



XVII

Annual Consultative Meeting on Large Marine Ecosystems and Coastal Partners

Agenda

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29 September – 2 October 2015

UNESCO Main Building-Access 7, Place Fontenoy
Meeting Room / Salle XII
Paris, France

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1. Objectives of the meeting

The primary objective of the 2015 meeting is to consolidate and operationalize the LME Partnership in accordance with the objectives of the recently approved GEF LME:Learn project and engaging marine and coastal project leaders in meeting those objectives. As we did last year, the **17th LME Meeting** will be structured according to four building blocks as follows:

1. Building Global and regional **networks** of partners to enhance ecosystem-based management and to provide support for the GEF-IW LME/ICM/MSP/MPA projects;
2. Mobilizing **knowledge**, capturing best LME governance practices, and developing new tools to enhance the management effectiveness of LME, ICM, and MPAs;
3. Strengthening capacity and partnership building through **twinning**, learning exchanges, and training among LMEs and similar initiatives, and;
4. Providing **communication**, dissemination and outreach of GEF LME/ICM/MSP/MPA project achievements and lessons learned.

<p>Monday 28 SEP 2015</p>	<p>The ICES Working group on Large Marine Ecosystem Programme Best Practices will meet in Paris (UNESCO HQ) on 28-30 September 2015 in parallel to the 17th LME.</p> <p>http://www.ices.dk/community/groups/Pages/WGLMEBP.aspx</p>		<p>14 00</p> <p>ICES WGLMEBP</p> <p>Hein Rune Skjoldal(*) Rudolf Hermes (*)</p>	<p>16 15</p> <p>ICES WGLMEBP</p> <p>Hein Rune Skjoldal(*) Rudolf Hermes (*)</p>
<p>Tuesday 29 SEP 2015</p>	<p>09 00</p> <p>ICES WGLMEBP</p> <p>Hein Rune Skjoldal(*) Rudolf Hermes (*)</p>	<p>14 30</p> <p>Welcome Session</p> <p>IOC, UNDP, GEF, NOAA, ICES, IUCN</p>	<p>15 00</p> <p>LME Governance – Links to ICM and MPA efforts</p> <p>Becky Shuford, NOAA*</p>	<p>18 00</p> <p>Regional Caucus purpose</p> <p>Leah Karrer, GEF*</p>
<p>Wednesday 30 SEP 2015</p>	<p>09 00</p> <p>Regional LME Caucus Africa, Asia, Latin America/Caribbean.</p> <p>ICES WGLMEBP</p>	<p>11 15</p> <p>Regional LME Caucus Continuation</p> <p>ICES WGLMEBP</p>	<p>14 30</p> <p>Regional LME Caucus Continuation</p>	<p>17 00</p> <p>LME Global and Regional networks</p> <p>Kenneth Sherman, NOAA*</p>
<p>Thursday 01 OCT 2015</p>	<p>09 00</p> <p>LME Data and Information needs</p> <p>Julian Barbière, IOC*</p>	<p>11 15</p> <p>Socio-economic aspects of LMEs</p> <p>Andrew Hudson, UNDP*</p>	<p>13 00</p> <p>Side event: Google LME Layer</p> <p>James Oliver, IUCN*</p>	<p>14 30</p> <p>Integrated Climate Change and variability in LMEs</p> <p>Ned Cyr, NOAA*</p>
	<p>16 15</p> <p>Emerging issues in ocean health</p> <p>Leah Karrer, GEF*</p>	<p>18 00</p> <p>Side event: TWAP – Users' feedback session</p> <p>Sherry Heileman, IOC*</p>	<div> <div>Information</div> <div> <div>17th</div> <div>LME</div> <div>PARIS 2015</div> </div> <div> <p>(*) Chairperson</p> <p>More information & Logistics:</p> <p>www.ioc-unesco.org/17thLME</p> <p>Other announcements:</p> <p>Registration starts on Tuesday 29 September at 14.00h Room XII at UNESCO HQ</p> <div>        </div> </div> </div>	
<p>Friday 02 OCT 2015</p>	<p>09 00</p> <p>LME:Learn & Capacity development</p> <p>Wojciech Wawrzinski, ICES*</p>	<p>11 15</p> <p>LME:Learn & Stakeholders and communication</p> <p>Mish Hamid, IW:Learn*</p>		

