



2023 Western Indian Ocean Science Policy Platform (WIO-SPP)

Theme: Addressing Global Targets in the WIO in support of a Sustainable Blue Economy

Maputo, Mozambique 2023

Provisional Agenda

Tuesday 5 December 2023		
Time	Event	Responsible
08:00 – 08:55	Registration	Nairobi Convention Secretariat/INOM
Session 1: Official Opening of the Meeting		
09:00 – 09:30	Opening statements	Nairobi Convention Secretariat
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09:30 – 09:45	Adoption of the Agenda	Chair of the Bureau Supported by Government of Mozambique
09:45 – 10:15	Group Photo and Tea/Coffee Break	All
Session 2: Global Biodiversity Framework		
10:15 – 10:45	Keynote Presentation I: implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Biodiversity Framework in the Western Indian Ocean	Marco Pereira
10:45 – 11:00	Delivering the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework: Mainstreaming Marine Spatial Planning and Data Support Process into Marine Biodiversity Conservation in the Western Indian Ocean Region	Joana Akrofi
11:15 – 11:30	Incorporating mangroves into the national climate and biodiversity agenda of WIO countries	James Kairo
11:30 – 11:45	Transboundary conservation area (TBCA) Economic Valuation	Jackie Crawford
11:45 – 12:00	Milestones and urgent needs in the development of the Kenya-Tanzania marine transboundary conservation area – Proposal for the next 5 years	Vera Horigue
12:00 – 12:15	Aligning the national and regional biodiversity targets with the new Global Biodiversity Framework: science informing policy making in Mozambique	Eleuterio Duarte
12:15 – 13:00	Plenary Discussions	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	All
14:00 – 15:30	Breakouts	
15:30 – 16:00	Tea / Coffee Break	All
16:00 – 17:00	Report Back	



Wednesday 6 December 2023

Time	Event	Responsible
08:45 – 09:00	Recap of the Day 1	Secretariat
Session 3: Locally Managed Marine Area (LMMA)		
09:00– 09:30	Keynote Presentation II: Navigating 30x30 – building bridges between conservation and small-scale fisheries	Maya Pfaff
09:30 – 09:45	Enhancing Compliance and Enforcement to Safeguard Small-Scale Fisheries and Biodiversity for Improved Livelihoods in the Western Indian Ocean Region –	Samoilys et al
09:45 – 10:00	Enabling effective coastal and marine protection conservation and expansion through OECMs: Piloting OECM legal recognition and implementation in Madagascar	Government of Madagascar
10:00 – 10:15	Advancing Conservation through Community-Led Area-Based Fisheries Management: A Pathway to Achieving 30x30 Targets and Recognizing the Role of Local Knowledge and Participatory Science Tools	Atanasio Brito et al
10:15 – 10:45	Tea/Coffee Break	
Session 4: Crosscutting Session		
10:45 – 11:00	SDG 14.4: Bridging the divide between intent and implementation	Jim Anderson and Arthur Tuda
11:00 – 11:15	Advancing Seagrass Conservation and Management Across the Western Indian Ocean	Stacy Baez
11:15 – 11:30	Improving shark and ray management in the Western Indian Ocean -	Rhett Bennett
11:30 – 11:45	Towards a regional MSP vision and roadmap for the Northern Mozambique Channel	Samantha Petersen
11:45 – 12:00	Progress towards an Ecosystem Indicator Monitoring Framework for the WIO	Warwick Sauer
12:00 – 12:15	Rising climate risk and loss and damage to coastal small-scale fisheries livelihoods	Joseph Maina
12:15 – 12:30	Vulnerability and adaptation of Mozambique coastal zones to climate change	Antonio Hoguane
12:30 – 13:00	Plenary Discussion	All
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	All
Session 5: Ocean Governance		
14:00 – 14:30	Keynote Presentation III: Ocean Governance - The role of State Ocean jurisdiction in collaborative ocean governance in the WIO	Patrick Vrancken
14:30 – 14:45	The draft Regional Ocean Governance Strategy (ROGS)	Kieran Kelleher
14:45 – 15:00	The Information Management Strategy (IMS) for the western Indian Ocean	Sijali Pamba
15:00 – 15:15	Source-to-sea management in the western Indian Ocean: policy, governance and technical considerations for regional implementation,	Joseph Maina
15:15 – 15:30	Principles for transformative ocean governance	Amanda Lombard



15:30 – 16:00	Tea / Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:00	Breakouts	Chair
17:00 – 17:30	Discussions and Report Back	Chair
Thursday 7 December 2023		
Time	Event	Responsible
08:45 – 09:00	Recap of Day 2	Secretariat
Session 6: Emerging issues of regional importance		
09:00 - 09:30	Keynote Presentation: ProAzul: Developing Mozambique's Blue Economy	Simão Lopes
09:30 – 10:00	Keynote Presentation V: Marine Biodiversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)	Joseph Maina
09:30 – 09:45	Conservation, Surveillance and Monitoring in the High Seas - Implications for the Western Indian Ocean Region	Arthur Tuda
10:15 – 10:30	Application of the Urban Monitoring Framework in Linking Data to Policy and Action -	UN-Habitat and WIOMSA
10:30 – 11:00	Tea/Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:15	Marine plastic pollution: Research needs to support the upcoming international legally binding instrument	Agnes Muthumbi
11:15 – 11:30	Leading the Coordination of a Regional OA Monitoring Network to Inform Implementation of Marine, Climate and Sustainable Development Goals	WIOMSA
11:30 – 11:45	A Toolkit for Sustainable Port Development in a Blue Economy	Steven Weerts
11:450 – 12:00	Blue Finance in support of improved Ocean Governance in the WIO	Kieran Kelleher
12:00 – 12:20	Plenary Discussion	All
12:20 – 13:00	Breakouts	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	All
14:00 – 15:00	Breakouts	All
15:00 – 15:30	Report Back	Chair/Secretariat
15:30 – 16:00	Tea / Coffee Break	All
Session 7:	Closure of the Meeting	
16:00 – 16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nairobi Convention Secretariat • WIOMSA • Government of Madagascar • Government of Mozambique 	