Models in Environmental Decision-making:
Possible Applications to Deep Seabed Mining From Other Sectors and Regimes

Webinar Agenda

Wednesday, 14 April, 2021
10:00 – 11:30 EDT [Washington, DC]
8:00-9:30 MDT [Colorado, US]
10:00-11:30 EDT [Ontario, Canada]
18:00-19:30 SCT [Seychelles]

Objective: Hear experts’ perspectives on environmental decision-making models in other sectors and regimes that may be applicable to governance of mining on the deep seabed.

To join the webinar, please click on the link in the confirmation email you received after registering for the webinar (or in your calendar invite). We encourage you to join 5-10 minutes early to familiarize yourself with the webinar platform, as we’ll plan to start promptly. Please note the webinar is being recorded and will be available for public viewing afterwards.

10:00 – 10:10 Welcome and Overview of Event
- Agenda review and webinar logistics – Paul De Morgan, RESOLVE
- Introductory remarks – Andrew Friedman, The Pew Charitable Trusts

10:10 – 10:45 Perspectives on Environmental Decision-making
- Stakeholder Engagement in Environmental Decision-making: Elements and Rationale – Angelique Pouponneau, Chief Executive Officer at Seychelles’ Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust
- Surveying the EIA Landscape: Comparing the ISA’s EIA Regime to Other Global Models – Dr. Neil Craik, Professor, University of Waterloo and Senior Fellow at the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)
- The Benefits of Experience: Comparing the ISA to the US Mining Regime – Dr. Mark Squillace, Professor of Law and Director of the Natural Resources Law Center at the University of Colorado School of Law

10:45 – 11:05 Panel Discussion
- What considerations can be taken from the stakeholder engagement aspects of other models?
- What do you consider to be the essential elements of an effective environmental decision-making framework and why?
- How best could these elements be applied to the ISA’s governance framework? What challenges might exist to doing so? and how might they be overcome?
- What would be your top one or two key takeaways that may be applicable to governance of mining on the deep seabed?
11:05 – 11:25 **Addressing Questions from Participants**
- Additional panelist discussions, drawing on questions shared by participants via the Zoom Q&A tool

11:25 – 11:30 **Closing**
- Closing remarks and next steps – Paul De Morgan and Andrew Friedman

11:30 **Webinar Adjourns**

*NOTE: Please note that this webinar is the third in an anticipated series of webinars to be held by Pew and RESOLVE on the draft regulations for seabed mining. In an effort to ensure wide participation of stakeholders in different time zones, the timing for future webinars will be staggered, and sessions will be recorded and shared.*