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More information & Logistics:

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Other announcements:

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Tuesday 29 September 2015			
Session	<u>1-Introductory session</u>		
Chair	Julian Barbière, IOC-UNESCO		
Time	Title	Name	
14.00 14.30	Registration		
14.30 15.00	Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Vladimir Ryabinin/Julian Barbière, IOC-UNESCO- Andrew Hudson/Vladimir Mamaev, UNDP- Christian H. Severin / Leah Karrer, GEF- Ned Cyr /Kenneth Sherman, NOAA- Wojciech Wawrzyński/Adi Kellerman, ICES- James Oliver, IUCN	
Session	<u>2-Governance in LMEs</u>		
	<u>2a. Building long-term governance and sustainability</u>		
Chair	Becky Shuford, NOAA		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of the session
15.00 15.15	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Rebecca Shuford, NOAA	The LME Governance session seeks to provide 1) perspectives on overarching governance structures as well as 2) share some select examples of mechanisms and tools (i.e. MPA, ICM, MSP) being applied in LME regions to facilitate effective governance of shared marine and coastal resources. This session does not seek to arrive at prescriptive solutions or advocate a one-size fit all approach. Rather it seeks to inform and initiate an open and ongoing dialog on how to address the need for appropriate and relevant governance structures and mechanisms throughout LME (and related project) planning and implementation.
15.15 15.30	Governance considerations in LMEs	Robin Mahon, CERMES	
15.30 15.40	The Barcelona Convention and the MedPartnership in the Mediterranean LME	Lorenzo Galbiati, Med Partnership	
15.40 15.50	Factors contributing to long-term ocean governance in the BCLME region	Hashali Hamukuaya, Benguela Current LME	
15.50 16.00	The Western Tropical Pacific Warm Pool LME – Status, Benefits and Challenges in the context of the Future of Fisheries	Hugh Walton, FFA	
16.00 16.15	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	
<u>Video on the Pacific IWRM Project (13 minutes)</u>			
Coffee break 20 minutes			

Session	<u>2-Governance in LMEs (Continuation)</u> <u>2b. Examples of use of MPAs, ICM, MSP as tools and approaches for governance in LMEs</u>		
Time	Title	Name	
16.45 17.00	MPAs as a valuable tool for governance in LMEs: Global status and trends in MPA application and the Promise of Sydney	James Oliver, IUCN	
17.00 17.10	Experiences in Scaling up ICM for Sustainable Development of the Seas of East Asia.	Adrian Ross, PEMSEA	
17.10 17.20	Enabling Sustainable Development and Management of Ecosystems	Marc Wilson, SOPAC	
17.20 17.30	CLME+ and the Caribbean Challenge Initiative	Patrick Debels, Caribbean LME	
17.30 17.40	Legal reforms relating ICAM/MSP within LMEs	Michael Akester, Humboldt Current LME	
17.40 18.00	<u>Summary LME:Learn on this topic</u>	Open discussion	
Session	<u>3a-Regional Caucus purpose</u>		
Chair	Leah Karrer		
Expected Outcomes	<p>Regional caucuses will meet on Wednesday 30 Sept (9.00 -16.00). The Caucuses provide an important opportunity for colleagues working in each region to come together to discuss critical issues in a smaller setting than the larger meeting. The focus is on sharing and discussing innovative approaches, best practices and lessons learned that may be of interest to other colleagues. It is also a chance to discuss challenges and problems to solicit ideas from peers. While sharing experiences, participants are encouraged to consider the applications to their own projects and how they might modify plans moving forward.</p> <p>Project managers as well as other colleagues experienced or interested in the region are encouraged to actively participate by sharing their experiences. While there will be a few project presentations, the focus is on sharing experiences informally throughout the day. For each Regional Caucus, the discussions will focus around 3 questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are projects' best practices, innovative approaches and challenges related to the <u>LME meeting topics</u> (blue growth and socioeconomics, climate change/ocean acidification, data and information management, IUU fishing, marine debris, ties to MPAs & ABNJ)? What are key lessons learned to share with other regions? 2. What <u>challenges and opportunities</u> are projects facing, particularly related to 		

