

**'From Paper to Practice: Implementing the Mining Code' Workshop
A Side Event at the International Seabed Authority Annual Session**

**Saturday, August 12, 2017
Agenda**

**Moon Palace Jamaica Grande
Orion 1 Ballroom
Ocho Rios, Jamaica**

Event Objective: To discuss and provide perspectives on the envisioned future of the ISA: an effective regulator of mining in the Area

This will be done via an exchange of ideas, including:

- *What are the hallmarks of best regulatory and governance practice?*
- *What are the distinctive attributes, and constraints, of the ISA?*
- *Are there lessons that can be learned from other organizations?*
- *What ISA capacities are needed in the future, from the stakeholders' perspective, and how can stakeholders support operationalization?*

7:45 ***Meet at the Spanish Court Hotel (1 St. Lucia Avenue) for transport from Kingston to Moon Palace Jamaica Grande. Bus departs at 8:00.***

10:30 – 11:00 **Registration (Coffee and Light Refreshments Available)**

11:00 – 11:15 Welcome and Agenda Review

- Introductions and overview of the workshop – *Paul De Morgan, RESOLVE*
- Opening remarks – *Conn Nugent, Pew Charitable Trust*

11:15 – 12:15 Panel #1 – Setting the Context

11:15 – 11:30 What new functions will the ISA need to perform to oversee exploitation? – *Hannah Lily, Commonwealth Secretariat*

11:30 – 11:45 How do other organizations manage such responsibilities? – *Dr. Kenneth Oye, Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

11:45 – 12:15 Plenary questions and discussion

12:15 – 13:15 **Lunch [Provided]**

13:15 – 14:15 Panel #2 – Stakeholder Perspectives Roundtable

- Each stakeholder will provide a brief opening statement (2 minutes) regarding their interests and what they envision the ISA doing in 10 years

1. A Contractor perspective – *Jennifer Warren, UK Seabed Resources*

2. Sponsoring State perspectives – *Paul Lynch, Cook Islands Seabed Minerals Authority, and Xinmin Ma, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China*

3. A non-contracting State perspective – *Joshua Tuhumwire, Gondwana Geoscience Consulting Ltd., Uganda*

4. An environmental NGO perspective – *Matt Gianni, Deep Sea Conservation Coalition*

- In a facilitated roundtable conversation, the participants will discuss:
 - What capacities (and obligations) does my stakeholder community need from the ISA in the coming extraction era (from both a governance and regulatory perspective)?
 - What can other stakeholders contribute to support operationalizing the Exploitation Code?
- Remaining time for questions and additional insights by the other participants

14:15 – 15:30 Small Group Discussions

- Each table will discuss the following questions and address:
 - Key governance and regulatory considerations
 - Outstanding issues, opportunities, and concerns
 - Implications and next steps

Questions:

1. What institutional capacities will the ISA require to effectively govern and regulate DSM exploitation?
2. What challenges might the ISA face in transitioning? How would you envision those being addressed?
3. What can be learned from other experiences in other jurisdictions?

15:30 – 15:45 **Break**

15:45 – 16:45 Plenary Discussions

15:45 – 16:05 Question #1 (same approach for each):

- One table presents brief overview of discussions
- Other tables share additional thoughts (not already raised)
- Other participants' pose questions and offer comments

16:05 – 16:25 Question #2

16:25 – 16:45 Question #3

16:45 – 17:20 Plenary: Open Discussion

- Opportunity for plenary to explore and discuss themes and issues emerging from day's deliberations that can be addressed through on-going development of the Mining Code

17:20 – 17:30 Wrap-up and Acknowledgments

17:30 **Adjourn Side Event**

NOTE: the Side Event will be followed by a reception and dinner at the hotel; a bus back to Kingston will be available after dinner for those individuals not spending the evening in Ocho Rios departing from the main entrance of the hotel at 7:30 p.m.

Bus transfers back to Kingston on Sunday, August 13 will depart from the main entrance of the hotel at 4:00 p.m.