

**THIRTEENTH INTERNATIONAL FORUM  
OF NGOs IN OFFICIAL PARTNERSHIP WITH UNESCO**

Canadian Museum of Nature, 240 McLeod St, ON K2P 2R1  
Ottawa, Canada, 21-22 November 2022

***Mobilizing NGOs for the International Decade of Indigenous Languages  
and the Ocean Decade***

<b>Day 1: Monday 21 November 2022</b>	
<b>09.15-10.00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>10.00-11.00<sup>1</sup></b>	<p><b>Opening Ceremony</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Davide Grosso</b>, Chairperson of the International Conference of NGOs and the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee.</li> <li>• <b>Mr Julien Pellaux</b>, Director of the Division for Partnerships, Bureau of Strategic Planning, UNESCO.</li> <li>• <b>Mr David Schimpky</b>, Director of Secretariat at Canadian Commission for UNESCO</li> <li>• <b>Ms Kasia Majewski</b>, Head, Marketing and External Relations at the Canadian Museum of Nature – to include Land Acknowledgement.</li> </ul>
<b>11.00-11.15</b>	<p><b>Session 1: Introducing the Decades</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Video presentation from <b>Mr Vladimir Ryabinin</b>, UNESCO Assistant Director-General and Executive Director for the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC).</li> <li>• Online presentation from <b>Dr Marielza Oliveira</b>, Director for Partnerships and Operational Programme Monitoring, Communication and Information Sector, UNESCO.</li> <li>• Video interview from <b>Dr Margaret Leinen</b>, Director, Scripps Institution of Oceanography and Vice Chancellor for Marine Science, University of California - San Diego</li> </ul> <p>Introduced by <b>Mr Nick Newland</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>11.15-11.30</b>	<b>Conversation &amp; Networking Break</b>
<b>11.30-12.40</b>	<p><b>Session 2: UNESCO as Global Coordinator for the Decades</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global Action Plan of the International Decade of Indigenous Languages 2022-2032 by <b>Dr Irmgarda Kasinskaite-Buddeberg</b>, Advisor for Communication and Information, Universal Access to Information Section, UNESCO</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> All times are Eastern Standard Time (EST)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online presentation from <b>Dr Rebecca Martone</b>, Executive Director for the Ocean Decade Collaborative Center for the Northeast Pacific Region, Tula Foundation.</li> <li>• Implementation Plan for the Ocean Decade 2021-2030 by <b>Ms Alison Clausen</b>, Programme Specialist, UNESCO Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)</li> </ul> <p>Moderated by <b>Mr Nick Newland</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>12.40</b>	<p><b>Formal Land Acknowledgement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome, and Smudging Ceremony with <b>Mrs Claudette Commanda</b>, Elder, Algonquin Anishinabe from Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg First Nation.</li> </ul>
<b>13.00-14.00</b>	<p><b>Networking Buffet Lunch</b></p>
<b>14.00-15.00</b>	<p><b>Session 3: Building Synergies for Delivering the Decades</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engagement, global communication, and information management (Capacity Building and Literacy) with <b>Dr Liisa Peramaki</b>, Director of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development at Fisheries and Oceans Canada</li> <li>• Development of solutions, resources, materials and initiatives for target groups (Catalysts for International Cooperation) with <b>Dr Rebecca Robinson</b>, Chair of the U.S. Advisory Committee to Scientific Ocean Drilling, U.S. Science Program; University of Rhode Island.</li> <li>• Community of practice: Water and Languages with <b>Ms Sunshine Quem Tenasco</b>, Anishinabe from Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg.</li> <li>• The importance of understanding with <b>Ms Alison Lucre Rodriguez</b>, International Federation of Translators.</li> </ul> <p>Moderated by <b>Dr Teresa Kennedy</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>15.00-16.00</b>	<p><b>Session 4: Encouraging cross-disciplinary actions – Building Resilience &amp; Creating Solutions (Moderated Roundtable)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Nigel Crawhall</b>, Chief of Section, Local and Indigenous Knowledge Systems (LINKS), UNESCO.</li> <li>• <b>Dr Jackie Dawson</b>, Professor and holder of the Canada Research Chair in Environment, Society and Policy and Science Director of ArcticNert and Ocean Decade Champion for a Safe Ocean.</li> <li>• <b>Dr Kirk Person</b>, SIL International and Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia, Mahidol University Thailand.</li> <li>• <b>Dr Francis Hult</b>, Representative of the Universal Esperanto Association to the United Nations and Chair of the NGO Committee on Language and Languages</li> </ul> <p>Moderated by <b>Mr Patrick McCann</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>16.30-18.00</b>	<p><b>Arctic Exploration: Curated visit to the Arctic Gallery at the Canadian Museum of Nature</b></p> <p><b>Remarks:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Davide Grosso</b> – NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</li> <li>• <b>Mrs Magdie de Kock</b> – World President, ACWW</li> <li>• <b>Mrs Lesley Mackay</b> – Vice President, Meetings &amp; Events at Ottawa Tourism</li> <li>• <b>Mr Colin Morrison</b> – Chair of the Board of Directors at Ottawa Tourism</li> </ul>

<b>Day 2: Tuesday 22 November 2022</b>	
<b>10.00-10.10</b>	<b>Introduction to Day 2 – Davide Grosso</b>
<b>10.10-11.45</b>	<p><b>Session 5: Encouraging cross-disciplinary actions – The Need for Education &amp; Lifelong Learning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Xiqui Han</b>, Professor in Marine Geology, Key Laboratory of Submarine Geosciences &amp; Second Institute of Oceanography, Ministry of Natural Resources, China</li> <li>• <b>Hon. Natalie Jameson</b>, Minister of Education and Lifelong Learning and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, Prince Edward Island, Canada</li> <li>• <b>Dr Diz Glithero</b>, Canadian Ocean Literacy Coalition.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Mark Fettes</b>, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Education at Simon Fraser University, Canada.</li> </ul> <p>Moderated by <b>Dr Teresa Kennedy</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>11.45-13.00</b>	<p><b>Session 6: Storytelling: Why the Decades Must Succeed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms Samantha McBeth</b>, Co-Founder of the Early Career Ocean Professionals (ECOP), and representative of Polar Knowledge Canada.</li> <li>• <b>Ms Anneka Vanderpas</b>, Ocean Bridge Direct Action Alum. <b>Dr Michael Roman</b>, Visiting Professor, Academic Advisor and UCBA Sustainability Advisor, University of Cincinnati</li> <li>• <b>Ms Agnes Siteyia</b>, Beats for Beads, Maasai Mara, Kenya.</li> </ul> <p>Moderated by <b>Mr Patrick McCann</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>13.00-14.00</b>	<b>Networking Buffet Lunch</b>
<b>14.00-15.00</b>	<p><b>Session 7: What's Next? Taking Action for NGOs</b> Working modalities and approaches from civil society</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Kaitlyn Lowder</b>, EquiSea Initiative, The Ocean Foundation</li> <li>• <b>Ms Mònica Pereña</b>, President of Linguapax</li> <li>• <b>Mr Lasse Gustavsson</b>, President and CEO, Ocean Wise</li> <li>• <b>Mrs Emma Holland-Lindsay</b>, Head of Public Affairs, National Federation of Women's Institutes, UK</li> </ul> <p>Moderated by <b>Mr Nick Newland</b>, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p>
<b>15.00-15.30</b>	<p><b>Mobilizing NGOs for the Decades</b> Pledges of Action and Support</p>
<b>15.30-16.00</b>	<p><b>Concluding Remarks and Closing</b></p> <p><b>Mr Nick Newland</b>, Co-Chair of the 13<sup>th</sup> International Forum, and member of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p> <p><b>Dr Teresa Kennedy</b>, Co-Chair of the 13<sup>th</sup> International Forum, and member of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee</p> <p><b>Ms Roda Muse</b>, Secretary General, Canadian Commission for UNESCO</p>

	<p><b>Ms Sabina Colombo</b>, Head, Unit for Civil Society Partnerships, Bureau of Strategic Planning, UNESCO</p>
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