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Action Solutions & Partnerships to Revitalize Our Oceans

Thursday, June 29, 2023, 1pm - 3:30pm, EDT – RSVP Here Virtual Platform & In-Person options to join ~ Light Lunch Available from 12Noon-1pm ~

Co-Hosts

The Permanent Missions of the Republic of Palau and the Republic of Vanuatu to the UN with the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY and the Baha'i International Community

<u>Our Partners</u>: PVBLIC Foundation, SDG Relief Fund, the Global Alliance for a Sustainable Planet, Baha'i International Community, the Coalition for the UN We Need, The Stimson Center, RecycleGO, Amish Market, United Cities & Local Governments, IBTK Foundation, NGO/MG Urban Cluster, Global Family, Humanitarian Focus Foundation, Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission, Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, Global Urban Development, Huairou Commission, General Assembly of Partners, Global Family for Love & Peace, Debate for Peace, ICW, YFBW-MMUN, GNEC, CoNGO, and UNA-USA-COO.

Concept Note

Our annual observance for UN World Oceans Day / Month this year will include a panel of experts with their innovative initiatives for revitalizing our Oceans. Together, we are engaging stakeholders from various sectors to develop sustainable action solutions and partnerships for the UN 17 SDGs. Building on the momentum generated by the successful negotiations of the UN Intergovernmental Conference on Marine Biodiversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction, we look forward to future success to protect our environment from the impacts of climate change and plastic pollution, especially the impacts of rising sea levels on coastal communities. We are focused on achieving the UN2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, "To Leave No One Behind" and the UN Summit of the Future.

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Programme

Jeremy McKane's "My Best Friends" filmed off the Coast of Tonga

Welcome by Co-Moderators

- Margo LaZaro, President & Chair of the NGOCSD-NY, Director of UN Relations for Global Family, and Convener of the NGO/MG Urban Cluster for the UN HLPF
- Daniel Perell, UN Representative for the Baha'i International Community to the UN & Co-Chair
 of the Coalition for the UN We Need

Opening Reflections

• H.E. Ms. Ilana Seid, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Palau to the United Nations

Keynote Reflections

- H.E. Mr. Odo Tevi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Vanuatu to the United Nations
- Amir A. Dossal, President and CEO of the Global Partnerships Forum
- Sergio Fernandez de Cordova, Founder & Executive Chairman of PVBLIC Foundation, and P3 Smart City Partners

Our Ocean Explorers

- Jeremy McKane, CEO of OCN.ai, an Artist, Explorer and Entrepreneur
- Gaelin Rosenwaks, Founder of Global Ocean Exploration, Inc.
- Fabien Cousteau, Founder and President of the Proteus Group & the Fabien Cousteau Ocean Learning Center

Action Solutions

- Henk Rogers, President of the Tetris Company, Founder of Blue Planet Alliance, the Blue Planet Foundation, and Blue Planet Energy
- Stan Chen, CEO of RecycleGO, Inc and President of United Metal Recycling
- Isaac Reshad, Managing Director of Global Access Partner, LLC, Co-Founder & President of SDG Relief Fund
- Alastair Callender, Founder of Callender Designs an Award Winning Sustainable Yacht Designer, Yacht Charter Vacations Specialist & Philanthropist
- Richard Kesner, Senior Investment Counsel, Canovation, LLC.
- Mrs. Edie Rodriguez, a Special Advisor to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's Public Investment Fund and a Member of the Board of Directors of the Saudi Tourism Authority
- Brett Howell, Executive Director & Founder, Howell Conservation Fund
- Sandra Baer, CEO, Personal Cities, Brand Ambassador, SmartCitiesWorld

Updates on the UN Summit of the Future

• Jeffery Huffines, Senior Advisor of the Coalition for the UN We Need

Interactive Dialogue Exchange