



Celebrating GESAMP 50 years

15:00-18:00, Tuesday 10 September 2019 Trusteeship Council Chamber, UN Headquarters

15:00-15:15 Opening and welcome

Welcome remarks by Hiroyuki Yamada, Administrative Secretary of GESAMP, Director Marine Environment Division, International Maritime Organization (IMO)

Welcome remarks by Peter Kershaw, Chair of GESAMP

Welcome remarks by the co-host, Gabriele Goettsche-Wanli, Director, UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (DOALOS/OLA)

15:15-16:40 50 years of supporting the UN – Celebrating GESAMP's achievements and milestones

Moderator: Mike Huber, GESAMP Member Emeritus

"What is GESAMP and how does it support the UN" Peter Kershaw, GESAMP Chair

"Five decades – five main achievements: GESAMP through the years" Prof. Emeritus Bob Duce, past Chair of GESAMP and WG 38 Chair

"The importance of ocean science"

Juliette Rosita Riley, Deputy Permanent Representative of Barbados to the UN, Co-Chair of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects

"GESAMP: A Member State perspective" Ambassador Olof Skoog, Permanent Mission of Sweden to the UN

Panel discussion: GESAMP's main achievements and past challenges



16:40-17:50 The next 50 years – Remaining relevant for the UN and beyond

Moderator: Sylvia Sander, IAEA Technical Secretary of GESAMP

"What can GESAMP contribute to the future needs of the UN and Member States?" David Vousden, GESAMP Member

"What are the future challenges in marine environmental protection?" Dr. Wendy Watson-Wright, CEO, Ocean Frontier Institute

"How can GESAMP support the needs of the Sponsoring Organizations going forward?" Henrik Enevoldsen, IOC-Technical Secretary of GESAMP

Panel discussion: GESAMP's strengths and challenges in the next decade.

17:50-18:00 Closing

Final words (summary of discussions and looking ahead) Peter Kershaw, Chair of GESAMP

Thank you from the hosts

Andrew Hudson, UNDP Technical Secretary of GESAMP, Head, UNDP Water and Ocean Governance Programme

Followed by a reception at the Sputnik Lounge, UN Headquarters





