

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 2023 to 31 August 2024

**I. Workshops/briefings/training courses organized by DOALOS
(1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024)**

<i>Title of Meeting</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates</i>
<i>Regional Workshop on ocean affairs and the law of the sea and meetings on Cameroon’s Ocean Governance Study under the UN-Norad Project</i>	Yaoundé, Cameroon	9-13 Oct 2023
<i>Briefing on ocean affairs and the law of the sea for delegates organized by DOALOS and UNITAR</i>	New York	31 October 2023
<i>Online briefing to provide an overview of the BBNJ Agreement</i>	virtual	6 Nov 2023 7 Dec 2023 18 Jan 2024
<i>International Symposium of the UN Regular Process on strengthening the ocean science-policy interface organized by DOALOS in collaboration with IOC-UNESCO</i>	Paris, France	12-13 December 2023
<i>Regional ASEAN-United Nations Training Workshop on the Law of the Sea under UN-Norad Project</i>	Bali, Indonesia	12-15 December 2023
<i>Briefing on BBNJ to the UNEP Committee of Permanent Representatives</i>	virtual	14 December 2023

<i>Ocean Futures Scenarios and Pathways workshop hosted by the German Marine Research Consortium, German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Waste and Consumer Protection</i>	Berlin, Germany	14-15 December 2023
<i>Side Event “Leveraging the BBNJ Agreement in support of resilient prosperity in SIDS” at the first Preparatory Committee meeting of the Fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4)</i>	New York	25 January 2024
<i>Coral Reefs of the High Seas Coalition side event on the margins of the 12th SPRFMO meeting</i>	Manta Ecuador	29 Jan-2 Feb 2024
<i>Side Event “<u>The BBNJ Agreement and its Linkages with the CMS</u>”, at the fourteenth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS COP14)</i>	Samarkand, Uzbekistan,	15 February 2024
<i>Meeting of the Coordinating Authors of the third World Ocean Assessment (WOA III) and the Meeting of the Group of Experts of the UN Regular Process</i>	Lisbon, Portugal	19-22 February 2024
<i>Side Event “<u>Stepping Together Toward Ratification and Implementation of the BBNJ Agreement,</u>” Multilateral Environmental Agreement day (MEA) side event at the sixth Session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6)</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	28 February 2024
<i>BBNJ Deep Dive series: Marine genetic resources (MGRs), including the fair and equitable sharing of benefits, under the BBNJ Agreement</i>	virtual	6 March 2024 7 March 2024 12 March 2024
<i>Briefing on ocean affairs and the law of the sea for delegates organized by DOALOS and UNITAR</i>	New York	22 March 2024
<i>BBNJ Deep Dive series: Measures such as area-based management tools (ABMTs), including marine protected areas (MPAs), under the BBNJ Agreement</i>	virtual	2 April 2024 4 April 2024 9 April 2024
<i>Satellite Event during the 2024 Ocean Decade Conference on “Advancing the United Nations World Ocean Assessment: Supporting Future Ocean Sustainability and Informing Decision Making and Ocean Policy”</i>	Barcelona, Spain	10 April 2024

<i>Satellite Event during the 2024 Ocean Decade Conference on “the BBNJ Agreement and its linkages with the Ocean Decade”</i>	Barcelona, Spain	12 April 2024
<i>Workshop hosted by the Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) on Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Ocean Governance and Sustainable Ocean-based Economies under UN-Norad Project</i>	Brussels, Belgium	29-30 April 2024
<i>BBNJ Deep Dive series: Environment impact assessments (EIAs) under the BBNJ Agreement</i>	virtual	7 May 2024 8 May 2024 9 May 2024
<i>Briefing on UNFSA and sustainable fisheries for delegates organized by DOALOS and UNITAR</i>	New York	9 May 2024
<i>Side event “Toward living in harmony with the ocean from coasts to areas beyond national jurisdiction: Synergies between the BBNJ Agreement and the work under the CBD” at the twenty-sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-26) of the Convention on Biological Diversity</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	13 May 2024
<i>2024 Alumni Meeting of the UN-Nippon Foundation Fellowship</i>	Antigua and Barbuda	27-30 May 2024
<i>Side Event “<u>Leveraging UNCLOS and the BBNJ Agreement in support of resilient prosperity in SIDS,</u>” at the fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4)</i>	St John's, Antigua and Barbuda,	28 May 2024
<i>BBNJ Deep Dive series: Cross-cutting issues (CCIs) under the BBNJ Agreement</i>	virtual	4 June 2024 5 June 2024 6 June 2024
<i>Side Event “<u>DOALOS activities to promote a better understanding of the BBNJ Agreement and prepare for its entry into force, as well as GEF enabling activities and ratification support,</u>” information session on the margins of the organizational meeting of the Preparatory Commission for the Entry into Force of the BBNJ Agreement and the Convening of the First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Agreement, 24-26 June 2024</i>	New York, USA	25 June

