

LME22

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22nd ANNUAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEMS AND COASTAL PARTNERS (LME22)

UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, FRANCE

Concept Note & Draft Detailed Agenda

Goal of the meeting

The Consultation Meeting on Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs) and Coastal Partners contributes to the development of the LME Partnerships by engaging marine, coastal management, biodiversity and coastal climate change adaptation project leaders. It provides a global forum for Global Environment Facility (GEF)-funded and other marine and coastal practitioners, organizations and institutions, including Regional Seas organisations and Fisheries Management Organizations, government representatives, international and national NGOs, regional and local community leaders, aimed at sharing experiences and lessons with respect to the ecosystem-based management (EBM) of LMEs and ocean governance.

Overarching objectives

- To promote collaboration among LMEs, Regional Seas Programmes (RSPs) and Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs), Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ) and River Basin Organizations (RBOs) in pursuance of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular the SDG14;
- To foster a mutually supportive global network of leaders and institutions engaged in marine and coastal ecosystem-based management, including LMEs, integrated coastal management (ICM), marine protected areas (MPA), marine spatial planning (MSP), sustainable blue economy (SBE), sustainable ocean plans (SOPs), Source-to-Sea management (S2S) and others, for discussing experiences and lessons learned;
- To mobilize knowledge resources, new scientific applications and tools to support the implementation of LME and marine projects, and organizational action related to priority knowledge topics;
- To mobilize partners to enhance the LME community's efforts towards implementation of Strategic Action Plans (SAPs) as well as implementation of the Agenda 2030's SDG14 targets.

Specific objectives of the LME22 Meeting

- To reconnect LMEs and Coastal Partners after the LME21 meeting in 2019, to discuss progress, new challenges and opportunities that arose in the meantime;
- To further enhance LME process and partnerships;
- To review marine and coastal projects progress in regions, disseminating best practices, and discussing emerging issues requiring common responses;
- To consider recent ocean governance developments (e.g. Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ), Convention for Biological Diversity (CBD) & Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF), United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) etc.) and their implications for the LME partnerships;
- To advise on the further improvement of the TDA/SAP process for LMEs and its revisiting;
- To promote S2S collaboration by facilitating the participation of RBOs with the aim to strengthen the integrated management of transboundary marine and freshwater ecosystems;
- To assess the impact produced by the GEF International Waters (IW) portfolio in advancing the sustainable management of LMEs after 25 years of investments;
- To consolidate input to the Tenth International Waters Conference (IWC10) on sessions related to marine and coastal issues, the signature event of the GEF IW portfolio to be held in November 2023 in Uruguay;
- To revisit, update, and help implement the LME Community Medium Term Framework Strategy as well as contribute to the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development.

Expected Outputs

- Agenda topics and dates of the 23rd LME Consultation meeting in 2024
- Input to the IWC10 in October 2023
- Advancement on the medium-term framework strategy and engagement in global and regional ocean governance processes
- Proposal for the GEF Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) to assess the LME approach promoted by IW
- Definition of outreach activities for the coming year

Proposed set-up

The three-day meeting will take place at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. It will gather ~ 70 participants representing the GEF implementing and executing agencies, regional organizations, NGOs, national representatives familiar with IW projects, other partners and practitioners from LMEs and adjacent river basins. Whenever possible, sessions will highlight examples of integrated approaches implemented at the regional level, with a focus on Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) regions.

The proposed set-up will include presentations, facilitated panel discussions, interactive sessions and break-out working groups. The break-out groups will build on the presentations and discussions of the preceding two or three sessions. They are one-hour long, split into two 30-minutes sessions each. Participants can choose to join two out of the three break-out groups (i.e. rotate after 30 minutes).

Participation is by invitation.

