

**CONFERENCES/MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING COURSES ATTENDED BY THE UNITED NATIONS
LEGAL COUNSEL OR A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DIVISION FOR OCEAN AFFAIRS AND THE LAW OF
THE SEA (DOALOS) TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE LEGAL REGIME IN THE UNITED NATIONS
CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA AND RELATED AGREEMENTS, AS WELL AS POLICY
DEVELOPMENTS IN OCEAN AFFAIRS AND THE LAW OF THE SEA AT THE UNITED NATIONS**

From 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026

**I. Workshops/briefings/training courses organized by DOALOS
(1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026)**

<i>Title of Meeting</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates</i>
<i>73 Training sessions for United Nations – Nippon Foundation SIDS Fellows</i>	New York, USA	4 Sep – 4 Dec 2024
<i>76 Training sessions for United Nations – Nippon Foundation Strategic Needs Fellows</i>	New York, USA	4 Sep – 20 Dec 2024
<i>Meeting of the Group of Experts of the third cycle of the Regular Process</i>	Malmö, Sweden	28 Jul- 6 Aug 2025
<i>Regional Workshop on the Law of the Sea and Ocean Governance for the wider Indian Ocean region</i>	Male, Maldives	20-25 September 2025
<i>National training and validation workshop on sustainable fisheries in support of the implementation of the Project of Assistance to Strengthen Participation in and Implementation of the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement</i>	Male, Maldives	23-23 September 2025
<i>Regional Workshop on the Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ Agreement) for African States on the coasts of the Indian Ocean, Gulf of Aden and Red Sea, and landlocked States in these regions, as well as States of the Benguela</i>	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	1-5 December 2025

<i>Organization and delivery of the National Workshop on the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement. The Workshop is being delivered in cooperation with, and hosted by, the Government of Ecuador</i>	Guayaquil, Ecuador	21-23 January 2026
<i>UNNF Alumni Meeting</i>	New York	8-10 December 2026
<i>National Workshop on the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement and related instruments for Comoros</i>	Moroni, Comoros	26-28 January 2026
<i>Regional Workshop on the BBNJ Agreement for Latin American and Caribbean States</i>	San Salvador, El Salvador	23-26 February 2026
<i>Training for Italy-AOSIS Fellows</i>	New York	16,17,19 March 2026
<i>Training for AOSIS fellows: The BBNJ Agreement</i>	New York	19 March 2026
<i>Meeting of the Alumni of the United Nations–Nippon Foundation Fellowship Programmes in conjunction with the 2026 Island States Ocean Summit</i>	Tokyo, Japan	1-5 June 2026
<i>Regional workshop to inform the scoping for the fourth World Ocean Assessment, including capacity-building components</i>	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	17-21 August 2026

II. Contributions to intergovernmental meetings on the legal regime in UNCLOS and related Agreements, as well as policy developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea by DOALOS (1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026)

<i>Title of Meeting</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates</i>
<i>52nd Session of the Joint Group of Experts on Scientific Aspects of Marine Environmental Protection (GESAMP)</i>	Paris, France	15-19 Sept 2025
<i>Second Meeting for the 9th Replenishment of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Trust Fund</i>	Virtual	7-9 October 2025
<i>63rd session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change</i>	Lima, Peru	27-30 October 2025
<i>United Nations Climate Change Conference (UNFCCC) thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 30); 20th session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP 20); 7th session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA 7); 63rd session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA 63); and the 63rd session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI 63).</i>	Belem, Brazil	10-21 November 2025
<i>G7 Future of the Seas and Oceans Initiatives (FSOI)</i>	Virtual	20 November 2025
<i>COP30 Virtual Ocean Pavilion Closing virtual event on Aligning the Ocean-Climate-Biodiversity Agenda to Maximize the Impact of Ocean-based Solutions to Climate Change organized by the Global Ocean Forum</i>	Virtual	20 November 2025
<i>20th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)</i>	Samarkand, Uzbekistan	24-28 November 2025
<i>Virtual meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on SDG Indicators (IAEG-SDGs)</i>	Virtual	26 November 2025

