



Draft Agenda

“The First IORA Ministerial Blue Economy Conference 2015”

“Enhancing Blue Economy Cooperation for Sustainable Development in the IORA Region”

Date: 2 – 3 September, 2015

Venue: Mauritius

01 SEPTEMBER 2015

1930	Welcome Cocktail and Dinner for all registered Delegates
	Dinner Address by Ms. Paula Caballero, Senior Director, Environmental and Natural Resources, Global Practice, World Bank on “ Sustainable Development of the Oceans: An integrated approach ”

DAY 1 (SENIOR OFFICIAL MEETING) - 02 SEPTEMBER 2015

0830 – 0855	Registration
TIME	EVENT
0855 – 0900	Welcome Remarks by Ambassador K V Bhagirath, Secretary General of IORA
0900 – 1000	<p>Working Session 1: Fisheries and Aquaculture- “Regional cooperation for sustainable Fisheries & Aquaculture Management in the Indian Ocean”</p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Indonesia</p> <p>0900 – 0910: Brief Presentation by Professor Narnia Bohler-Muller, Deputy Executive Director, Democracy, Governance and Service Delivery, Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC), South Africa, on the Blue Economy Core Group Workshop on “Promoting Fisheries & Aquaculture and Maritime Safety & Security Cooperation in the IOR”</p> <p>0910 – 0925: Presentation on “Regional cooperation for sustainable Fisheries & Aquaculture Management in the Indian Ocean” by Mr Patrice Talla Takoukam, FAO representative, Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO)</p> <p>0925 – 0955: Discussion sessions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Enhancing Capacity Building Programmes for promoting Fisheries and Aquaculture development in the IOR region ii. Promoting Private and Public partnership on fisheries and aquaculture in the IOR region iii. Strengthening research and development to promote fisheries and aquaculture cooperation in the IOR region iv. Project proposals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Trainer’s Training Programmes to address issues related to Fisheries

	<p>and Aquaculture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pilot Project on small-scale inland and/or nearshore aquaculture ○ Training programme on seafood handling, post-harvest processing and storage of fisheries and aquaculture products. <p>0955 – 1000: Recommendations of CSO</p>
1000 – 1050	<p>Working Session 2: Renewable Ocean Energy: “Exploring regional opportunities for Renewable Ocean Energy in the Indian Ocean region”</p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> UAE</p> <p>1000 – 1010: Special Presentation on Renewable Ocean Energy by Dr Thani Ahmed Al Zeyoudi, Ambassador of Energy and Climate Change & Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to IRENA, UAE</p> <p>1010 – 1025: Presentation by Dr A Suddhoo, Executive Director, Mauritius Research Council, Mauritius on “Exploring regional opportunities for Renewable Ocean Energy in the Indian Ocean region”</p> <p>1025 – 1055: Discussion sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Enhancing Capacity building programmes for renewable ocean energy related topics and issues ii. Renewable Ocean Energy: Opportunities and Challenges in the IOR region iii. Promoting cooperation and transfer of technologies on renewable ocean energy in the IOR iv. Promoting research and development on renewable ocean energy <p>1055 - 1100: Recommendations of CSO</p>
1100 – 1115	COFFEE BREAK
1115 – 1200	<p>Working Session 3: Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals: “Towards developing the Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals sector in the Indian Ocean region”</p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Australia</p> <p>1115 – 1125: Brief Presentation by Mr Gunn John, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Institute of Marine Science, Australia, on Indian Ocean Region Workshop on “Exploration and Development of Seabed Minerals and Hydrocarbons: Current Capability and Emerging Science Needs”</p> <p>1125 – 1155: Discussion sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Promoting cooperation and transfer of technology for the Sustainable Development of the Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals sector in the IOR region ii. Enhancing Capacity Building programmes on Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals in the IOR region iii. Enhancing research and development on Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals among Member States and Dialogue Partners in the IOR region iv. Promoting Private and Public partnership on Offshore Hydrocarbons and