Enclosed documents

- [LME21 summary report](#)
- [Draft LME Community Medium Term Framework Strategy](#)

Agenda-at-a-glance

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	11-Jul-23	12-Jul-23	13-Jul-23
09.30-10.00	Session 1 – Opening (+ 🎤)	Session 4 - Revisiting the TDA/SAP process (+ 🎤)	Session 7 – ABNJ developments and the potential role of LMEs
10.00-10.30			Session 8 - Maximizing synergies with other processes, initiatives and ambitions (+ 🎤)
10.30-11.00	Session 2 - LME Implementation progress and advancement of EBM	Session 5 - Fostering private sector engagement & innovative financing	Break-out session C
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12.30-13.00	LUNCH BREAK	LUNCH BREAK	LUNCH BREAK
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14.00-14.30	Session 3 - Science for EBM of LMEs (+ 🎤)	Session 6 - Strengthened Source-to-Sea collaboration (+ 🎤)	Reporting break-out session 3
14.30-15.00			Session 9 – Knowledge management, communication & outreach (+ 🎤)
15.00-15.30			
15.30-16.00			
16.00-16.30	Break-out session A	Break-out session B	Session 10 - LME Community Medium Term Framework Strategy
16.30-16.45			Session 11 – Closing session
16.45-17.00			
17.00-17.30	Reporting and wrap-up Day 1	Reporting and wrap-up Day 2	
17.45-19.00	Cocktail (7 th floor) 🍸		

Day 1: Tuesday 11 July 2023

Session 1 – Opening session

Session chair: Vladimir Ryabinin (IOC/UNESCO)

Rapporteur: Konstantina Toli (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)

Objectives of Session: *This session will open the meeting, welcome the participants and set the scene for the subsequent sessions and discussions.*

Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
09.30-09.40	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome	Vladimir Ryabinin (IOC/UNESCO) Leah Karrer (GEFSec) Vladimir Mamaev (UNDP) Nancy Soi (UNEP)	Plenary, individual addresses
09.40-09.55	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key developments since LME21 meeting in 2019	Julian Barbière (IOC/UNESCO)	Plenary, presentation
09.55-10.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Briefing from Global Environment Facility (GEF-8 and GEF-9)	Leah Karrer (GEFSec)	Plenary, presentation
10.10-10.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Structure and objectives of LME22 meeting	Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)	Plenary, presentation

Coffee break (10.15-10.30)

Session 2 – LME Implementation progress and advancement of EBM

Session chair: Vladimir Mamaev (UNDP)

Rapporteur: Malek Ameri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)

Objectives of Session *This session will elaborate on the progress in the LME implementation by focusing on challenges, new developments, products, achievements and opportunities. It will showcase examples of innovation, integrated management approaches and partnerships.*

