09.00 Opening



Ine Eriksen Søreide Minister of Foreign Affairs, Norway



HE Erna Solberg Prime Minister, Norway



Call for action: Penelope Lea Head of the Children's Climate Panel, Eco-agents Norway



Moderator: Susannah Streeter Anchor for World Business Report on BBC World Service and BBC World TV

09.30 Opening Panel: The global response to the threats facing the ocean



Augusto Santos Silva Minister of Foreign Affairs, Portugal



Karmenu Vella EU Commissioner, Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries



Peter Thomson Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean, United Nations



HE Erna Solberg Prime Minister, Norway

10.00 Coffee Break - Meet The Scientists

Dr. Geir Huse

Research Director - Marine Ecosystems and Rescources Institute of Marine Research

10.30 Facing the challenges Part I: Taking action on climate change

Marine and coastal areas are threatened by the growing climate crisis. The risk to the marine environment, our communities and economies depend on how much we manage to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and how we prepare for and adapt to a warmer climate. Enhanced protection for «blue carbon» ecosystems offers opportunities for both mitigation and coastal resilience while the potential for renewable ocean energy and sub-seabed carbon storage is considerable. Deep cuts in GHG emissions from ocean activities are needed.



Scene-setter: Hans-Otto Pörtner

Professor, Marine Biology/Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology, Alfred-Wegener-Institute. IPCC Co-Chair, Working Group II.



Keynote: HE Macky Sall President, Senegal



Keynote: Fiame Naomi Mataafa Deputy Prime Minister, Samoa



Panelist: Aziz Akhannouch Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, Marocco



Panelist: Sam Teicher Founder and Chief Reef Officer Coral Vita



Panelist: Remi Eriksen Group President and CEO, DNV GL



Panelist: Lasse Kristoffersen President Norwegian Shipowners Association



Panelist: Annette Detken Head of InsuResilience Solutions Fund Management, Frankfurt School of Finance and Management GmbH



Panelist: Seong-Hyeok Moon Minister of Ocean and Fisheries, Republic of South Korea



Panelist: Yldiz Pollack-Beighle Minister of Foreign Affairs, Suriname



Panelist: Naoko Ishii CEO Global Environment Facility



Panelist: Sergey Khruschev

Director of the Department for State Policy and Regulation of Hydrometeorology, the study of the Arctic, Antarctic and the World Ocean. Ministry of Natural Resources and Ecology of the Russian Federation.

12.00 Lunch - Meet the Innovators

Moderator: Roger Martinsen Head of Ocean Industries, Innovation Norway

CEO, Ocean Visuals **Kjetil Dent Tranberg** VP Sales of Corvus Energy, Corvus

Norway AS

Christian Testman

Sam Teicher Co-founder and Chief Reef Officer, Coral Vita

Trond Landbø Manager Business Area Renewable Energy, Dr. Tech Olav Olsen AS Leiv Kallestad CEO, Optimarin

Torleif Madsen CEO, Compact Carbon Capture

Ellie MacKay

Ellipsis Environmental, Youth Leadership Summit

13.30 Facing the challenges Part II: Taking action on ocean pollution

Marine litter is among the fastest growing environmental concerns. The world has agreed on a long-term goal of eliminating all discharges of plastics into the ocean, but forecasts suggest that the problem is escalating rapidly. We urgently need better measures for preventing and managing plastic waste, strengthened capacity-building and a new global framework to prevent marine litter. Under sustainable development goal 14.1 the international community has committed itself to preventing and significantly reducing marine pollution of all kinds by 2025, particularly from land based activities. In addition to marine litter, land based activities also include runoff of nutrients and other pollutants from onshore industry, agriculture and waste-water treatment.



