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- **Time (Beijing Time; UTC/GMT+8):**

14:00-17:30, September 1, 2022

09:00-17:00, September 2, 2022

- **Zoom Information**

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- ◇ A roll call will be held for visual & audio testing at 13:30 p.m. September 1, 8:30 a.m. September 2 and 13:30 p.m. September 2.
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# AGENDA

**September 1, 2022** 14:00-17:30(Beijing Time; UTC/GMT+8)·Beijing/Virtual

**September 2, 2022** 09:00-17:00(Beijing Time; UTC/GMT+8)·Beijing/Virtual

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## DAY 1: Thursday, September 1, 2022

(14:00-17:30)

14:00-14:50

### Opening Ceremony

- Opening remarks**  **H.E. Wang Yi** State Councilor and Foreign Minister, P.R.C.  
 **H.E. Miguel de Serpa Soares** Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and UN Legal Counsel
- Keynote Speeches**  **H.E. Xie Feng** Vice Minister of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, P.R.C.: China and the implementation of the Convention  
 **H.E. Zhang Zhanhai** Chief Engineer of Ministry of Natural Resources, P.R.C.: China and marine sustainable development
- Moderator**  **H.E. Jia Guide** Director General of the Treaty and Law Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, P.R.C.

15:00-16:15


### Session I

**Moderator**


 **Forty years of achievements and developments of the Convention**

**Prof. Rahmat Mohamad** Former Secretary-General of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization


**Speakers**  
(20 min each)

 The Convention's contribution to the development of the law of the sea and international law

**Prof. Stefan Talmon** Professor of Law at the University of Bonn

 The achievements of the Convention in the maritime field over the past 40 years

**Dr. Zhang Haiwen** Director General of China Institute for Marine Affairs


 UNCLOS at 40: future challenges facing the law of the sea

**Judge Albert Hoffmann** President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

16:15-17:30

### Session II

**Moderator**


 **International Seabed Area and the outer continental shelf**

**Judge Neeru Chadha** Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea


**Speakers**  
(20 min each)

 International Seabed Area and sustainable ocean development

**H.E. Md Khurshed Alam** Secretary (Maritime Affairs Unit), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh

 Formulation of regulations for exploitation of resources in the International Seabed Area

**H.E. Michael Lodge** Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority

 Achievements and challenges of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

**H.E. Adnan Rashid Nasser Al-Azri** Chair of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

**DAY 2: Friday, September 2, 2022**  
(9:00-17:00)

09:00-10:15

**Session III**

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| <b>Moderator</b>                 |  <b>Law of the Sea Dispute Settlement</b>   | <b>Judge Duan Jielong</b> Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea   |
| <b>Speakers</b><br>(20 min each) |  The status and role of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea<br> The settlement of maritime delimitation disputes: an international perspective<br> Establishment of Jurisdiction and Application of the Principle of Consent | <b>Judge Kriangsak Kittichaisaree</b> Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea<br><b>Prof. Sienho YEE</b> Professor of China Foreign Affairs University; Member of the Institut de Droit International<br><b>Prof. Sean Murphy</b> Professor of International Law, George Washington University Law School |

10:15-11:30

**Session IV**

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| <b>Moderator</b>                 |  <b>Interaction between the Convention and other Mechanisms</b>  | <b>Prof. Natalie Klein</b> Professor of Law at the University of New South Wales   |
| <b>Speakers</b><br>(20 min each) |  The Convention and the International Maritime Organization<br> The Convention and Polar Governance<br> The Convention and Regional Fisheries Management Organizations | <b>H.E. Lim Ki-tack</b> Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization<br><b>Prof. Zou Keyuan</b> Harris Professor of International Law at the Lancashire Law School of the University of Central Lancashire<br><b>Prof. Huang Shuolin</b> Vice President of the Shanghai Ocean University |

**Lunch Break**

14:00-15:30

### Session V

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| <b>Moderator</b>                 |  <b>New Frontiers of the Law of the Sea</b>                                     | <b>H.E. Chris Whomersley</b> Former Deputy Legal Adviser of the United Kingdom's Foreign and Commonwealth Office  |
| <b>Speakers</b><br>(20 min each) |  New issues on marine environmental protection such as plastics debris and MPAs | <b>Prof. Jorge Vinuales</b> Professor of the University of Cambridge; Member of the Institut de Droit International   |
|                                  |  Negotiations on the BBNJ Agreement   | <b>H.E. Rena Lee</b> Ambassador of Singapore for the Law of the Sea and Marine Affairs; President of the Intergovernmental Conference to negotiate the BBNJ Agreement |
|                                  |  Negotiations on the BBNJ Agreement   | <b>H.E. Munir Akram</b> Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations in New York; Chair of the Group of 77 and China                     |
|                                  |  Sea level rise  | <b>Prof. Vasco Becker-Weinberg</b> Professor of Law at the NOVA University Lisbon   |

15:30-16:45

### Session VI

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| <b>Moderator</b>                 |  <b>The Convention and Marine Cooperation at both International and Regional levels</b> | <b>Dr. Wu Shicun</b> Founding President of the National Institute for South China Sea Studies; Director of the Council of China-Southeast Asia Research Center on the South China Sea |
| <b>Speakers</b><br>(20 min each) |  Regional maritime cooperation  | <b>Dr. Jusuf Wanandi</b> Founder and Executive Director of Indonesia Center for Strategic and International Studies   |
|                                  |  Maritime capacity building and technology transfer                                     | <b>Dr. Vladimir Ryabinin</b> Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO  |
|                                  |  Law of the sea cooperation: European experiences                                       | <b>Prof. Maria Gavouneli</b> Professor of International Law at the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens   |

16:45-17:00

### Closing Ceremony

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| <b>Moderator</b> |  <b>Ms. Chen Danhong</b> Director General of the International Cooperation Department of the Ministry of Natural Resources, P.R.C. |  |
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