



# WORKSHOP ON BBNJ FOR CPLP COUNTRIES

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

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**LISBON, PORTUGAL  
13-15 MAY 2024**

## PROGRAM



Venue: Lisbon Oceanarium  
Esplanada Dom Carlos, 1990-005 Lisbon

## Capacity Building Workshop on BBNJ for CPLP Countries 13-15 May 2024

### Monday, May 13

9:00-9:15	<b>Registration</b>
9:15-10:15	<b>Opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• President of the Oceano Azul Foundation – José Soares dos Santos</li><li>• Presidency of CPLP – Permanent Representative of Sao Tome and Principe - Mr. Esterline Gonçalves Género</li><li>• Executive Secretary of CPLP - Mr. Zacarias da Costa</li><li>• Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation - Mr. Nuno Sampaio</li></ul>
10:15 -10:30	The importance of the BBNJ Agreement for CPLP countries, at the international and regional level - role in ocean governance and for the fulfillment of the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular the SDG14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr. Hércules Cruz, Director of Legal Affairs and Treaties – Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cape Verde</li><li>• Mr. Tiago Pitta e Cunha, CEO of the Oceano Azul Foundation</li></ul>
10:30-10:45	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>Session I</b>	<b>The main provisions of the BBNJ Agreement</b>
	Moderator: Ms. Maitê Schmitz – Head of the Sea, Antarctica, and Space Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil
10:45-11:30	General presentation of the Agreement, background, structure, and relation to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. Amber Maggio - <i>Division of Oceans Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS)</i></li></ul>
11:30 -12:30	Marine Genetic Resources including Access and Benefit Sharing <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr. Rodrigo Barenho – Mission of Brazil to the United Nations</li></ul>
12:30-14:00	<b>Lunch – Oceanarium Restaurant</b>
14:00-15:15	Area-based management tools, including marine protected areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. Carla Grafino - Head of the Sea and Environment Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Portugal</li></ul>
15:15-15:45	Traditional knowledge in the BBNJ Agreement

- Ms. Marina Caldeira - *fellow do Ocean Voices Programme/ Nippon Foundation*

**15:45-16:00**

**Coffee break**

16:00-17:00

Environmental Impact Assessment

- Ms. Peggy Kalas – International Ocean Policy Advisor, Oceano Azul Foundation

17:00-18:00

Cross-cutting issues: objectives, general principles, institutions, funding

- Mr. Mateus Kowalski – Director of Public International Law Department, – Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Portugal

**19:00**

**Dinner – Restaurant “Pateo”**

**Tuesday, May 14**

**9:00**

**Session II**

Procedures for **ratification and entry into force**

- Moderator: Mr. Vasco Becker-Weinberg - President of the Portuguese Institute for the Law of the Sea (IPDM)

9:00-10:00

The procedures for the ratification and entry into force of the BBNJ Agreement

- Mr. Vasco Becker-Weinberg - President of the Portuguese Institute for the Law of the Sea (IPDM)

10:00-11:00

Technical and legal support for the ratification of the Agreement

- Ms. Amber Maggio – DOALOS

**11:00-11:15**

**Coffee break**

11:15-12:45

The importance of the first COP – preparatory process and decisions to be adopted

- Mr. Sérgio Carvalho – Legal Advisor of the Portuguese Mission to the United Nations

**12:45-13:45**

**Lunch – Oceanarium Restaurant**

- 14:00-15:00 The legislative requirements for the ratification of the BBNJ Agreement – a practical perspective of the ratification and entry into force of the BBNJ Agreement
- Ms. Janine Coyo-Felson - Deputy Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations – [remote participation]
- 15:00-15:30 The UN Signature/Ratification/Deposit Procedures
- Mr. Arancha Hinojal Oyarbide - *Head of the Depositary and Registration Units* - UN - remote participation
- 15:30-15:45 Coffee break**
- Session III Capacity building in the BBNJ Agreement – a cross-cutting vision and support for its ratification**
- 15:45 – 17:00 Capacity building in the BBNJ Agreement - a cross-cutting view
- Julia Veiga – Researcher - NOVA IPSI Knowledge Centre. Visiting Fellow - Ocean Voices Programme
- 17:00-18:00 Support for capacity building, including funding for the ratification and entry into force of the BBNJ Agreement
- Mr. Andrew Hume – Global Environmental Facility (GEF)
  - Ms. Veronika Frank – Bloomberg Foundation
- 19:00 Dinner – Restaurant “La Mafia”**

### Wednesday, May 15

**9:00**

**Session IV Cooperation between CPLP countries in the context of the BBNJ**

- 9:00-10:00 Possible areas of cooperation between CPLP countries
- Mr. Manuel Clarote Lapão, Director of Cooperation - Executive Secretariat of CPLP
- 10:00-11:00 General questions and next steps
- 11:00-11:15 Coffee break**
- 11:15-11:45 **Closure**
- President of the BBNJ Intergovernmental Conference - Ms. Rena Lee (recorded message)
  - Former President of the CPLP- Permanent Representative of Angola - Mr. Oliveira Encoge

- Secretary of State for the Sea - Ms. Lídia Bulcão (TBC)

11:45-13:00

**Visit to the Oceanarium**

**13:00**

**Lunch – Oceanarium Restaurant**