	<p>ensuring <u>sustainable governance</u>? What are viable solutions?</p> <p>3. What are priority <u>capacity needs and knowledge needs</u> for projects and the region as a whole?</p> <p>The insights from discussing the second and third questions will be presented at the end of the day during the plenary session on Global and Regional Networks (Wednesday 30 16.00-18.00). The insights from the discussion of the first question will be shared during the relevant plenaries throughout the rest of the meeting by the relevant project. For example, an innovative approach to climate change vulnerability assessments in YSLME would be shared during the Climate Change session.</p>		
Time	Title	Name	
18.00	Objectives and expected	Leah Karrer, GEF	
18.30	outcomes of the session.		
End of the session 18.30h			
Cocktail / Reception at 19.00h			
Wednesday 30 September 2015			
Session	<u>3b-Regional Caucuses and Working groups</u>		
Chair & Rapporteur	<p>Africa (Co- chairs : Hashali Hamukuaya/ David Vousden); Asia (Co-chairs : José Padilla/Rudolf Hermes)</p> <p>Caribbean and Latin America (Co-Chairs : Michael Akester/Patrick Debels/Porfirio Álvarez)</p>		
Duration	<p>From 9.00 to 16.00</p> <p>Morning coffee break from 10.45 to 11.15</p> <p>Lunch time: from 13.00 to 14.00 / Afternoon coffee break from 15.30 to 16.00</p>		
Objectives & expected outcomes	<p>Following is a general agenda for the Regional Caucuses, which will be tailored by the Co-Chairs.</p> <p>[[PART 1: LME Meeting Topics - Before Coffee Break]</p> <p>As the foundation for discussion, each project will give a ~10min presentation on their best practices, innovative approaches and challenges related to the LME meeting topics (blue growth and socioeconomics, climate change/ocean acidification, data and information management, IUU fishing, marine debris, ties to MPAs & ABNJ). Presenters are asked to focus on the most relevant topics for their project and to focus on experiences and lessons learned that may be useful to other projects. Colleagues not tied to a particular project are encouraged to share their experiences throughout the discussions. The Co-Chairs will encourage discussion around: lessons learnt applicability of experiences to other projects and, how to address challenges. By the conclusion, the participants will have determined which experiences to highlight during the rest of the relevant plenaries.</p>		

	<p>[PART 2: Challenges & Opportunities, particularly related to Sustainable Governance – After Coffee Break]</p> <p>For the second part the projects will provide short presentations or statements regarding the challenges and opportunities they are facing, particularly related to ensuring governance sustainability. They will discuss where they are in the LME process (TDA, SAP, Convention, Commission or other steps). They are encouraged to discuss what has worked and what has not worked with emphasis on experiences that may be useful to other projects. The Co-Chairs will facilitate a discussion around lessons learned and how to overcome challenges noting key points to share in the Global and Regional Networks Plenary session, which follows the Caucuses.</p> <p>[PART 3: Capacity and Knowledge Needs– After Lunch]</p> <p>Many of the points related to capacity and knowledge needs may already be evident at this point in which case projects can build on those discussions. Each project may highlight their best practices/experiences and needs related to training, capacity building, info management and delivery of knowledge to management and policy levels. The Co-Chairs will facilitate a discussion around priority needs for projects and the region in general noting key points to share in the Global and Regional Networks Plenary session, which follows the Caucuses.</p>			
Regional Caucus	Room Tentative	Chairperson 1	Chairperson 2	Comments
Africa	Salle XII	Hashali Hamukuaya	David Vousden	
Asia	Salle VIII bis	José Padilla	Rudolf Hermes	
Latin America and Caribbean	Salle VIII	Michael Akester	Patrick Debels / Porfirio Álvarez	
Session	<u>4-Global and regional networks – Regional Caucuses reporting and general discussion</u>			
Chair	Kenneth Sherman, NOAA			
Rapporteur	Alejandro Iglesias-Campos			
Time	Title	Name		Objectives of this session
16.00	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Ken Sherman, NOAA		Regional caucuses and working groups to report on their respective sessions
16.05 17.50	Regional caucuses’ reporting	Chairperson of each caucus Africa (Co-chairs : Hashali Hamukuaya/ David Vousden)		

