

Cultural Connections to the Deep Ocean: A Conversation with Nicole Yamase, the first Pacific Islander to visit the Challenger Deep
Co-hosted by Federated States of Micronesia, Pew Charitable Trusts, and RESOLVE

Webinar Agenda

Tuesday, 27 July, 2021

18:30 – 19:45 EST [Washington, DC]

12:30-13:45 HST [Hawaii, US]

07:30-08:45 GMT+11 (on Wednesday, 28 July) [Palikir, FSM]

Objective: Hear from two scientists from Small Island Developing States (SIDS) regarding their experiences with ocean research and from the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia about the importance of cultural knowledge in managing our relationship with the deep ocean.

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.

18:30 – 18:40 Welcome and Overview of Event

- Agenda review and webinar logistics – *Paul De Morgan, RESOLVE*
- Introductory remarks – *Andrew Friedman, The Pew Charitable Trusts, and H.E. Ambassador Jane J. Chigiyal, Permanent Representative of the Federated States of Micronesia to the United Nations*

18:40 – 19:15 SIDS Scientists Experience with Ocean Research: A Conversation

- Panelists:
 - *Dr. Diva Amon, Deep Sea Scientist, Natural History Museum, London*
 - *Ms. Nicole Yamase, Ph. D Candidate University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu*
- This session will provide an opportunity for webinar participants to hear Dr. Amon and Ms. Yamase reflect on their experiences as ocean scientists from SIDS and celebrate Ms. Yamase's achievement as the [first Pacific Islander to visit the Challenger Deep trench](#).
- Questions shared by webinar participants via the Zoom Q&A tool will be addressed as time permits

19:15 – 19:30 Federated States of Micronesia Perspective

- Cultural considerations important to ensuring the effective management of the deep ocean – *Clement Yow Mulalap, Legal Advisor to the Permanent Mission of Federated States of Micronesia*

19:30 – 19:40 Addressing Questions from Participants

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

19:40 – 19:45 Closing

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

19:45 **Webinar Adjourns**

NOTE: Please note that this webinar is the fourth 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.