

**Consulting with Humankind:  
Integrating Stakeholder Voices in Deep-ocean Decision-making**

**Webinar Agenda**

**Wednesday, 10 November**

**15:00 – 16:30 Eastern [Washington, DC]**

*10:00 – 11:30 CKT [Rarotonga, Cook Islands]*

*20:00 – 21:30 GMT [Glasgow, Scotland]*

*7:00 – 8:30 (11 November) AEDT [Sydney, Australia]*

*9:00 – 10:30 (11 November) TOT [Nuku'alofa, Tonga]*

Objective: Hear experts' perspectives on national and international systems for engaging stakeholders in environmental decision-making and explore how these might be applied to governance of the deep seabed in areas beyond national jurisdiction.

*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.*

15:00 – 15:10 Welcome and Overview of Event

- Agenda review and webinar logistics – *Paul De Morgan, RESOLVE*
- Introductory remarks – *Andrew Friedman, The Pew Charitable Trusts*

15:10 – 15:50 Perspectives on Stakeholder Participation

- A National Perspective: Engaging Stakeholders on Seabed Minerals in the Cook Islands – *Alex Herman, Seabed Minerals Commissioner at Cook Islands Seabed Minerals Authority*
- An International Perspective: Public Participation in International Human Rights and Environmental Law – *Prof. Elisa Morgera, Director, One Ocean Hub and Professor of Global Environmental Law, University of Strathclyde Law School*
- A Community Perspective: Encouraging Local Participation in Environmental Decision-making – *Pelenatita Kara, Civil Society Forum of Tonga*
- Stakeholder Participation at the ISA: Current Landscape and Next Steps – *Dr. Aline Jaeckel, Senior Lecturer, University of New South Wales and Research Associate, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies in Potsdam*

15:50 – 16:10 Panel Discussion

- How can regulators effectively identify and proactively engage broad stakeholder communities?
- What are the key elements required for appropriate stakeholder participation in environmental decision-making?

- How can the ISA best integrate the views of stakeholders especially as that includes all of humanity?

16:10 – 16:25 Addressing Questions from Participants

- Additional panelist discussions, drawing on questions shared by participants via the Zoom Q&A tool

16:25 – 17:30 Closing

- Closing remarks and next steps – *Paul De Morgan and Andrew Friedman*

17:30 **Webinar Adjourns**

*NOTE: Please note that this webinar is the fifth 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.*