		Asia (Co-chairs : José Padilla/Rudolf Hermes) Caribbean and Latin America (Co-Chairs : Michael Akester/Patrick Debels/ Porfirio Alvarez)	
17.50 17.05	Reporting of the ICES WGLMEBP	Hein Rune Skjoldal and Rudolf Hermes, Chairs of the ICES WGLMEBP	
17.05 17.20	Analysis of Regional Ocean Governance	Julien Rochette, IDDRI	
17.20 18.00	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	

End of the day, 18.00h

Thursday 1 October 2015

Session	5-Meeting LME Data and Information Needs		
Chair	Julian Barbière, IOC-UNESCO		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of this session
09.00 09.05	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Julian Barbière, IOC-UNESCO	This session will discuss a general conceptualization of data, as well as additional examples on the importance of data, information (indicators) and decision support tools to support ecosystem-based management within the LMEs (integrated coastal management, marine protected areas and marine spatial planning).
09.05 09.20	Transboundary Waters Assessment Programme: Global comparative assessment of LMEs	Sherry Heileman, Liana McManus, IOC-UNESCO / Consultants	
09.20 09.35	Institutionalization of transboundary indicators	Patrick Debels, CLME	
09.35 09.50	International collaboration in oceanographic data and information exchange: IODE	Peter Pissierssens, IOC-UNESCO/IODE	
10.00 10.10	Examples of EBM indicators approach in the Southeast Pacific.	Fernando Félix, CPPS	
10.10 10.20	EAF-Nansen and Blue Bridge projects	Gabriella Bianchi, FAO	
10.10 10.45	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	

Coffee break



Session	6-Blue growth and socio-economics aspects		
Chair	Andrew Hudson, UNDP		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of this session
11.15 11.20	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Andrew Hudson, UNDP	Despite a range of studies, methodologies and demonstrations, tangible evidence for translation of the LME Socioeconomics module into practical LME management and governance remains limited. This session will review LME practitioners' experience with socioeconomic elements of LME assessment, management and governance. Speakers will explore experience with a range of topics including ecosystem valuation, blue economy, fisheries certification and the linkages between sustaining LMEs and employment. Each speaker will share approaches/methodologies, results, challenges and lessons learnt.
11.20 11.40	Moving towards a Blue Economy – the Seychelles Experience	Didier Dogley, Minister of Environment, Energy and Climate Change of Seychelles	
11.40 11.50	Restoring the world's LMEs: A vehicle for job creation?	Andrew Hudson, UNDP Water & Ocean Programme	
11.50 12.00	Economic valuation of ecosystem services in LMEs, purpose, methods and the GCLME experience applying the benefit transfer approach.	Christian Susan, UNIDO	
12.00 12.10	Valuation of marine ecosystem goods and services in the Caribbean Sea/N. Brazil Shelf LME	Patrick Debels, Caribbean LME	
12.10 12.20	Recent progress in fisheries certification in the Humboldt Current LME	Michael Akester, Humboldt Current LME	
12.20 13.00	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	

Lunch

Session	7-Integrating Climate Change and variability in LMEs		
Chair	Ned Cyr, NOAA		
Rapporteur	Becky Shuford, NOAA		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of this session
14.30 14.40	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Ned Cyr, NOAA	As global climate models continue to be downscaled and coupled to high-resolution regional ecosystem models, comprehensive projections of climate effects are marine
14.40 14.50	Ocean Acidification - Connecting scientists to transfer knowledge at local, regional, global levels	Kirsten Isensee, IOC-UNESCO	
14.50 15.00	Regional Climate Change Adaptation Framework for the Mediterranean Sea	Lorenzo Galbiati, Med Partnership	

15.00 15.10	Climate change and the living marine resources of the CCLME	Birane Sambe, Canary Current LME	ecosystems are emerging. LME regional projects should account for these projections and develop comprehensive approaches to mitigation and adaptation. This session will present recent assessments of the effects of climate change on regional marine ecosystems, and explore the extent to which LME regional projects are working to address the effects of climate change on their living marine resources, coastal communities and marine based economies.
15.10 15.20	How the BOBLME SAP responds to Climate Change effects in the Bay of Bengal	Rudy Hermes Bay of Bengal LMEs	
15.20 15.30	Climate Change in the Gulf of Mexico LME		
15.30 16.15	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	
Coffee break			
Session	8-Emerging issues in ocean health		
Chair	Leah Karrer, GEF Secretariat		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of this session
16.45 16.50	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Leah Karrer, GEF	This session is designed to address two topics of growing concern among LMEs: marine debris and illegal unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing. Marine debris is a growing, complex issue identified as a priority concern in most LME TDAs and SAPs. While often a problem of “out of site, out of mind”, solutions are tied to the marine debris life cycle: reducing plastic production, improving waste collection and management and coastal clean-ups. As the GEF is considering engaging in this topic,
16.50 17.00	Addressing the marine litter challenge through the Global Partnership on Marine Litter	Heidi Savelli, UNEP	
17.00 17.05	The challenges of addressing marine debris in the Humboldt Current LME	Michael Akester, Humboldt Current LME	
17.05 17.15	Open discussion on Marine Debris		
17.15 – 17.25	Key international approaches to combatting illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing	Mathew Camilleri, FAO	

