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**PROSPECTING, EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION OF DEEP  
SEABED MINERAL RESOURCES IN THE AREA: CHALLENGES FOR  
THE CARIBBEAN AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION**

**SENSITIZATION SEMINAR ON THE WORK OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY**

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Convened by the International Seabed Authority, the University of the West Indies  
and the Government of Jamaica

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**



KINGSTON, JAMAICA  
MONDAY, 28 TO 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2011

## ***Monday 28 March***

**09:00 – 10:00**

**REGISTRATION**

**10:00 – 10:30**

**OPENING SESSION – WELCOMING REMARKS**

1. **H.E. the Honourable Dr Kenneth Baugh, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica**
  
2. **H.E. Nii Allotey Odunton, Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority**
  
3. **H.E. Ambassador Raymond Wolfe, Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations and to the International Seabed Authority**

**10:30 – 11:00**

**C O F F E E   B R E A K**

**11:00 – 11:15**

**Welcoming Remarks, Administrative Matters and Seminar Outline**

- **James A.R. McFarlane, Head. Office of Resources and Environmental Management, International Seabed Authority**

### **Session 1: The UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and the Implementation Agreement for Part XI**

**11:15 – 12:00**

**Contents/Achievements of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea**

- **H.E Ambassador Satya N. Nandan, former Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority and Chairman of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission**

- 12:00 - 12:45**            **The International Seabed Authority – Functions, Role and Organs**
- **H.E Nii Allotey Odunton, Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority**

**12:45 – 14:45**            **L U N C H**

**Session 2: Other Institutions Created by the Convention**

- 14:45 – 15:30**            **The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea**
- **Judge L. Dolliver M. Nelson, Past President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea**

- 15:30 – 16:15**            **Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf**
- **Mr. Noel Newton St. Claver Francis, Past Member of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf**

**16:15 – 16:30**            **C O F F E E   B R E A K**

- 16:30 – 17:15**            **The Division for Ocean affairs and Law of the Sea/UNOLA**
- **Mr. Serguei Tarassenko, Director, Division of Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Legal Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations New York**

***Tuesday, 29 March***

**Session 3: The Work of the International Seabed Authority**

- 9:30 – 10:15**            **Mineral Resources of the Area: Types, distribution and the role of marine scientific research in their discovery.**
- **Dr Jin Jiancai, Secretary General, COMRA, People’s Republic of China**

- 10:15 – 11:00**            **The legal framework for mineral resource development in the Area: regulations for prospecting, exploration and exploitation.**

- **Michael W. Lodge, Legal Advisor, International Seabed Authority, Kingston, Jamaica**

**11:00 – 11:30**

**C O F F E E   B R E A K**

**11:30 – 12:15**

**Protection and preservation of the marine environment from Activities in the Area: Considerations in respect of polymetallic sulphides.**

- **Dr S. Kim Juniper BC Leadership Chair in Ocean Ecosystems and Global Change, School of Earth & Ocean Sciences, and Department of Biology, University of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada**

**12:15 – 13:00**

**Data and information to administer the mineral resources of the Area: The International Seabed Authority's Geological Model of Polymetallic Nodule Deposits in the Clarion Clipperton Zone and its CDR**

- **Dr. V. J. Kodagali, Senior Scientific Affairs Officer, Marine Geology, International Seabed Authority, Kingston, Jamaica**

**13:00 – 15:00**

**L U N C H**

**15:00 – 15:45**

**Data and information required to administer the mineral resources of the Area: Acquisition of relevant information and data on the marine environment and its biodiversity**

- **Dr Adam Cook, Scientific Affairs Officer, Marine Biology, International Seabed Authority, Kingston, Jamaica**

**15:45 – 16:15**

**C O F F E E   B R E A K**

- 16:15 – 17:00**                    **Promotion and encouragement of marine scientific research in the Area – The Authority’s Endowment Fund**
- **Mr. Coy Roache, Deputy Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the International Seabed Authority and Member of the International Seabed Authority’s Endowment Fund Advisory Panel**

- 17:00 – 17:45**                    **The Role of MSR in the Identification of Seafloor Massive Sulphides**
- **Dr Ray Binns, CSIRO, Australia**

***Wednesday, 30 March***

- 09:30 – 10:15**                    **Early Results from the Effort to Commercialize Seafloor Massive Sulphides**
- **Mr. Mike Johnston, Vice President, Corporate Development, Nautilus Minerals, Australia**

**Session 3: Possible areas of collaboration amongst Caribbean States**

- 10:15 – 11:00**                    **The Caribbean and the Convention**
- **W. Charles Anderson, PhD (Cantab) Professor of International Law, Executive Director, Caribbean Law Institute Centre, Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies**
- 11:00 – 11:30**                    **C O F F E E   B R E A K**
- 11:30 – 12:15**                    **National and regional efforts to coordinate actions in order to realize benefits from the convention.**
- **CARICOM Representative**

- 12:15 – 13:00**                    **Research and capacity building efforts in Marine Science in the Caribbean**
- **Dr. Jorge Cortés, Marine Science and Limnology Research Centre (CIMAR), Universidad de Costa Rica**
- 13:00 – 15:00**                    **L U N C H**
- 15:00 – 15:45**                    **Plenary discussions on initiatives to harness marine resources in the region**
- **Ms. Claudia S. de Windt, Senior Legal Specialist, Chief Environmental Law, Policy and Good Governance, Department of Sustainable Development, Organization of American States, U.S.A.**
- 15:45 – 16:15**                    **C O F F E E   B R E A K**
- 16:15 – 17:00**                    **Recommendations of the seminar**
- 17:00**                                **Closing Remarks**
- **Jamaican Authorities**
  - **H.E. Nii Allotey Odunton, Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority**