



Permanent Mission  
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**Stakeholder Forum**  
FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

## The Role of Oceans as a Sustainable Resource That Can Contribute to the Global Energy Transition

An HLPF Side Event Webinar, hosted by the Permanent Mission of Barbados to the United Nations & Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future

*8 July 2020, 12 PM to 1:30 PM (New York time)*

With closing remarks H.E. Ambassador H. Elizabeth Thompson,  
Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations

Chaired by Charles Nouhan, Stakeholder Forum

**12:00 - 12:10:** Introduction and welcoming remarks: Charles Nouhan, Chairman of Stakeholder Forum

**12:10 - 12:15:** Opening message by the Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy Barbados, Hon. Kirk D. M. Humphrey, M.P. (Confirmed)

**12:15 - 12:20:** Remarks by The Chair of AOSIS, H.E. Ambassador Lois Michele Young, Permanent Representative of Belize to the United Nations (Confirmed)

**12:20 - 12:25:** UN-OHRLLS Under-Secretary-General, Fekitamoeloa Katoa 'Utoikamanu on the recognition that island states and other coastal communities need to 'turn to the oceans' to meet their ambitious 2030 renewable energy ambitions (Confirmed)

**12:25 - 12:30:** Ambassador Peter Thomson, United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean (Confirmed)

**12:30 - 12:45:** Mr. Rémi Gruet, CEO of Ocean Energy Europe, on the role of oceans as a sustainable resource that contributes to the global energy transition (Confirmed)

**12:45 - 12:55:** Prof. Weili Cui of SUNY Maritime College on Recent Developments in Wave Energy Converters and Their Potential (Confirmed)

**12:55 - 13:15:** Misters Rik van Hemmen and Michael Raftery of Martin & Ottaway and SurfWEC LLC on the Global Partnership for Ocean Wave Energy Technology and the potential for utility level electrical generation from ocean waves for small island developing states and similar coastal communities (Confirmed)

**13:15 - 13:20:** Respondent: Ahmed Abdel-Latif, Permanent Observer to the United Nations, IRENA (Confirmed)

**13:20 - 13:25:** Closing remarks by H.E. Ambassador H. Elizabeth Thompson, Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations (Confirmed)

**13:25 - 13:30:** Thank you and goodbye - Charles Nouhan