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<p>10.30-12.20</p>	<p><u>Innovation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9605 Building Partnerships to Assist Developing Countries Minimize the Impacts from Aquatic Biofouling (GloPartnerships) • 10375 Blue Nature Alliance to expand and improve conservation of 1.25 billion hectares of ocean ecosystems <p><u>Integrated management approaches</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10560 Fisheries and Ecosystem Based Management for the Blue Economy of the Mediterranean - (FishEBM MED) & 10558 Fisheries and Ecosystem Based Management for the Black Sea - (FishEBM BS) • 10076 Towards Joint Integrated, Ecosystem-based Management of the Pacific Central American Coastal Large Marine Ecosystem (PACA) • Supporting the global implementation of international marine/maritime spatial planning guidelines (MSPglobal 2.0) <p><u>Partnerships</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10800 Protecting and Restoring the Ocean's natural 	<p>Lilia Khodjet El Khil (IMO)</p> <p>Free De Koning (CI)</p> <p>Anna Carlson (FAO)</p> <p>Alejandro Arrivillaga (WWF)</p> <p>Michele Quesada (IOC/UNESCO)</p> <p>Patrick Debels (UNOPS)</p>	<p>Panel, interventions from the floor, moderated by the session chair</p> <p>(4 min ppt + 10 mins panel)</p> <p>Other project interventions – oral 10 mins</p>
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	<p>Capital, building Resilience and supporting region-wide Investments for sustainable Blue socio-Economic development (PROCARIBE+)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mediterranean Sea Programme: Enhancing Environmental Security (MedProgramme) 	Olfat Hamdan (MedProgramme - UNEP/MAP)	
12.15-12.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean and Healthy Ocean IP • Plastics IP • Blue & Green Islands IP 	Lorenzo Galbiati (FAO) Ran Xie (UNEP) Adnan Awad (UNDP)	Plenary, presentation (5 min each, incl. Q&A)
LUNCH BREAK (12.30-14.00)			
Session 3 – Science for EBM of LMEs			
Session chair: Julian Barbière (IOC/UNESCO)			
Rapporteur: Niccolo Bassan (IOC/UNESCO)			
<p>Objectives of Session: <i>This session will highlight scientific advances and innovations as the basis of EBM and the uptake of science by LMEs. This will include transformative ocean science delivered to date through the UN Ocean Decade for Ocean Science and other scientific programs to make the EBM approach more operational and solution-oriented, and increase the impact on the ground. The focus will be on the use of most up-to-date science and data for informing the process, and the identification of modalities to apply science-based ecosystem approaches at the regional level to make policy decisions towards achieving EBM.</i></p>			
Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
14.00-14.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) in the uptake of science in GEF LME projects 	Blake Ratner (STAP, online)	Plenary, presentation (15 min, incl. Q&A)
14.15-14.55	<p><u>From data to integrated assessments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple stressors and cumulative impacts • ICES projects on EBM 	Kirsten Isensee (IOC/UNESCO) Wojciech Wawrzynski (ICES)	Panel, interventions from the floor, moderated by the session chair (5 mins ppt each, followed by 15 mins panel discussion)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ocean InfoHub • Embracing Indigenous and Local Knowledge alongside Ocean Science for Sustainable Ocean Management and Governance • Science for a Sustainable Ocean 	<p>Lucy Scott (IODE)</p> <p>Katy Soapi (SCP)</p> <p>David Vousden (GESAMP, online)</p>	
14.55-15.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key achievements of the UN Ocean Decade since 2021 	<p>Alison Clausen (IOC/UNESCO)</p>	<p>Plenary, presentation (15 mins ppt + 5 mins Q&A)</p>
Coffee break (15.45-16.00)			
Break-out session A			
Time	Title	Name	Objectives
16.00-17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of LME concept 	Adnan Awad (UNDP)	<i>To discuss the extension of the concept of LME to new (ecosystem) boundaries e.g. ABNJ, climate change impacts, and implications for the financing of LMEs</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying capacity building needs 	Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)	<i>To discuss capacity-needs and input to draft training strategy</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uptake of ocean science in LME projects 	Niccolo Bassan (IOC/UNESCO)	<i>To identify the key challenges and opportunities of the use of natural and social science, including the link between the Ocean Decade framework and the LME projects</i>
17.00-17.30	Reporting break-out session A and wrap-up Day 1		
END OF DAY 1			
Cocktail reception 17.45 (7th floor)			

Day 2: Wednesday 12 July 2023

Session 4 –Revisiting the TDA/SAP process

Session chair: Leah Karrer (GEFSec)

Rapporteur: Ruth Mathews (S2S Platform/SIWI)

Objectives of Session: *This session will provide an overview of the TDA/SAP resources available (manual, training course), recent updates to manual (2020) and planned enhancements as part of IW:LEARN5. It will also include lessons learned from recent TDA/SAP processes, proposals for revisiting/improving the TDA/SAP framework and learning from other approaches and frameworks.*

Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
09.30-09.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recent updates and planned enhancements to the TDA/SAP methodology 	Peter Whalley (Recent up-dates) (online) Mario Cana, (GRID-A) Ruth Mathews, (S2S Platform/SIWI)	Plenary, presentation
09.45-10.15	<p>Lessons learned from recent TDA/SAP processes in LMEs</p> <p><u>TDA implementation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MED TDA <p><u>SAP implementation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9592 Catalysing Implementation of a Strategic Action Programme for the Sustainable Management of Shared Living Marine Resources in the Humboldt Current System (HCS) 6920 Implementation of the Arafura and Timor Seas Regional and National Strategic Action Programs 	Olfat Hamdan (MedProgramme-UNEP/MAP) Mauricio Galvez (UNDP) Handoko Adi Susanto (PEMSEA)	4 min lightening chat, followed by 10 mins panel discussion

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5538 Implementing the Strategic Action Programme for the South China Sea • 9940 Towards Sustainable Management of the Canary Current Large Marine Ecosystem (CCLME) – Initial Support to SAP Implementation <p><u>TDA/SAP cycle</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caribbean • 4940 Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Protection of the Western Indian Ocean from Land-based Sources and Activities (WIO-SAP) 	<p>Si Tuan Vo (UNOPS)</p> <p>Aboubacar Sidibe (FAO)</p> <p>Patrick Debels (UNOPS)</p> <p>Timothy Andrew (UNEP Nairobi)</p>	
10.15-10.45	• Ocean Observations – opportunities for TDAs	Emma Heslop (IOC/UNESCO)	Plenary, presentation (10 mins ppt+ 5 mins Q&A)
	• Data and information management (DIM) component of the TDA/SAP	Khristine Gudczinski (IW:LEARN)	Plenary, presentation (10 mins ppt+ 5 mins Q&A)
10.45-11.00	• Stakeholder engagement & community participation, including gender mainstreaming	Lynn Sorrentino (IUCN)	Plenary, presentation (10 mins ppt+ 5 mins Q&A)
11.00-11.15	• Revisiting the TDA/SAP approach	Leah Karrer (GEFSec)	Facilitated discussion
Coffee break 15 minutes (11.15-11.30)			
Session 5 – Fostering private sector engagement & innovative financing			
Session chair: Konstantina Toli (IOC/UNESCO)			

Rapporteur: Lorenzo Galbiati (FAO)			
Objectives of Session: <i>This session will discuss the enabling environment required for fostering engagement with the private sector, opportunities for innovative and sustainable financing and replication in other regions.</i>			
Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
11.30-12.30	<p>Private Sector Engagement</p> <p><u>Lessons from the LME & Fisheries portfolio</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5514 Western Indian Ocean Large Marine Ecosystems Strategic Action Programme Policy Harmonization and Institutional Reforms (SAPPHIRE) • 5765 Integrated Transboundary Ridges-to-Reef Management of the Mesoamerican Reef • 9125 The Coastal Fisheries Initiative Challenge Fund: Enabling Sustainable Private Sector Investment in Fisheries (CFI-CF) • Conservation finance model for Niue • 10685 Build back a blue and stronger Mediterranean 	<p>Timothy Andrew (UNEP Nairobi Convention)</p> <p>Mario Escobedo (SICA)</p> <p>Fatou Sock (FAO)</p> <p>CI (video)</p> <p>Carole Martinez (MedPan)</p>	<p>Panel, interventions from the floor, moderated by the session chair</p> <p>(10 mins ppt, followed by 20 mins panel discussion)</p>
12.30-13.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Towards the establishment of a Global IW Partnerships Advisory Panel & organization of Investment Forums 	<p>Aurélie Rossignol (World Bank)</p> <p>Alexandre Borde (Cibola)</p> <p>Lilia Khodjet El Khil (IMO)</p>	<p>Panel discussion</p>

		Natalie Degger (UNIDO)	
LUNCH BREAK (13.00-14.30)			
Session 6 - Strengthened Source-to-Sea collaboration			
Session chair: Ruth Mathews (S2S Platform – SIWI)			
Rapporteur: Malek Ameri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)			
Objectives of Session: <i>This session will introduce the source-to-sea concept and the benefits, challenges, and opportunities of LME – RBO collaboration, showcase case studies and examples of the application of a holistic S2S management approach, across sectoral and administrative boundaries, bringing together upstream and downstream stakeholders to ensure healthy ecosystems and resilient societies. It will also explore concrete ways that LMEs and RBOs can collaborate and develop shared activities, share lessons learned and exchange knowledge with other LME projects.</i>			
Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
14:30-14:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Source-to-Sea 	Ruth Mathews (S2S Platform/SIWI)	Plenary, presentation
14.40-14:55	<p><u>Incorporating source-to-sea concepts in LME projects</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Source-to-sea and water management integrated capacity building to the SAP implementation in the Amazon Basin • 5765 Integrated Transboundary Ridges-to-Reef Management of the Mesoamerican Reef • 9594 Strengthening Transboundary Cooperation for Improved Ecosystem Management and Restoration in the Senegal delta 	<p>Luiz Amore (ACTO)</p> <p>Mario Escobedo (SICA)</p> <p>Béchir N'DIATH (IUCN Mauritania)</p>	5 mins presentations to introduce how GEF LME projects are incorporating source-to-sea perspectives
14:55-15:30	<p>World Café</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amazon – Caribbean • Mekong – South China Sea 	<p>Luiz Amore (ACTO) – Patrick Debels (UNOPS)</p> <p>Maeve Nightingale (IUCN) – Mahesh</p>	In two rounds 12 mins each the representatives from each project share concrete steps that have been or

