



SIDE EVENT AGENDA

Making High Seas Protection Happen: BBNJ Treaty Action for equitable access and benefit sharing.

April 17th, 2024, 9:00 am, Multifunctional Room 2 Round Table Events

Lead: International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and InterAmerican Association for Environmental

Defense (AIDA)

Co-organizers: Government of Palau, Costa Rica, and Chile

The side event aims to show how governments can use the leadership of ocean states, new technology, and the finance provisions of the BBNJ treaty to address biodiversity and marine ecosystem challenges at scale. The panel will also highlight the role of the BBNJ Agreement as a new paradigm in global access, benefit-sharing, and capacity building, including the case of the Latin American region and its key role as ongoing champions in ocean protection.





Chairperson/Facilitator of the side event: Minna Epps, IUCN Global Ocean

Time (from-to)	Title of intervention/presentation Name, Affiliation
9:00 – 9:03	Opening remarks on the BBNJ Treaty
	Minna Epps, IUCN Global Ocean
9:03 – 9:10	Palau's intervention
	H.E. Ilana Seid, Permanent Representative of Palau to the United Nations
9:10 – 9:17	Costa Rica's intervention H.E. Gina Guillén-Grillo, Director General for Foreign Policy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica
9:17 – 9:24	Chile's intervention Julio Cordano, Director of Environment, Climate Change and Ocean at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile
9:24 – 9:31	Torsten Thiele, Founder of Global Ocean Trust



9:31 – 9:38	Diego Lillo, Ocean coordinator, InterAmerican Association for Environmental Defense (AIDA)
9:38 – 9:48	Q&A
9:48 – 9:50	Closing remarks Minna Epps, IUCN Global Ocean