

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Twenty-First meeting
14 – 18 June 2021
Panel
“Sea level rise and its impacts”

Segment 1

Sea level rise : understanding the issue, its impacts and related challenges

Monday, 14 June

10 am – 12 pm NY time EDT

Panellist	Affiliation	Presentation
<p style="text-align: center;">Mr. Carlos Garcia-Soto</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Director Joint Global Change Unit (Spanish National Research Council - University of the Basque Country) Joint Coordinator of the Group of Experts for the third cycle of the UN Regular Process (World Ocean Assessment III) </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sea level Rise in UN World Ocean Assessment and other UN Assessments</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Ms. Corinna Schrum</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Director of the Institute of Coastal Systems - Analysis and Modelling Helmholtz-Zentrum Hereon Professor, Universität Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Past and Future Sea Level Rise – Causes, Uncertainties, Impacts and Challenges</i></p>

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Tuesday, 15 June

10 am- 12 pm NY time EDT

Panellist	Affiliation	Presentation
Ms. Zita Sebesvari	Deputy Director, Head of Environmental Vulnerability & Ecosystem Services Section, United Nations University, Institute for Environment and Human Security Lead author on the sea-level rise chapter in the Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate	<u>Sea-level Rise and Implications for Low-lying Coasts- main messages of the IPCC and SROCC Report</u>
Mr. William Sweet	Senior Oceanographer, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration	<u>Sea level rise: understanding the issue, its impacts and related challenges</u>
Mr. Blair Greenan	DFO Research Scientist, Bedford Institute of Oceanography in Nova Scotia, Canada Scientific Director for the Argo Canada program	<u>A Canadian perspective on understanding the issues, impacts and challenges of sea level rise</u>
Mr. Patricio Winckler	Member of the Ocean Engineering Group at Universidad de Valparaiso, Chile	<u>Climate-driven impacts along a tectonically active coast: The Chilean case</u>
Mr. Robert Nicholls	Director, Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research, University of East Anglia Co-chair of WCRP's Grand Challenge on "Regional Sea Level Change and Coastal Impacts	<u>Sea-level rise and coastal communities</u>

Mr. Pierpaolo Campostrini	Managing Director of CORILA (association of Universities and public research bodies for managing research on Venice, supervised by the Ministry of Research of Italy)	<u>Venice, a clear example of impacts of SLR and a new paradigm of adaptation</u>
Ms. Madeline Garlick Mr. Cameron Shilton	Chief of the Protection Policy and Legal Advice Section, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Protection Officer in the Legal Unit of the Protection Policy and Legal Advice Section, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	<u>Human mobility and international protection in the context of sea level rise</u>

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Wednesday, 16 June
4 – 6 pm NY time (EDT)

Panellist	Affiliation	Presentation
Mr. Fernando Siringan	Professor, The Marine Science Institute, University of the Philippines	<u>Sea-level rise, its impacts, and compounding factors in the Philippines</u>
Ms. Rosemarie Cadogan	Legal Adviser (maritime boundaries), Trade, Oceans and Natural Resources Directorate, Commonwealth Secretariat	<u>Commonwealth initiatives and sea level rise adaptation</u>
Mr. Jens Kruger	Deputy Director for the Ocean and Maritime Programme, Pacific Community (SPC)	<u>Sea-level rise and adaptation measures in Pacific Islands</u>

Segment 2

International cooperation and coordination in addressing the impacts and challenges related to sea level rise

Wednesday, 16 June
4 - 6 pm NY time (EDT)

Panellist	Affiliation	Presentation
Mr. Filimon Manoni	Deputy Secretary General, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat	<i>Sea-level Rise: Securing the Limits of the Blue Pacific</i>
Mr. Thomas James	Research Scientist, Geological Survey of Canada	<i>A Canadian Perspective on International Cooperation in Addressing the Challenges and Impacts of Sea-level Rise</i>

Segment 2

International cooperation and coordination in addressing the impacts and challenges related to sea level rise

Thursday, 17 June
4 - 6 pm NY time (EDT)

Panellist	Affiliation	Presentation
Ms. Penelope Ridings	Barrister and International Lawyer Honorary Professor, University of Auckland, New Zealand	<i>Coordinating Responses to the Challenge of Sea-Level Rise: Some Examples from the Pacific Region</i>
Ms. Snjolaug Arnadottir	Lecturer at Reykjavík University (Iceland)	<i>Stability or Instability of Maritime Limits</i>
Ms. Erica Lucero	Counsellor, Office of the Legal Adviser, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade & Worship (Argentina)	<i>Sea-level rise and international law</i>

Ms. Joanna Post	Programme Officer, Intergovernmental Support and Collective Progress Division, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	<u>International cooperation and coordination in addressing the impacts and challenges related to sea level rise: Efforts under the UNFCCC</u>
Mr. Kevin Horsburgh	Climate Science Lead, Green Climate Fund	<u>Sea level rise and climate financing for adaptation actions</u>
Mr. Paul Holthus	Founding President and CEO, World Ocean Council	<u>Port and Coastal Infrastructure Adaptation: Private Sector Collaboration to Advance Action, Investment and Nature-Based Solutions</u>

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Panellist	Affiliation	Presentation
Mr. Bogdan Aurescu Ms. Nilufer Oral	Professor, Public International Law, Faculty of Law, University of Bucharest and Member, United Nations International Law Commission Director, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore and Member, United Nations International Law Commission	<u>International Law Commission Study Group on Sea-level rise in relation to international law</u>
Mr. Vu Thanh Ca	Associate Professor, Principal Lecturer, Faculty of Environment, Ha Noi University of Natural Resources and Environment	<u>International Cooperation and Coordination for Adaptation to Sea Level Rise and Mitigation of Climate Change in the Coast of Viet Nam and East Asia</u>
Ms. Piera Tortora		<u>International development cooperation for a sustainable ocean economy and for addressing sea level rise: trends and opportunities</u>

	Coordinator of the Sustainable Ocean for All Initiative, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)	
Mr. Hide Sakaguchi	President, Ocean Policy Research Institute of The Sasakawa Peace Foundation	<u><i>International partnerships for capacity development and social innovation to mitigate the impacts and overcoming the challenges related to sea level rise</i></u>