



Our Ocean, Our People, Our Prosperity

**All events will take place at the Palau National Gym (PNG) unless otherwise noted.
Times are subject to change.*

Wednesday, 13 April 2022

- 7:00 – 8:30a **Delegation Arrivals, Registration, and Coffee**
- 8:30 – 9:00a **Opening Performance, Video and Keynote Addresses**
- 9:10 – 10:25a **Plenary Session I: Confronting the Ocean-Climate Crisis**

MODERATOR:

Tina Stege

Climate Envoy

Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands

SPEAKERS:

The Honorable Jane Lubchenco, Ph.D.

Deputy Director for Climate and Environment, Office of Science and
Technology Policy

Oregon State University

Mia Kami

Singer/Songwriter

Tonga

Cynthia Barzuna Gutiérrez

Vice Minister of Water and Ocean Affairs

Costa Rica

Antha Williams

Environment Lead

Bloomberg Philanthropies

Dr. Pawan Patil

Founder

Seadragon Foundation

Break

10:40 – 11:55a

Plenary Session II: Advancing Sustainable Fisheries

MODERATOR:

Dr. Fiorenza Micheli

Co-Director

Stanford Center for Ocean Solutions

SPEAKERS:

Ann Singeo

Executive Director

Ebiil Society

Indah Rufiati

Fisheries Lead

Pesisir Lestari, in collaboration with Blue Ventures

Jennifer Kemmerly

Vice President, Global Ocean Initiatives

Monterey Bay Aquarium

Sheck Sherif

National Fisheries and Aquaculture Authority

Liberia

Rocky Sanchez Tirona

Managing Director

Fish Forever at Rare

11:55a – 2:00p

Delegates Lunch

Ernguul Park

11:55a – 1:00p

HOD Family Photo

1:00 – 2:00p

HOD Lunch

PNG – Alii Lounge

2:00 – 2:15p

Pacific Communities: Ocean Challenges and Solutions

PRE-RECORDED REMARKS:

Yohei Sasakawa

Chairman

Nippon Foundation

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Vladimir Ryabinin

Executive Secretary

Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO

T.H. Hu'Akavameiliku Siaoisi Sovaleni

Prime Minister

Tonga

2:20 – 3:35p

Plenary Session III: Creating Sustainable Blue Economies

MODERATOR:

Leah Gutierrez

Director General, Pacific Department

Asian Development Bank

SPEAKERS:

Anne Beathe Tvinnereim

Minister of International Development

Government of Norway

Ken O'Flaherty

COP26 Regional Ambassador to Asia-Pacific and South Asia

Government of the United Kingdom

Francesco La Camera

Director-General

International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)

Honorable Aiyez Sayed-Khaiyum

Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service,

Communications, Housing, and Community Development

Government of Fiji

Dr. Hide Sakaguchi

President

Ocean Policy Research Institute - Sasakawa Peace Foundation

Break

3:45 – 4:45p

Featured Panel I: Indigenous-led Conservation

MODERATOR:

'Aulani Wilhelm

United States

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Selvi Tebaiy

Papua University
Indonesia

Antony Vavia

Blue Cradle
Cook Islands

Susana Waqainabete-Tuisese

Conservation International
Fiji

The Honorable Sheila Jack Babauta

House of Representatives
Northern Mariana Islands

Noah Idechong

The Nature Conservancy
Palau

5:20 – 6:20p

Side Events

Palau Community College (PCC)

Thursday, 14 April 2022

7:00 – 8:30a

Delegation Arrivals and Coffee

8:30 – 9:30a

Side Events

Palau Community College (PCC)

9:45 – 10:05a

High-Level Opening: Voices for the Ocean

PRE-RECORDED REMARKS:

Barack Obama

44th President
United States of America

SPEAKERS:

Patricia Espinosa

Executive Secretary
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

Kalani Reyes
Founder
Deep Pacific Collective of Pacific Peoples

10:10 – 11:25a

Plenary Session IV: Advancing Marine Protected Areas for Communities, Ecosystems, and Climate

MODERATOR:

Keone Nakoa
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Insular and International Affairs
U.S. Department of the Interior

SPEAKERS:

Maya Delaney
Youth Climate Ambassador, The Bahamas Associate
Ocean Risk and Resilience Action Alliance (ORRAA)

Melissa Garvey
Global Director, Ocean Protection
The Nature Conservancy

Steven Victor
Minister, Agriculture, Fisheries, and the Environment
Republic of Palau

Chairwoman Violet Sage Walker
Tribal Chair
Northern Chumash Tribal Council

Duane Fraser
Board Member
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

11:25a – 1:00p

Lunch

1:00 – 2:15p

Plenary Session V: Achieving a Safe, Just and Secure Ocean

MODERATOR:

Masanori Kobayashi
Senior Research Fellow
Ocean Policy Research Institute – Sasakawa Peace Foundation

SPEAKERS:

Rear Admiral Matthew W. Sibley

Commander, Fourteenth Coast Guard District
U.S. Coast Guard

Captain Loic Moudouma

Former Chief of Navy
Gabonese Republic

Dr. Manumatavai Tupou-Roosen

Director General
Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency

The Honorable John M. Silk

Minister of Foreign Affairs
Republic of the Marshall Islands

David Willima

Research Officer
Institute for Security Studies

2:20 – 2:50p

Conversation on Partnerships for the Ocean: New Directions and Initiatives

MODERATOR:

Taholo Kami

SPEAKERS:

John F. Kerry

Special Presidential Envoy for Climate
United States

Surangel S. Whipps Jr.

President
Republic of Palau

Marc Benioff

Chairman and CEO
Salesforce

Dona Bertarelli

Chair
Bertarelli Foundation

Ted Waitt

Chairman
Waitt Foundation

3:05 – 4:20p

Plenary Session VI: Tackling Marine Pollution

MODERATOR:

Dr. Robert Richmond

Research Professor and Director, Kewalo Marine Laboratory
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

SPEAKERS:

Swietenia Puspa Lestari

Founder and Executive Director
Divers Clean Action (DCA)

Tzi-Chin Chang

Minister, Environmental Protection Administration
Taiwan

Nik Strong-Cvetich

Executive Director
Save the Waves Coalition

Simon Bennett

General Manager, Sustainable Development
Swire Shipping

Ingrid Giskes

Director, Global Ghost Gear Initiative (GGGI)
Ocean Conservancy

Break

4:35 – 5:35p

Featured Panel II: Toward a "Super Year" for the Ocean: Leadership and Action

MODERATOR:

Heidi Schroderus-Fox

Acting High Representative, Office of Least Developed Countries,
Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States
United Nations

PRE-RECORDED REMARKS:

Fumio Kishida

Prime Minister
Japan

SPEAKERS:

The Honorable Richard W. Spinrad, PhD

Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
U.S. Department of Commerce

Hon. Aupito William Sio

Minister for Pacific Peoples and Minister for Courts
New Zealand

H.E. Michèle Boccoz

Ambassador of the French Republic to the Philippines and Non-Resident
Ambassador to Palau, The Federal States of Micronesia and the Marshall
Islands

H.E. Conrod Hunte

Deputy Permanent Representative at the A&B Mission and the Lead Climate
Change Negotiator for AOSIS
Antigua and Barbuda

Charlina Vitcheva

Director-General
Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
European Commission

Dr. Stuart Minchin

Director General
The Pacific Community

PRE-RECORDED REMARKS:

Taneti Maamau

President
Kiribati

5:40 – 6:10p

High-Level Closing: Looking to Our Ocean 2023

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Milciades Concepción
Minister of Environment
Government of Panama

Closing video – Our Ocean Panama 2023

6:00 – 8:00p

Closing Mixer
Palau International Coral Reef Center