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orange-Sengu – Benguela • Danube – Black Sea 	Pradhan (COBSEA)/Si Tuan Vo (UNOPS) Viviane Kinyaga (ORASECOM) – Tunehafo Gottlieb (BCC) Mitja Bricelj (ICPDR) - Iryna Makarenko (BSC)	could be taken to increase collaboration across the source-to-sea continuum and participants can ask questions or make suggestions
15:30-15:42	Report back from World Café	Project teams	3 mins summaries from the World Café discussions
15:42-15:45	Closing	Ruth Mathews (S2S Platform/SIWI)	
Coffee break (15.45-16.00)			
Break-out session B			
Time	Title	Name	Objectives
16.00-17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation on the development of a practical approach to integrate MSP into the TDA/SAP process 	Mario Cana (GRID-Arendal)	<i>To present and discuss the development of a practical approach to integrate MSP into the TDA/SAP process</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation of the integration of source-to-sea consideration in the TDA/SAP framework 	Ruth Mathews (SIWI)	<i>To discuss steps towards the integration of source-to-sea consideration in the TDA/SAP framework</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation on the needs of a sustainable financing toolkit 	Lynn Sorrentino (IUCN)	<i>To discuss the needs of a sustainable financing toolkit</i>
17.00-17.30	Reporting break-out session B and wrap-up Day 2		
END OF DAY 2			

Day 3: Thursday 13 July 2023

Session 7 – ABNJ developments and the potential role of LMEs

Session chair: Lorenzo Galbiati (FAO)

Rapporteur: Konstantina Toli (IOC/UNESCO)

Objectives of Session: *This session will address the potential engagement and role of LMEs in the conservation and sustainable use of ABNJs in view of the latest developments on the new BBNJ treaty.*

(Reference to the doc [GEF/C.64/12](#) 64th GEF Council Meeting)

Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
09.30-09.40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Latest developments on BBNJ 	Nicola Ferri (GFCM)	10 mins presentation to introduce the latest developments on BBNJ and its implications for the GEF IW LME approach
09:40-09:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10626 The Common Oceans ABNJ Program and its Global Coordination Project 	Viktoria Varga Lencses, Common Ocean Coordinator (FAO)	10 mins presentation to explain the mission of the Common Oceans ABNJ Program and its global coordination project
09:50-10.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10623 Deep-sea Fisheries under the Ecosystem Approach (DSF project) • 10622 Sustainable management of tuna fisheries and biodiversity conservation in the areas beyond national jurisdiction • 10697 Building and Enhancing Sectoral and Cross-sectoral capacity to support sustainable resource use and biodiversity conservation in marine areas beyond national jurisdiction 	<p>Nicola Ferri (GFCM)</p> <p>Viktoria Varga Lencses, Common Ocean Coordinator (FAO)</p> <p>Louise Lieberknecht (GRID-A)</p>	Each of the panellists will present (7 mins each) one or two links/contributions of the LME approach of the GEF (without slides)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10620 - Strengthening the stewardship of an economically and biologically significant high seas area – the Sargasso Sea 	Fae Sapsford (Sargasso Sea Commission)	
10.20-10.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “What Now?” & Next Steps • <i>How can GEF high seas project(s) be linked to LMEs?</i> • <i>How will BBNJ affect GEF?</i> 	Lynn Sorrentino (IUCN)	Facilitated discussion with the audience and panellists.
Coffee break 10.30-10.45			
Session 8 – Maximizing synergies with other processes, initiatives and ambitions			
Session chair: Adnan Awad (UNDP)			
Rapporteur: Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)			
Objectives of Session: <i>This session will address the synergies and collaboration with ongoing processes and dialogues, to explore how LMEs can achieve global ambitions related to climate and biodiversity through collaboration across different bodies and ocean governance</i>			
Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
10.45-11.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Ocean Governance: <i>How do LMEs help support and create synergies with Regional Seas and other initiatives?</i> • Global Biodiversity Framework, CBD, MPAs: <i>How can LMEs help CBD and the Global Biodiversity Framework reach their mandates?</i> • Ocean-Climate Dialogue: <i>How can climate change be addressed through ocean-related processes; How to use EBM to tackle climate issues?</i> 	<p>Abdoulaye Diagana (Abidjan Convention)</p> <p>Iryna Makarenko (BSC)</p> <p>Mahesh Pradhan (COBSEA)</p> <p>Shannon Hampton (RIFS)</p> <p>Nicola Ferri (GFCM)</p> <p>Alejandro Arrivillaga (WWF)</p> <p>Jasdeep Randhawa (UNFCCC)</p>	Panel, 2-3 mins for response, followed by interventions from the floor

