



**WORKSHOP FOR THE PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICA'S  
DEEP SEABED RESOURCES IN SUPPORT TO AFRICA'S BLUE ECONOMY**

**ADSR Project (#OceanAction16374)**

**PRETORIA, SOUTH-AFRICA**

16-18 May 2019

Workshop Agenda

<b>DAY 1</b>	<b>Thursday 16 May 2019</b>
09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-10:30	<p><b>Opening Ceremony</b></p> <p>Welcoming address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Ambassador M Joyini, Deputy Director-General: Diplomatic Training, Research and Development (DIRCO)</i></li> </ul> <p>Opening addresses and presentation of the workshop programme and objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Michael Lodge, Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority (ISA)</i></li> </ul> <p>Remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Mr Paal Bjornestad, Deputy Chief of Mission and Minister Counsellor, Embassy of Norway to South Africa</i></li> <li><i>High Commissioner Lumka Yengeni, Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa to ISA and President of ISA Council</i></li> <li><i>Advocate Thabo Mokoena, Director-General, Department of Mineral Resources (DMR)</i></li> </ul>
10:30- 11:00	<i>Morning Tea</i>
<b>Session I</b>	<b>The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the 1994 Agreement</b>
11:00 – 11:30	<p>President: <i>Mr Michael Lodge, Secretary-General, ISA</i></p> <p>Legal regime governing the exploitation of resources and preservation of the marine environment</p> <p><i>Mr Michael Shewchuk, Legal Officer, United Nations Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) (video)</i></p>
11:30 – 12:00	<p>The International Seabed Authority: role functions and structure.</p> <p><i>Dr Marie Bourrel-McKinnon, Senior Policy Officer- Special Assistant to the Secretary-General, ISA</i></p>

12:00 – 12:30	The outer limit of the continental shelf in Africa : present situation and prospects <i>Dr Edwin Egede, Reader in International Law &amp; International Relations, Cardiff University</i>
12:30 – 13:00	Content and achievements of UNCLOS and its significance for African States <i>Prof. Patrick Vrancken, Nelson Mandela University, South Africa</i>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 – 14:30	The mechanism of ‘reserved areas’: overview and practical implications <i>Prof. Pedro Madureira, Legal and Technical Commission, ISA, Portugal</i>
14:30 – 14:45	<b>General discussion</b>
<b>Session II</b>	<b>Increased regional and international cooperation in support of the sustainable development of Africa’s Blue Economy</b>
	President: <i>Ms Stepane Mohale, Chief Director: Mineral Promotion and International Coordination, Department of Mineral Resources, South Africa</i>
14:45- 15:15	Role of the mining industry to support the development of national Blue Economy : the case of South Africa <i>Mr Eliah RALUSHAI, Senior Geologist, Council for Geoscience, South Africa</i>
15:15- 15:45	<i>Afternoon tea</i>
15:45 – 16:15	<b>General discussion</b>

<b>DAY 2</b>	<b>Friday 17 May 2019</b>
<b>Session III</b>	<b>Prospection, exploration and exploitation on continental shelves and in the Area</b>
	President: <i>Ms Lindiwe Mekwe, Acting Chief Executive Office, Petroleum Agency, South Africa</i>
09:00 – 09:30	The legal framework for activities in the Area: transitioning from exploration to exploitation <i>Mr Christopher Brown, Legal Expert, Consultant.</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Mineral resources of the Area and current status of marine mineral technology <i>Mr Harald Brekke, Legal and Technical Commission, ISA, Norway</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Role and responsibilities of sponsoring States <i>Mr Yongsheng Cai, Senior Legal Officer, ISA</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Contribution of the African Group to the development of ISA’s Mining Code <i>Mr Mehdi Remaoun, Coordinator of the African Group, Permanent Mission of Algeria to the International Seabed Authority</i>
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Morning tea</i>

11:30– 12:00	Role of ISA in ensuring the equitable sharing of financial and other economic benefits form DSM <i>Mr Michael Lodge, Secretary-General, ISA.</i>
12:00 –12:30	Independent operation of the Enterprise : perspectives and challenges <i>Dr Edwin Egede, Reader in International Law &amp; International Relations, Cardiff University</i>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
<b>Session IV</b>	<b>Environmental Management of deep-seabed mineral resources</b>
14:00 – 14:30	President: <i>Mr Andries Moatshe, Chief Director, Department of Mineral Resources, South Africa</i>
	Effective protection of the marine environment from activities in the Area <i>Ms Lowri Griffiths, Head of the Maritime Policy Unit, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland</i>
	Environmental obligations in DSM context: perspective of a contractor. <i>Dr.Samantha Smith, Head of Sustainability &amp; External Relations, GSR</i>
14:30 – 15:00	
<b>Session V</b>	<b>Management and dissemination of geological, mineral and environmental information</b>
	President: <i>Mr Harald Brekke, Legal and Technical Commission, ISA, Norway</i>
15:00 – 15:30	Geological, mineral and environmental data as a critical tool to inform decision-making processes, investments and governance of mineral activities in the Area <i>Prof. Théophile Ndougsa Mbarga, Legal and Technical Commission, ISA, Cameroon</i>
15:30 -16:00	<i>Afternoon tea</i>
16:00 – 16:30	Available data and role of ISA in sharing environmental information <i>Prof. Pedro Madureira, Legal and Technical Commission, ISA, Portugal</i>
	<b>General discussion</b>

<b>Day 3</b>	<b>Saturday 18 May 2019</b>
<b>Session VI</b>	<b>Enabling conditions for capacity-building opportunities for African States</b>
09:00 – 09:30	President: <i>Mr Mosa Mabuza, Chief Executive Officer, Council for Geoscience, South Africa</i>
	The contribution of ISA in building the capacity of African States <i>Mr. Chapi Mwangi, Chief, Contract Management Unit, ISA</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Perspective of an ISA trainee <i>Ms Safiyya Sedick, Taxonomist, Anchor Environmental Consultants, South Africa</i>

10:00-10:30	<i>Morning tea</i>
10:30 – 12:00	Breakout sessions
	<p>Discussion topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How can exploration and exploitation activities undertaken in the Area contribute to Africa’s Blue Economy? Facilitator: <i>Dr Marie Bourrel-McKinnon, Senior Policy Officer-Special Assistant to SG, ISA</i></li> <li>2. What are the capacity-building needs of African States? Facilitator: <i>Mr Chapi Mwangi, Chief, Contract Management Unit, ISA</i></li> <li>3. How ensuring increased participation of African States in activities undertaken in the Area ? Facilitator : <i>Ms Setepane Mohale, Chief Director, Mineral Promotion and International Coordination, Department of Mineral Resources, South Africa</i></li> </ol>
12:00-12:30	Synthesis & recommendations
<b>12:30-13:00</b>	<p>Closing ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Michael Lodge, Secretary-General, ISA</i></li> <li>• <i>Ambassador M Joyini, DIRCO</i></li> </ul>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch