

Conference

## International Ocean Governance

### *An agenda for the future of our oceans*

30 January 2017, 15.00-17.00

European Parliament – Room ASP5G1

#### Welcome Addresses

Ms **Gesine MEISSNER**, MEP, President of the Intergroup

Mr **Karmenu VELLA**, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

#### Statements from Members of the European Parliament

Mr **José Inácio FARIA**, MEP, Member of the Intergroup

Mr **Tonino PICULA**, MEP, Vice-President of the Intergroup

#### Presentations on the 3 priorities areas of the OG communication

Moderator: **Sofia RIBEIRO**, Vice-President of the Intergroup (tbc)

Presentation on priority n°1: "improving the IOG framework"

Mr **Alexander MÜLLER**, Think Tank TMG

Presentation on priority n°2: "reducing pressure on oceans and seas and creating: the conditions for a sustainable blue economy"

Mrs **Geneviève PONS-DELADRIÈRE**, WWF

Presentation on priority n°3: "strengthening international ocean research and data"

Prof. **Luis MENEZES PINHEIRO**, University of Aveiro

#### Discussion with speakers and participating experts (see the list of experts on page 2)

Moderator: MEP, **Ricardo SERRAO SANTOS**, Vice-President of the Intergroup

#### Conclusive remarks

Mrs. **Gesine MEISSNER**

*The day of the conference, Participants are kindly requested to present themselves at **14.30** onwards, in order to avoid delays – Registration to the entrance of the European Parliament at **the Info Point**.*

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## Participating experts

Mrs **Katherine ANGELL-HANSEN**, JPI Oceans

Mr **Julian BARBIÈRE**, Head, Marine Policy and Regional Coordination Section Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO

Mr **Rui BETTENCOURT**, Secretary of the Presidency for External Affairs, Government of the Azores

Mr **Ulf BJORNHOLM**, UN Environment

Mrs **Maria DELIGIANNI**, ECSA - Senior Policy Advisor - Maritime Safety, Environment and Offshore

Mrs **Ann DOM**, Deputy Director, Seas At Risk

Mrs **Dina EPARKHINA**, EuroGOOS - European Global Ocean Observing System

Mr **Jan-Stefan FRITZ**, Head of Brussels Office, KDM

Mr **Julian JACKSON**, The Pew Charitable Trusts

Mr **Niall McDONOUGH**, Executive Secretary, European Marine Board

Mrs **Maija SIROLA**, BONUS, the joint Baltic Sea research and development programme

Mr **Christophe TYTGAT**, Secretary General, SeaEurope

Mr **Daniel VOCES**, Acting Managing Director, Europêche