



## Event Programme

# African Academy for Deep Sea Diplomacy: Leadership in Deep Sea Governance

Side Event at the 31st Session of the ISA Assembly

**Date: 29 July 2026**

**Time: 14:00 – 15:00 (UTC-05:00)**

**Venue: Delegates Dining Room**

### Programme

| Time        | Topic                          | Speakers                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| 14:00       | Welcome and framing            | <b>Mr. Thembani Khumalo (Moderator)</b><br>Associate Programme Officer, Capacity-Building, International Seabed Authority                                                                                                  |
| 14:00–14:05 | Opening remarks                | <b>Ms. Leticia Carvalho</b><br>Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority                                                                                                                                           |
| 14:05–14:10 | Official remarks               | <b>H.E. Oumarou Chinmoun</b><br>Secretary-General of the Ministry of External Relations, Head of the delegation of Cameroon to ISA meetings                                                                                |
| 14:10–14:20 | Keynote remarks                | <b>H.E. Ambassador Tommo Monthe</b><br>Permanent Representative of Cameroon to the UN and ISA                                                                                                                              |
| 14:20–14:25 | Overview of the ADSEA training | <b>Mr. Thembani Khumalo (Moderator)</b><br>Associate Programme Officer, Capacity-Building, International Seabed Authority                                                                                                  |
| 14:25–14:45 | Participant reflections        | <b>Mockey Née Coulibaly Horokia Tialagnon</b><br>First Secretary, Mission of Côte d'Ivoire to the UN, Cote D'Ivoire<br><b>Makatiso Morebotsane</b><br>Legal Officer at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lesotho, Lesotho |
| 14:45–14:50 | <b>Closing and next steps</b>  | <b>Mr. Yongsheng Cai</b><br>Director, Office of Contracts Management and Capacity-Building, International Seabed Authority                                                                                                 |