

‘Keeping the Green Economy Blue’

Friday 29 April, Conference Room 7, UN Headquarters, New York

Workshop Agenda

Time	Session	Speaker and description
10:00-10:10	Welcome	H.E. Mr. Gary Quinlan, Australian Ambassador to the UN, will provide an overview of the workshop’s objectives and agenda.
10:10-10:20	Setting the Scene: ‘The current state of the oceans and marine environment’	Ellen Pikitch, Executive Director of the Institute for Ocean Conservation Science at Stony Brook University, will provide an overview of the state of the ocean and the marine environment, including some projections for the future and recommendations for action.
10:20-10:30	‘Living up to the 1992 Rio Declaration and Agenda 21’	Susan Lieberman, Director, International Policy, Pew Environment Group, will discuss key marine related goals/targets the international community committed to at UNCED and WSSD, gaps in ocean governance, and set the stage for discussions on what is needed, and the way forward.
10:30–10:45	Panellist 1: ‘Fisheries and the Blue Economy: How economic policy can improve human-welfare and curb over-exploitation’	Andrew Dyck, Fisheries Economist, University of British Columbia, will present on the current state and potential of the world’s fisheries, including implications for food security. He will also present on prospects for “greening” the world’s marine fisheries.
10:45–11:00	Panellist 2: ‘Restoring our oceans to abundance: making the economic case for reforming global fisheries management’	Tom Grasso, Senior Advisor to the Oceans Program, Environmental Defense Fund
11:00–11:20	Questions and discussion	Moderated by Susan Lieberman
11:20–11:35	Panellist 3: ‘Coral Reefs at Risk – Social and Economic Implications of Reef Loss’	Lauretta Burke, Senior Associate, World Resources Institute, will provide a regional analysis of coral reefs at risk and the social and economic implications of reef loss
11:35-11:55	Questions and discussion	Moderated by Susan Lieberman
11:55–12:05	Synthesis and wrap up	By H. E. Mr. Gary Quinlan