



INVITATION

Side Event: June 9, 2017 11:00 - 12:30 PM
Venue: Room B in the UN Conference Building

Combining Stakeholder Knowledge to Promote Innovation and Transformative Actions in Support of Sustainable Development Goal 14

What are the opportunities for innovation and transformative solutions when combining knowledge and expertise from academic science with the knowledge and experience from other stakeholders? The scientific community is developing a multi-stakeholder Ocean Knowledge-Action Network (**Ocean KAN**) to advance integrated ocean research globally, to chart a course from knowledge of ocean systems to changes in stakeholder behaviour via change in economic, social, environmental and governance pillars of the UN Sustainable Development 2030 Agenda.

From science to a whole of society interface and implementation!

A transdisciplinary dialogue between government representatives, key stakeholders and the international scientific community, followed by an open discussion.

11:00 – 11:10 **Welcome remarks and introduction**, Martin Visbeck, GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel

11:10 – 11:45 **Contributions among others by:**

- **Susan Avery**, Consortium for Ocean Leadership, President Emerita Woods Hole Oceanographic (WHOI)
- **Peter Haugan**, President of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)
- **Naoko Ishii**, Global Environment Facility (GEF)
- **David Obura**, Coastal Oceans Research and Development in the Indian Ocean (CORDIO)
- **Craig Starger**, Future Earth
- **Richard Collins**, University College Dublin (UCD)
- **Mohammed Al Rizeiqi**, University College Dublin (UCD)

11:45 – 12:15 **Panel discussion** – Chaired Patrick Paul Walsh, UCD and UN SDSN.