<i>Global Training and Experience-sharing Workshop on UN Fish Stocks Agreement</i>	Tokyo, Japan	8-11 December 2025
<i>Seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7)</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	8-12 December 2025
<i>CommOcean 2025 online conference</i>	Virtual	11 December 2025
<i>First meeting of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO Working Group on Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction</i>	Virtual	15 December 2025
<i>IOC BBNJ Working Group - First meeting of the Task Group on CHM</i>	Virtual	20 February 2026
<i>Second meeting of the IOC BBNJ Working Group</i>	Virtual	4 March 2026
<i>Third Meeting of the IOC BBNJ Working Group</i>	Virtual	21 May 2026
<i>2026 UNFCCC Ocean Climate Change dialogue</i>	Bonn, Germany	10-11 June 2026
<i>UN-GGIM Webinar: Ocean & Sea Governance: Why Marine Geospatial Information Matters</i>	Virtual	23 July 2026
<i>Twenty-eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice of the Convention on Biological Diversity</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	27 July – 1 August 2026
<i>Bureau of the Abidjan Convention</i>	Virtual	30 July 2026
<i>Panel session entitled “Policy and technical development at Land & Sea”, organized by the Working Group on Policy and Legal Frameworks, the Joint Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information, the Subcommittee on Geodesy, and the Expert Group on Land Administration Management of the UN-GGIM</i>	New York	4 August 2026
<i>High-Level Ministerial Event to launch the Atomic Technologies Licensed for Applications at Sea (ATLAS) initiative organized by IAEA</i>	Washington D.C.	26-27 August 2026

**III. Information provided by DOALOS on the legal regime in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and related Agreements, as well as policy developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea at the United Nations, at meetings/workshops/training courses organized by States, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, academia and others
(1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026)**

<i>Title of Meeting</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates</i>
<i>Guest Lecture Fisheries Laws and Policies in the Bay of Bengal Region</i>	Online	Saturdays September 2025
<i>International Union for Conservation of Nature/African Union workshop on the BBNJ Agreement</i>	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	3-5 September 2025
<i>ITLOS Workshop dedicated to African States</i>	Hamburg, Germany	7 - 12 September 2025
<i>Kiribati National Workshop on Ocean Law and Policy</i>	Virtual	15-19 September 2025
<i>Workshop on cross-sectoral interactions with deep-sea fisheries in areas beyond national jurisdiction</i>	Rome, Italy	24 - 26 September 2025
<i>32nd ABLOS Business Meeting and 12th ABLOS Conference on "Is UNCLOS fit for purpose in modern times?"</i>	Doha, Qatar	6-9 October 2025
<i>Briefing to students from The Fletcher School, Tufts University</i>	New York	8 October 2025
<i>Tonga National UNFSA Workshop</i>	Virtual	8 October 2025

<i>Informal briefing for the open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on the WHO Pandemic Agreement on “Other access and benefit sharing instruments and mechanisms”</i>	Virtual	8 October 2025
<i>UN-Portugal Ocean Fellowship - Capacity Building Program on Sustainable Ocean Governance and Blue Economy</i>	Lisbon, Portugal	20-21 October 2025
<i>ABILA - International Law Weekend 2025 Conference</i>	New York	23-25 October 2025
<i>Training on "Marine Data for Sustainable Development: FAIR, CARE, TRUST" (session on "Digital Ocean: Trusted Data for the Ocean We Want"), organized by Flanders Marine Institute (VLIZ) and EuroGOOS</i>	Virtual	24 October 2025
<i>Designing Next-Generation Science-Policy Interfaces: Models, challenges, and opportunities United Nations University Centre for Policy Research (UNU-CPR) with support from the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) of Germany and the British Academy</i>	New York	29 October 2025
<i>2025 Yeosu Academy of the Law of the Sea Program</i>	Yeosu Republic of Korea	29 October 2025
<i>Science-Policy Interfaces</i>	New York	30 October 2025
<i>Workshop on “Interactions between the International Seabed Authority and the BBNJ” co-hosted by ISA and PMs of the Republic of Fiji, Jamaica, the Republic of Malta and the Republic of Singapore</i>	New York	5 November 2025
<i>ABNJ Expert workshop on scientific and technical work conducted under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) relevant to marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction</i>	Bergen, Norway	2-5 December 2025
<i>Expert Workshop on the functionality of the batch identifier system under the BBNJ Agreement</i>	Leuven, Belgium	3-4 December 2025

<i>UNCTAD's e-training course on "Emerging issues at the interplay between trade and sustainable development"</i>	Virtual	17 December 2025
<i>Ratified! Now What?" Workshop: Preparing the Caribbean and Latin America for BBNJ Entry Into Force", organized by the High Seas Alliance</i>	Virtual	14 January 2026
<i>Session 2 of the intersessional dialogue for BBNJ Prep Com III on "Clearing-House Mechanism: The Interim Phase to COP1", organized by the High Seas Alliance</i>	Virtual	22 January 2026
<i>National Workshop on the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement (UNFSA)</i>	Moroni, Comoros (Hybrid)	26-29 January 2026
<i>Pacific Islands Regional BBNJ Legal Workshop (Workshop) for Pacific Island Forum Members, organized by the Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner</i>	Virtual	27 January 2026
<i>2026 IUCN High Seas Workshop on Area-Based Management Tools in Areas beyond National Jurisdiction in the context of the Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Biodiversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ Agreement)</i>	Gland, Switzerland	27-29 January 2026
<i>Workshop on Aligning the Implementation of the EU Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) Directive with the United Nations Ocean Governance Framework, organized by the European Commission DG MARE</i>	Virtual	28 January 2026
<i>ITLOS-Training Programme on Dispute Settlement under UNCLOS for the Nippon Foundation Programme 2025-2026</i>	Virtual	29 January 2026
<i>Presentation to the Early Career Ocean Professionals (ECOP) of the European Marine Board, as part of the ECOP Wednesday Series</i>	Virtual	4 February 2026
<i>Informal Intersessional BBNJ Dialogues Retreat organized by the International Center for Dialogue & Peacebuilding at Greentree</i>	Manhasset, Long Island, New York	5 February 2026