	<p>Seabed Minerals in the IOR region</p> <p>v. Project proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Training programmes on sustainable exploration of seabed resources o Establishing a guideline on environmental impacts of Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals exploration on the marine environment in the IORA region o A workshop on data management, standardization and accessibility of data related to Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals exploration and mining in the IOR region o The assessment of existing regulatory framework on Offshore Hydrocarbons and Seabed Minerals exploration and mining in the IOR region <p>1155 – 1200: Recommendations of CSO</p>
1200 – 1245	<p>Working Session 4: Seaport and Shipping: “Enhancing Seaport & Shipping management facilities in the Indian Ocean Rim region”</p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Mauritius</p> <p>1200 – 1240: Discussion sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Establishment of a common guidelines for ship registration in the IOR region ii. Promoting cooperation on Seaport and Shipping in the IOR region iii. Enhancing capacity building programmes on Seaport and Shipping sector in the IOR region iv. Promoting cruise development in the IOR region. <p>1240 – 1245: Recommendations of CSO</p>
1245	LUNCH BREAK
1500 – 1530	Presentation of Draft Recommendations to CSO by Mauritius and IORA Secretariat
1530 – 1630	Discussion on Draft Blue Economy Declaration Co-chaired by Mauritius and IORA Secretariat
1630 – 1645	Closing Remarks by Mauritius and IORA Secretariat
1930	DINNER

DAY 2 (MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE) - 03 SEPTEMBER 2015

TIME	EVENT
	INAUGURAL SESSION Venue: Chamarel 1
1045 – 1048	Welcome remarks by Ambassador K V Bhagirath, Secretary General of IORA
1048 – 1053	Address by The Hon. Arif Havas Oegroseno, Deputy Minister for Maritime Sovereignty at the Coordinating Ministry for Maritime Affairs, Indonesia
1053 – 1058	Address by The Hon. Steven Ciobo MP, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Trade and Investment, Australia
1058 – 1103	Address by

	The Hon. Premdoot Koonjoo, Minister of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries, Shipping and Outer Islands, Mauritius
1103 – 1108	Address by The Hon. Etienne Sinatambou, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade, Mauritius
1108	Keynote Address and Inauguration by The Right Hon. Sir Anerood Jugnauth, GCSK, KCMG, QC, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius
Followed by Group Photo with Heads of Delegation/ Teabreak	
1130 – 1230	Ministerial Retreat (1 + 1) - Venue: Chamarel 2 (Member States and Dialogue Partners) Chaired by: The Hon. Etienne Sinatambou, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade, Mauritius
1245 – 1345	LUNCH BREAK Venue for Ministers: Chamarel 2 Venue for Officials: 180 degrees restaurant
1400 - 1630	PLENARY SESSION – Venue: Chamarel 1 Country Statements by Member States, Dialogue Partners and UN institutions [UNDP and FAO] Moderated by: Secretary General of IORA
1630 – 1645	TEA BREAK
1645 – 1745	Presentation of the draft recommendations to Ministers: Chaired by: Secretary General of IORA 1645 -1650: Summary of recommendations by Indonesia on Fisheries and Aquaculture 1650 – 1700: Endorsement of recommendations on Fisheries and Aquaculture by Member States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Enhancing Capacity Building Programmes for promoting Fisheries and Aquaculture development in the IOR region ii. Promoting Private and Public partnership on fisheries and aquaculture in the IOR region iii. Strengthening research and development to promote fisheries and aquaculture cooperation in the IOR region iv. Project proposals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Trainer’s Training Programmes to address issues related to Fisheries and Aquaculture o Pilot Project on small-scale inland and/or nearshore aquaculture o Training programme on seafood handling, post-harvest processing and storage of fisheries and aquaculture products. 1700 – 1705: Summary of recommendations by UAE on Renewable Ocean Energy

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1745 – 1800	<p>Adoption of the Blue Economy Declaration Chaired by: Mauritius</p>
1800 – 1815	<p>Closing Remarks by Mauritius and IORA Secretariat</p>
1815 – 1830	<p>Press Briefing</p>
1930	<p>DINNER</p>