<i>Side event on the margins of SIOFA MoP11 on the importance of the full and effective implementation of UNFSA for members of regional fisheries management organizations and arrangements as well as an overview of the New Agreement under UNCLOS on BBNJ</i>	Seoul, Rep of Korea	1-5 July 2024
<i>Side event on synergies between fisheries instruments and the Agreement under UNCLOS on BBNJ at the margins of COFI-36</i>	Rome, Italy	10 July 2024
<i>Workshop on Ocean Governance and Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction – BBNJ Agreement, hosted by the Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner and the UN-Norad Project</i>	Suva, Fiji	3-11 July 2024
<i>BBNJ Deep Dive series: Capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology (CB&TMT) under the BBNJ Agreement</i>	virtual	16 July 2024 17 July 2024 18 July 2024
<i>Meeting in support of the development of the chapter on “Indigenous, Traditional owner and Local community Knowledge” of the third UN World Ocean Assessment (WOA III), organized by DOALOS in collaboration with IOC-UNESCO</i>	Paris, France	26-28 August 2024
<i>Meeting of the Coordinating Authors of the third World Ocean Assessment (WOA III)</i>	virtual	18-20 September 2024
<i>Meeting of the Group of Experts of the UN Regular Process</i>	Tokyo, Japan	13-19 November 2024

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 2023 to 31 August 2024)

Title of Meeting	Location	Dates
<i>28th Annual Meeting of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT) & Side event on UNFSA and BBNJ</i>	New Cairo, Egypt	15-19 Nov 2023
<i>Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) regional BBNJ meeting</i>	virtual	20-22 November 2023
<i>Twenty-third Global Meeting of the Regional Seas Programme organized by UNEP</i>	Barbados	20-23 November 2023
<i>First session of the FAO Subcommittee on Fisheries Management</i>	virtual	15-18 January 2024
<i>12th Annual Meeting of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organization (SPRFMO) and side event on UNFSA and BBNJ</i>	Manta, Ecuador	29 Jan – 2 Feb 2024
<i>Preparatory Meeting for the Third United Nations Conference on LLDCs</i>	Tarrytown, New York	1-2 February 2024
<i>14th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals</i>	Samarkand, Uzbekistan	12-17 Feb 2024
<i>Sixth Session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6)</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	26 February – 1 March 2024

<i>9th Our Ocean Conference 2024</i>	Athens, Greece	16-17 April 2024
<i>Twenty-sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-26) of the Convention on Biological Diversity</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	13-18 May 2024
<i>4th International Conference on Small Island Developing States</i>	St. John, Antigua and Barbuda	27-30 May 2024
<i>United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global Training Session for the Montevideo Programme Focal Points on the Agreement under UNCLOS on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	6 June 2024
<i>2024 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Ocean and Climate Change Dialogue</i>	Bonn, Germany	11-12 June 2024
<i>11th Meeting of the Parties of the Southern Indian Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA MoP11)</i>	Seoul, Republic of Korea	1-5 July 2024
<i>Thirty-sixth session of the Committee on Fisheries of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations</i>	Rome, Italy	8-12 July 2024
<i>29th session of the International Seabed Authority</i>	Kingston, Jamaica	22-29 July 2024
<i>Sixty-first session of the Intergovernmental panel on Climate Change (IPCC-61)</i>	Sofia, Bulgaria	27 July- 2 August 2024