<i>Webinar "Where do we stand with the implementation of the DSI Multilateral Mechanism and Cali Fund? Taking stock of what remains to be done", organized by DSI Capacity Development Partnership, with financial support by Norway and EU</i>	Virtual	5 February 2026
<i>BBNJ Briefing for Recently Arrived UN Delegates, hosted by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand to the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, The Pew Charitable Trusts, and the High Seas Alliance</i>	New York	12 February 2026
<i>Suriname National Workshop on the BBNJ Agreement</i>	Virtual	18 February 2026
<i>Panel on ocean governance - focus on science-policy interface</i>	NYU School of Law	25 February 2026
<i>NYU Law School: Ocean Governance in a Changing World</i>	New York	4 March 2026
<i>Presentation to students from Case Western University on the BBNJ Agreement</i>	Virtual	6 March 2026
<i>Lecture to Cardiff University students on the United Nations and capacity-building - opportunities</i>	Virtual	10 March 2026
<i>Capacity-building session for children and youth in preparation of BBNJ Prep Com III and COP I</i>	Virtual	10 March 2026
<i>Third Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) Symposium</i>	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	10 – 12 March 2026
<i>Industry briefing session on recent developments relating to the access and benefit-sharing of genetic resources and digital sequence information, organized by the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations (IFPMA)</i>	Virtual	17 March 2026
<i>Presentation on reporting requirements under the BBNJ Agreement to Asia Retreat for BBNJ PrepCom3</i>	Virtual	13 March 2026

<i>Presentation to law students from Universidad San Francisco de Quito (Ecuador)</i>	Virtual	9 April 2026
<i>BBNJ Clinic Workshop "Supporting Indian Ocean and African SIDS and Coastal LDCs in the implementation of the BBNJ Agreement" (Organized by WMU-GOI)</i>	Virtual	22 April 2026
<i>Workshop on Environmental Assessments in a Transboundary Context in the Mediterranean Sea</i>	Athens, Greece	23-24 April 2026
<i>Session entitled "From treaty text to practice: Establishing the BBNJ Implementation", during the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law</i>	Washington D.C.	25 April 2026
<i>3rd. Edition UN-Portugal Ocean Fellowship - Capacity Building Program on Sustainable Ocean Governance and Blue Economy</i>	Portugal	17-22 May 2026
<i>Eighth International Symposium on scientific and Legal Aspects of the Regimes of the Continental Shelf and the Area</i>	Xiamen, China	25-26 May 2026
<i>Online dialogue workshop on the IPBES spatial planning and ecological connectivity assessment and second global assessment</i>	Virtual	26 May 2026
<i>2026 training workshop of the International Seabed Authority (ISA)- China Joint Training and Research Center on cumulative impact assessments</i>	Sanya, China	26 May-10 June 2026
<i>Asia-Pacific Region BBNJ Technical Workshop</i>	Seoul, ROK	28-29 May 2026
<i>Workshop on the Review of the BBNJ Agreement and Analysis of its Scope and Implications for Ecuador executed by the Global Green Growth Institute in coordination with the Ministry of Environment and Energy.</i>	Virtual	29 May 2026

<i>High-Level Conference “Navigating the Regional Fisheries Management Organizations-BBNJ Interface – Dialogue on Cooperation and Coherence”</i>	Brussels, Belgium	2 June 2026
<i>International seminar on the implications of the BBNJ Agreement for sustainable fisheries</i>	Shanghai, China	8-9 June 2026
<i>Peace Boat Ocean Gala</i>	New York	10 June 2026
<i>Fifth meeting of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative Global Dialogue with Regional Seas Organizations and Regional Fishery Bodies</i>	Seoul, Rep of Korea	30 June-3 July 2026
<i>Regional Technical Workshop on Introduction from the Sea for Southeast Asian and East Asian countries</i>	Virtual	4-7 August 2026