session 6: The state of biodiversity in the Southeast Atlantic
	Presentation: Ecological baselines report
	Presentation on the progress of the ecological baselines report (Birdlife)
	Followed by discussion
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Day 3 – 12 June 2019	
09:00 - 10:00	Session 7: Governance and biodiversity in ABNJ
	Presentation: Legal report titled 'Strengthening Regional Ocean Governance for the
	High Seas: Opportunities and Challenges to Improve the Legal and Institutional
	Framework of the Southeast Atlantic and Southeast Pacific'
	Presentation on the outcomes of the legal report and links to discussions and inputs
	from the first Dialogue Workshop held in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire in June 2018 (IASS)
	Presentation: Updates & lessons learnt from other regions
	Presentation on lessons learnt from other regions (IDDRI)
	Presentation: Activity progress on Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) of
	Human Activities in ABNJ
	Presentation of current findings on MCS (IDDRI)
	Followed by discussion
10:00 – 11:00	Session 8: Ecological Connectivity
	Presentation: MiCo project
	Presentation on the MiCo project (Duke University)
	Presentation: iAtlantic project
	Presentation on the iAtlantic project
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 12:15	Session 9: Next steps
	STRONG High Seas Project next steps
	Presentation: Next steps for project and future work of the STRONG High Seas project
	in the region (IASS)
	ABNJ Deep Seas Project next steps
	<u>Presentation:</u> Next steps for project and future work of the ABNJ Deep Seas project in the
	region (UNEP-WCMC)
12:15 – 13:00	Closing of the Workshop – Abidjan Convention Secretariat, Nairobi Convention
	Secretariat, the ABNJ Deep Seas Project, the STRONG High Seas Project, host country
	South Africa and Germany
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 17:00	High Level Meeting between Abidjan Convention and Nairobi Convention