Scene-setter: Chelsea Rochman

Assistant Professor, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Toronto



Keynote: Isabella Lövin Minister for Climate and Environment, Deputy Prime Minister, Sweden



Keynote: Simon Stiell Minister for Climate Resilience and the Environment, Grenada



Panelist: Brune Poirson Secretary of State to the Minister for the Ecological and Inclusive Transition, France



Panelist: Simon Lowden Chief Sustainability Officer, PepsiCo



Panelist: Tim Grabiel Environmental Investigation Agency



Panelist: Wilhelm Myrer Founder & CEO, Empower



Call for action: Joi Danielson Program Director, Ocean Plastics Asia, SystemIQ



Call for action: Jacob Duer President and CEO Alliance to End Plastic Waste



Panelist: Tony Ribbink Chief Executive Officer, Sustainable Seas Trust



Panelist: Veronique Cremades-Mathis Global Head of Sustainable Packaging, Nestlé



Panelist: Tom Dillon Vice President and Head of Environment, Pew Charitable Trusts



Panelist: Wang Juying Director General, National Marine Environment Monitoring Center, China

15.00 Coffee Break – Meet the Scientists

Presentation on The Ocean as a Solution to Climate Change

Peter Haugan

Professor ved Geofysisk institutt, University Of Bergen

Jane Lubchenco

University Distinguished Professor and Marine Studies Advisor to the OSU President, Oregon State University

15.30 Facing the challenges Part III: Taking action on overfishing and challenges in fisheries governance

Poor governance leaves the fisheries sector open to illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and harmful fisheries subsidies. This undermines sustainable fisheries management and coastal communities that depend on fisheries for food and livelihoods. Transnational organized crime in the global fishing industry is also a threat to a healthy ocean economy. Concerted and immediate action is needed to ensure robust fisheries management, increased transparency and enforcement, and sustainable fishing practices. This requires political will as well as significant investments in expertise and capacity building – human as well as institutional.



Scene-setter: Gabriella Bianchi

Research coordinator, The EAF-Nansen Programme, Institute of Marine Research



Keynote: Qu Dongyu Director General, FAO



Keynote: Bernhard Esau Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, Namibia



Panelist: Harald Tom Nesvik Minister of Fisheries and Seafood



Panelist: Keith Krach Under Secretary of State, United States



Panelist: Martin Exel Managing Director, SeaBOS





Panelist: Steve Trent Executive Director, Environmental Justice Foundation





Panelist: Reagan Aliklik Minister for RONPHOS and the Nauru Rehabilitation Corporation, Nauru



Panelist: Despina Symons Pirovolidou Director of the European Bureau for Conservation & Development



Call for action: Wayne McCook Senior Advisor to the Director-General, World Trade Organization

19.00 Reception for all official delegates

Ine Eriksen Søreide Minister of Foreign Affairs, Norway



Ola Elvestuen Minister of Climate and Environment, Norway

09.00 Opening



H.R.H. Crown Prince Haakon of Norway

09.10 Food and livelihoods from the ocean

People, communities and nations depend on the ocean for their physical and economic well-being. A healthy ocean is necessary for global food security and will generate higher sustained value creation and help significantly to meet some of humanity's most urgent needs.

The ocean contributes to global food security as a provider of foods with essential nutrients, as well as incomes and livelihoods. How can we ensure access to sufficient, safe and nutritious foods from the ocean that meet dietary needs and food preferences for a growing population? How do we build a food value chain that can deliver from a healthy ocean to healthy people?



Scene-setter: Manuel Barange Director of the FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture Policy and Resources Division



Keynote: Dr. Hussain Rasheed Hassan Minister of Environment, Maldives



Panelist: Aupito William Sio Minister for Pacific Peoples, New Zealand



Panelist: Dr. Shakuntala Thilsted

Research Program Leader for Value Chains and Nutrition, WorldFish



Panelist: Sebastian Mathew Executive Director, International Collective in Support of

Fishworkers (ICSF)



Panelist: Erlend Sødal Operations Director, Skretting Group



Panelist: Rupert Howes CEO, Marine Stewardship Council



Statement: Patricia E. Harris CEO Bloomberg Philanthropies



Call for action: Alexandra Cousteau Explorer, Storyteller, Ocean Advocate and Senior Advisor to Oceana

10.30 Coffee Break - Meet The Scientists

Independent Assessment of Our Ocean Conference MPA Commitments

Prof. Kirsten Grorud-Colvert

Department of Integrative Biology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

11.00 Building a sustainable ocean economy

The ocean economy drives prosperity and job creation. Sustainable growth depends on a healthy ocean. Knowledge and technology put into action through partnerships between governments, science and industry will create opportunities for sustainable use of the ocean in the years to come. Governments must put in place frameworks that allow different industries to coexist, while safeguarding the marine environment.



Scene-setter: Lise Kingo CEO and Excecutive Director, UN Global Compact



Keynote: HE Tommy Remengesau Jr. President of Palau and co-chair of the High Level Panel on Sustainable Ocean Economy



Panelist: Agostinho Salvador Mondlane Minister of the Sea, Inland Waters and Fisheries, Mozambique



Panelist: Bjørn Otto Sverdrup Senior Vice President Sustainability Equinor



Panelist: Elisabeth Grieg Chair Grieg Maturitas



Panelist: Prof. Jane Lubchenco Co-chair HLP Expert Group



Panelist: Janis Searles Jones CEO Ocean Conservancy



Panelist: Gerard Barron Founder and CEO, DeepGreen



Panelist: Ingrid van Wees Vice President, Asian Development Bank



Panelist: Emma Navarro Vice-President, European Investment Bank

12.30 Lunch - Meet the Innovators

Moderator: Roger Martinsen Head of Ocean Industries, Innovation Norway,

Chistopher Butlin Former Marketing for Evoy, Evoy William Pearson CEO & Co Founder, Ocean Bottle

Christine Spiten Senior Corporate Advisor, Plastic & Circular Economy at WWF, Blue Eye Robotics Alexander M. Eide Product engineer Ocean Sun, Ocean Sun

Liane Thompson Founder and CEO , Aqua Al Simeon Pieterkosky Founder and CEO, Aqua Al

Tone Berg Founder and CTO, OSAC, OSAC Peter Hjemdahl rePurpose, Youth Leadership Summit

14.00 Promoting and protecting a healthy ocean

Our ocean is under threat from climate change, overfishing, marine pollution and plastic litter, and not least expansion of human activity in the coastal zone. In a time of rapid change, we must find the best way to safeguard the ocean environment while providing for human needs. We depend on a healthy ocean for our lives and livelihoods and the ocean depends on humankind to act as good stewards to safeguard its future. The ocean and its ecosystem are resilient if given a chance, but that requires political will, effective management measures based on sound science as well as the management tools and enforcement capacity needed for adaptation and marine protection.



Call for action: John F. Kerry Former Secretary of State, U.S.



Scene-setter: Enric Sala Explorer in Residence, National Geographic Society



Keynote: Wallace Cosgrow Minister for Environment, Energy and Climate Change, Seychelles



Keynote: Victor Harison AU Commissioner for Economic Affairs



Panelist: Michael Pintard Minister of Agriculture and Marine Resources, Bahamas



Panelist: Marco Lambertini Director General, WWF International



Panelist: Diva Amon Deep-sea biologist, Natural History Museum, London



Panelist: Vladimir Ryabinin Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO Statement



Yohei Sasakawa Chairman of The Nippon Foundation



Panelist: Martha Delgado Peralta Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mexico



Panelist: Matts Johansen CEO Aker Biomarine



Panelist: Afroz Shah Date with the Ocean



Youth Leadership Summit: Daniela V. Fernandez CEO, Sustainable Ocean Alliance

15.30 Closing and handover ceremony



Ine Eriksen Søreide Minister of Foreign Affairs, Norway



HE Tommy Remengesau Jr. President of Palau and co-chair of the High Level Panel on Sustainable Ocean Economy



Our Ocean Youth Leadership Summit

As an integral part of the Our Ocean Conference, Sustainable Ocean Alliance and the University of Tromsø co-hosted in cooperation with the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the fourth Our Ocean Youth Leadership Summit, which took place in Clarion The Hub parallel to the conference. The summit was an opportunity to inspire, inform, and empower youth participants to build holistic solutions that better balance the needs of society, industry and the ocean environment.