**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 2023 to 31 August 2024)**

<i>Title of Meeting</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates</i>
<i>PROBLUE Ocean Governance Capacity Building Training Programme for the Indian Ocean Region</i>	virtual	13-14, 18-21, 25-26 September 2023
<i>Panel on Gender-transformative approaches to environmental protection: women, girls and the ocean, organized by the Global Network for Human Rights and the Environment and UNEP</i>	virtual	14 September 2023
<i>50th Annual Session of the Joint Group of Experts on the Scientific Aspects of marine Environmental protection (GESAMP)</i>	virtual	18-22 September 2023
<i>Global Conference of the EU Funded Project Ocean Governance organized by the European Commission</i>	Tarragona, Spain	20-22 September 2023
<i>High Seas Treaty Panel of the United Nations Association San Francisco Chapter</i>	virtual	30 September 2023
<i>European Law Student's Association Alumni (ELSA) Conference in Porto, Portugal</i>	virtual	5-8 October 2023
<i>High Seas Treaty Symposium at the University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom entitled "The High Seas Treaty-From negotiation to implementation"</i>	virtual	6-7 October 2023
<i>Webinar Sustainable Ocean Governance and the energy Sector: Legal and Policy Developments, organized by UNEP in collaboration with the Government of Norway</i>	virtual	10 October 2023
<i>Technical Dialogue The High Seas Treaty: Content and Opportunities for the Western Indian Ocean Region</i>	virtual	11 October 2023

<i>2023 YEOSU Academy organized by the Korean Maritime Institute under the auspices of the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of Korea</i>	virtual	1 and 2 Nov 2023
<i>Keynote Speech on the BBNJ Agreement under UNCLOS</i>	New York	6 November 2023
<i>Regional Training Course on UNCLOS organized by the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center</i>	virtual	6-9 Nov 2023 [8 Nov]
<i>International Symposium organized by IAEA on the deployment of Nuclear Floating Power Plants</i>	Vienna, Austria	14-15 November 2023
<i>Presentation to the University of Rhode Island, Department of Marine Affairs</i>	Rhode Island	15 November 2023
<i>Southeast Asia capacity-building workshop on the BBNJ Agreement, organized by the High Seas Alliance in cooperation with the Government of the Philippines</i>	Makati, Philippines	15-17 November 2023
<i>CBD Legal expert workshop to review modalities for modifying the description of ecologically or biologically significant marine areas and describing new areas</i>	Oslo, Norway	23-27 Nov 2023
<i>Remarks on the BBNJ Agreement at the Université de Nantes, France</i>	virtual	5 December 2023
<i>COP28 Virtual Ocean Pavilion closing event organized by the Global Ocean Forum</i>	virtual	12 December 2023
<i>Monthly Intersessional work of the Informal Advisory Group (IAG) on Benefit-sharing from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources organized by the CBD before the meeting in August 2024</i>	virtual	Dec 2023-Aug 2024
<i>UNODC Meeting of Legal Experts in Maritime Security organized by UNODC</i>	Japan	24-26 January 2024

<i>ITLOS – NIPPON Foundation Capacity-Building and Training Programme 2023-2024</i>	virtual	9 February 2024
<i>Workshop for East African Countries</i>	Djibouti	13-15 February 2024
<i>Forum on Fisheries Science in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea, organized by the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean</i>	Antalya, Türkiye	19-23 February 2024
<i>Briefing on ocean affairs and the law of the sea to students from the University of Maine School of Law</i>	virtual	21 February 2024
<i>Side event “Raising ambition for the conservation and sustainable use of the Ocean and Seas by 2030 by accelerating action at global regional and national levels on biodiversity, pollution and climate change” during the Sixth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-6)</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	1 March 2024
<i>Introductory lecture on the law of the sea to students from Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador</i>	virtual	12 March 2024
<i>International ocean governance- Sustainable Ocean Initiative (SOI) Global Dialogue with Regional Seas Organizations and Regional Fishery Bodies, organized by the Secretariat of the CBD and hosted by Member of European Parliament</i>	virtual	20 March 2024
<i>Briefing on the BBNJ Agreement to students from Case Western Reserve University in Ohio</i>	virtual	25 March 2024
<i>Workshop on governance of high seas marine protected areas organized by the Institut du développement durable et des relations internationales (IDDRI)</i>	virtual	27 March 2024
<i>United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) meeting of Legal Experts on Maritime Security</i>	Tokyo, Japan	5-7 April 2024
<i>2024 Ocean Decade Conference co-organized by the Gov. of Spain and IOC-UNESCO</i>	Barcelona, Spain	10-12 April 2024

<i>Workshop on the implementation of the BBNJ Agreement – Marine genetic resources</i>	Nice, France	10-12 April 2024
<i>CARICOM workshop on the BBNJ Agreement organized by CARICOM</i>	Miami, USA	11-12 April 2024
<i>CITES technical workshop on Non-detriment findings for specimens of Appendix-II species taken from areas beyond national jurisdiction</i>	virtual	25-26 April 2024
<i>BBNJ Agreement Workshop for Arab countries organized by the High Seas Alliance in cooperation with the Government of Jordan</i>	Amman, Jordan	28-29 April 2024
<i>Informal expert group on the Compliance Agreement organized by FAO</i>	Paris, France	29-30 April 2024
<i>Capacity Building Workshop on Caribbean SIDS baselines, limits and boundaries. Organized by the Commonwealth of the Bahamas and the Kingdom of Denmark</i>	Nassau, Bahamas	7-9 May 2024
<i>PROBLUE Ocean Governance Capacity Building Training Programme for Latin America and the Caribbean</i>	virtual	8-9, 13-14, 20-21 May 2024
<i>Workshop on the BBNJ Agreement for Lusophone countries, organized by the Government of Portugal and the Oceano Azul Foundation</i>	Lisbon, Portugal	13-15 May 2024
<i>Side event “Implementing the GBF in the Ocean: the Sustainable Ocean Initiatives and other key initiatives to address capacity needs for marine and coastal biodiversity” at the twenty-sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA-26) of the Convention on Biological Diversity</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	15 May 2024
<i>National Workshop on the Implementation of the Agreement under UNCLOS on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction, organized by the Government of Fiji and the Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner</i>	virtual	14-16 May 2024
<i>Briefing on the BBNJ Agreement for member States of the Eastern Tropical Pacific Marine Corridor organized by the MoFA of Panama</i>	Panama	16 May 2024

<i>Informal Discussions organized by the CBD Secretariat on digital sequence information on genetic resources</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	19 May 2024
<i>Webinar “Ocean Dialogue: The High Seas Treaty Accelerating progress towards ratification and implementation: the role of G20” organized by the High Seas Alliance and Ilhas do Rio Project</i>	virtual	23 May 2024
<i>Round Table during the Vendée Liberty Event on the topic “Preserving the Ocean in Offshore Racing: It takes a Team”</i>	New York	24 May 2024
<i>Technical Workshop on the Agreement under UNCLOS on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction and its implications for relevant instruments, frameworks and bodies, including FAO</i>	Rome, Italy	27-28 May 2024
<i>International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance</i>	virtual	28 May 2024
<i>Blue Generation workshop on ocean governance and the blue economy</i>	New York	2 June 2024
<i>United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Regional workshop to mark the international day against illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing</i>	virtual	5 June 2024
<i>Seventh International Symposium on Scientific and Legal Aspects of the Regimes of the Continental Shelf and the Area, organized by the China Institute for Marine Affairs and Second Institute of Oceanography, China Deep Ocean Affairs Administration and the Ministry of Natural Resources and MoFA of China</i>	Qingdao, China	5-6 June 2024
<i>Second Meeting of the Network of Legal Officers of UNEP and the Secretariats of Multilateral Environmental Agreements</i>	Nairobi, Kenya	7 June 2024
<i>High Level Event on Ocean Action: “Immersed in Change”, organized by the Government of Costa Rica</i>	San Jose, Costa Rica	7-8 June 2024
<i>Fourth Meeting of the Sustainable Ocean Initiative Global Dialogue with Regional Seas Organizations and Regional Fishery Bodies</i>	Seoul, Republic of Korea	11-14 June 2024

<i>10th Meeting of the Regional Fishery Body Secretariat's Network (RSN-10)</i>	Rome, Italy	5-6, 12 July 2024
<i>Briefing on the BBNJ Agreement for Guatemala government officials convened by the Asociación Interamericana para la Defensa del Ambiente (AIDA) and the Ministry of Environment of Guatemala</i>	Guatemala	16 July 2024
<i>Side event "The contribution of ISA to the Objectives of the 2023 Agreement for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction" at the 29th session of the International Seabed Authority</i>	Kingston, Jamaica	29 July 2024
<i>National Workshop on implementation of the Agreement under UNCLOS on the Conservation and Sustainable use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction organized by the Government of the Solomon Islands and the Office of the Pacific Oceans Commissioner</i>	virtual	30-31 July 2024
<i>Workshop on the BBNJ Agreement for the Core Latin American Group organized by the Government of Chile, the High Seas Alliance and the Interamerican Association for Environmental Defense</i>	virtual	20-21 August 2024
<i>Workshop on the BBNJ Agreement for South Asian States, organized by the High Seas Alliance in cooperation with the Bay of Bengal LME Programme</i>	Chennai, India	27-28 August 2024