

# Sustainable Ocean Night:

## Marine biodiversity for the future we want

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, South Dining Room, 4th Floor, UNHQ

Co-hosted by



*This special high-level reception is being convened by the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, together with the Government of the Republic of Korea (Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries) and the Government of Costa Rica (Ministry of Environment and Energy). It will gather high-level policy makers from States and UN/international organizations and provide them with opportunities to share their insights on how marine and coastal biodiversity can provide solutions for addressing critical challenges on our pathway to the future we want: sustainable oceans.*

### Programme

#### Special address

- H.E. Mr. Peter Thomson, President of the United Nations General Assembly

*Group photo of guest speakers*

*Short film screening : "Marine biodiversity for the future we want"*

#### Welcome remarks

- Ms. Cristiana Paşca Palmer, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Ms. ShinHee Cho, Director General of the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries, Republic of Korea
- Mr. Erik Solheim, Executive Director of UN Environment

#### Special message for the 2017 World Ocean Day

- H.E. Mr. Luis Guillermo Solís, President of Costa Rica (video message)
- H.E. Mr. Luis Felipe Arauz Cavallini, Minister of Agriculture and Livestock, Costa Rica

#### Call for action to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 14

- H.E. Ms. Karolina Skog, Minister for the Environment, Sweden

#### Mainstreaming biodiversity for sustainable development

- H.E. Mr. Rafael Pacchiano Alamán, Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, Mexico (CBD COP 13 President)
- H.E. Mr. Khaled Fahmy, Minister of Environment, Egypt (CBD COP 14 President)

*Note: Participants are expected to be ready for the start of the speeches at 7:30 pm. Dinner will start at 8 pm.*

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