

Launch of the Centre for Blue Governance

Workshop sessions

Thursday 13 February, 2020, Portland Building, University of Portsmouth

0800 – 0900

Registration – Drinks and refreshments will be available

0900 – 1045

Session 1: Welcome and keynotes – Portland 0.41, Portland Building

Chair – Professor Andy Thorpe, University of Portsmouth

0900-0920

Welcome by Bob Nichol, Pro-Vice Chancellor of Research, University of Portsmouth and opening remarks by Pierre Failler and Alex Ford, Directors of the Centre for Blue Governance

0920-1045

Keynote Presentations followed by Questions and Answers

- The UN Decade, Vladimir Ryabinin and Justin Ahanhanzp, IOC/UNESCO
- Regional Dimension for Blue Governance, Piero Mannini, FAO
- Blue Economy concept and application in Africa, Daya Bragante, UNECA
- The Commonwealth Blue Charter, Nick Hardman-Mountford, Commonwealth Secretariat
- Blue Finance, Paul Holthus, World Ocean Council
- Indian Ocean Blue Economy Activities, Raj Mohabeer, Indian Ocean Commission

1100 – 1230

Session 2: A Blue Governance framework for developing countries

Portland Building & Future Technology Centre

Chair – Dr. Justin Ahanhanzo, IOC/UNESCO

(Drinks and refreshments provided)

1100-1230

Small group discussions to frame the Blue Governance Framework for Developing Countries.

Each group to answer one of the following (for developing countries):

1. What would the ideal governance 'system' look like to achieve the objectives of the UN Decade of Ocean Science? (Portland 2.08)
2. What are the challenges/limiting steps to achieve blue governance in developing countries? (FTC Level 1)
3. What are the key priorities and processes that must be undertaken to overcome the identified challenges in order to develop the necessary ideal governance to achieve Decade objectives? (FTC Level 1)

1230-1330

Lunch, Portland Atrium

1330-1600

Session 3 Priority activities for Blue Governance in the UN Decade

Portland Building 2.33 a,b,c

Chair – Professor Steve Fletcher, University of Portsmouth

(Drinks and refreshments provided)

1330-1345

Rapporteurs report of Session 2

1345-1400

Outline of a collective paper on Blue Governance and the UN Decade by Steve Fletcher.

1400-1515

Small group discussions to develop the content of the paper

1515-1600

Wrap-up discussions and decide completion of the framework and paper within a period of 4 weeks

1600

End of workshop sessions of launch event

1600-1700

Drinks reception in Portland Atrium

1700-1800

Welcome, public keynotes and 'Director's talk'
Room 0.41, Portland Building
MC – Dr. Sui Phang, University of Portsmouth

Public launch presentations celebrating the value of seas and oceans and the path towards protecting its future for both nature and humans.

- Graham Galbraith, Vice Chancellor, University of Portsmouth
- Dee Caffari MBE, offshore sailor and ocean health advocate
- Rear Admiral Nick Lambert, Former UK National Hydrographer, NLA International
- 'Directors Talk' - Prof. Pierre Failler & Prof. Alex Ford, Centre for Blue Governance, University of Portsmouth

1800-1900

Drinks reception, Portland Atrium

1900-2300

Event dinner on the HMS Warrior (Invite only)