17.25 17.30	IUU Fishing: the challenges and solutions in the Eastern Tropical Pacific Seascape	Marco Quesada, Eastern Tropical Pacific Seascape	this session provides an opportunity to learn how regions have been addressing this issue through non-GEF mechanisms, including achievements, challenges and lessons learned. Illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing is another major issue facing LMEs around the world. Given the transboundary nature of LMEs, projects are in a unique position to address IUU across countries. This session will explore the various aspects related to monitoring, compliance and surveillance, policy agendas, food security issues and market incentives. Discussions related to both topics will explore innovative efforts, barriers and challenges drawing on project experiences.
17.30 17.35	Problems and some proposals of sub-regional measures to combat IUU fishing in the Canary Current LME	Birane Sambe, Canary Current LME	
1740-1800	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion on IUU Fishing	

End of the day

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Session	<u>9a-LME:Learn moving forward: Focus on capacity development</u>		
Chair	Wojciech Wawrzyński, ICES		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of this session
09.00 09.10	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Wojciech Wawrzyński, ICES	This session will inform the participants about recent achievements and future plans in the field of LME capacity development, and also identify opportunities for capacity building cooperation between projects;
09.10 09.20	ICES training actions and the LME-LEARN twinning plans	Wojciech Wawrzyński, ICES	
09.20 09.30	IOC training actions in the LME:Learn context including OceanTeacher Global Academy	Peter Pissierssens, IOC/IODE Lucy Scott, Agulhas-Somali LME, OTGA SG	
09.30 09.40	MOOC	Kenneth Sherman, NOAA	
09.40 09.50	IW:Learn past and future plans	Mish Hamid, IW:Learn	

09.50 10.00	Online tools/the learning portal of the Globallast programme	Antoine Blonce, IMO	
10.00 10.45	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	
Coffee break			
Session	9b-LME:Learn moving forward: Focus on LME Stakeholders / Communicating LME results		
Chair	Mish Hamid, IW:Learn		
Time	Title	Name	Objectives of this session
11.15 11.20	Objectives and expected outcomes of the session	Mish Hamid, IW:Learn	The LME:Learn project will generate harmonized knowledge products, drawing on existing science, by harvesting and codifying experiences and best practices from the existing GEF LME/ICM/MPA projects, project stakeholders and learning partners including other non-GEF marine and coastal initiatives to include tools to address climate variability and change, MPAs and ICM. This session will demonstrate and highlight existing good practice on the development of knowledge products and strategic communications within the LME-ICM-MPA portfolio, highlighting possible means the LME:Learn project will replicate.
11.20 11.35	Private / Public partnerships	David Vousden, Agulhas-Somali LME	
11.35 11.50	Planned regional and global conferences	Kenneth Sherman, NOAA Julian Barbiere, IOC-UNESCO	
11.50 12.05	Best practices in development of knowledge products	Marc Wilson, Pacific IWRM	
12.05 12.20	Knowledge management to foster replication	Adrian Ross, PEMSEA	
12.20 12.45	Summary LME:Learn on this topic	Open discussion	
Session	10-Conclusions and next steps		
Chairs	Julian Barbière, IOC-UNESCO / Vladimir Mamaev, UNDP / Leah Karrer, GEF		
Time	Title	Name	
12.45 13.00	Conclusions, results of the survey and next steps	Julian Barbière, IOC-UNESCO Andrew Hudson / Vladimir Mamaev, UNDP Christian H. Severin / Leah Karrer, GEF	
13.00 13.30	Final comments		
End of the 17th LME Meeting			



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