

The power of partnerships: inclusion, equality and change for sustainable oceans

Sweden's Official Side Event (webinar)

11 July | 07:30-09:00 NY-time – 13:30-15:00 CET



Sweden through Formas, a Swedish Research Council for Sustainable Development

This webinar will highlight the power of change in different forms of inclusive and diversified partnerships on local, regional, national, and global levels that lead to concrete action and deliver on **SDG 14** while also ensuring that **no one is left behind**. This includes the enhancement of gender equality in ocean governance and the blue economy. It will gather diverse actors from both the public sector, business and civil society, and political representation, that will contribute with their perspectives on sustainable oceans and a blue economy. The programme includes selected examples of long-term effective partnerships, which show that SDG 17 continues to an enabler to achieve the other 16 SDGs.

Outline of the programme with speakers

Introduction to the webinar will be made by Formas' Director General Ingrid Petersson. She is the Chairperson of the Swedish Committee for the UN Decade of Ocean Science and has been the chair of the Swedish Delegation for the 2030 Agenda.

Opening speech by Jenny Ohlsson, State Secretary for International Development Cooperation

Keynote speech by David Obura, Founding Director of CORDIO East Africa, a knowledge organization supporting sustainability of coral reef and marine systems in the Western Indian Ocean.

Panel discussion including questions from the audience. The panel will discuss key enabling factors for mobilizing engagement and funding for the oceans while at the same time strengthening ownership and participation.

- Dr Essam Mohammed, Interim Director General WorldFish and CGIAR Acting Senior Director of Aquatic Food Systems
- Dr Ingela Isaksson, Senior Analyst at the Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, coordinating the Swedish Ocean Platform to End Poverty.
- Mats Djurberg, Director at the Swedish National Maritime Museum and associated partner to the UN Decade of Ocean Science.
- Malin Leth, Corporate Partnership Manager at Keep Sweden Tidy Foundation, leading a market transformation initiative for plastic-free oceans and focusing on participatory governance and regenerative processes

Live from New York: Summary and reflections live from a youth perspective by Alexander Dürr, Swedens Youth Representative to the UN, working specifically with Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals.

Concluding remarks by Formas' Director General Ingrid Petersson

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