11.30-11.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable Ocean Planning 	Cynthia Barzuna (WRI)	10 mins ppt, followed by Q&A (5 mins)
11.45-12.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Towards UN Ocean Conference 2025: How to position LMEs within global frameworks? 	Julian Barbière (IOC/UNESCO)	Facilitated discussion
Break-out session C			
Time	Title	Name	Objectives
12.00-13.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning of IW:LEARN Regional Ocean Governance Dialogues 	Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)	<i>To have a brainstorm session and interactive discussion on the planning of the three regional ocean governance dialogues under the framework of IW:LEARN</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Considerations for the GEF8 and GEF9 cycles 	Leah Karrer (GEFSec)	<i>To discuss considerations for GEF8 and GEF9 replenishments, how to address new challenges and opportunities</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consolidate LME inputs to the IWC10 (October 2023) 	Lorenzo Galbiati (FAO)	<i>To consolidate further the inputs from LME projects to the IWC10 as part of the portfolio consultation process</i>
LUNCH BREAK (13.00-14.30)			
Time	Title		
14.30-15.00	Reporting break-out session C		
Session 9 – Knowledge management, communication and outreach			
Session chair: Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)			
Rapporteur: Malek Ameri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)			
Objectives of Session: <i>This session will discuss how to enhance communication and outreach, in support of the uptake and replication of portfolio results and experiences outside the LME community. It will</i>			

offer opportunities to reflect on the functionality of Marine Hub of IW:LEARN portal, look into how the portfolio knowledge exchange can be improved and define the outreach activities for the coming year

Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
15.00-15.20	Knowledge Management: strategy, means, products, exchange at portfolio level	Natalie Degger (UNIDO, Former LME:LEARN)	15 mins ppt, followed by facilitated discussion (5 mins)
15.20-15.45	<u>Experiences from the portfolio</u> MedProgramme 10620 Strengthening the stewardship of an economically and biologically significant high seas area – the Sargasso Sea	Olfat Hamdan (MedProgramme-UNEP /MAP) Fae Sapsford (Sargasso Sea Commission)	5 mins ppt (x2), 10 mins interventions from the floor on other projects; followed by 5 mins Q&A
15.45-16.00	Opportunities to extend outreach: means, products, key events	Khristine Gudczinski (IW:LEARN)	Facilitated discussion

Coffee break (16.00-16.15)

Session 10 – LME Community Medium Term Framework Strategy

Session chair: Julian Barbière (IOC/UNESCO)

Rapporteur: Khristine Gudczinski (IW:LEARN)

Objectives of Session *This session will revisit and update the LME Community Medium Term Framework Strategy in the context of an evolving LME approach and reflecting the outcomes of the LME22 meeting.*

Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
16.15-16.30	LME Community Medium Term Framework Strategy	Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)	10 mins ppt, followed by 5 mins facilitated discussion
16.30-16.45	Review of LME concept (follow up of outcomes of break-out session A)	Adnan Awad (UNDP)	Facilitated discussion

Session 11 – Closing session: Conclusions and next steps

Session chair: Vladimir Mamaev (UNDP)			
Rapporteur: Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)			
Objectives of Session: <i>This session will outline the key messages, conclusions and way forward</i>			
Time	Title	Name	Format of Session
16.45-17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key conclusions 	Vladimir Mamaev (UNDP)	Two paragraphs from rapporteurs of each session
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda topics for next LME meeting 	Claudette Spiteri (IOC/UNESCO & IW:LEARN)	Plenary, presentation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Longer term perspectives and future priorities 	Julian Barbière (IOC/UNESCO)	Closing remarks
END OF MEETING			