

US Marine Biodiversity Observation Network (MBON) Dialogues

Friday, May 10, 2024, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Hotel Silver Spring
8727 Colesville Road

Silver Spring, MD

Register at [this link](#); Meeting [website](#)

9:30-11:00 Plenary

Welcome, Woody Turner (NASA) and Gabrielle Canonico (NOAA; US IOOS)

- Vision of MBON and how to contribute
- Importance of strategic partnerships

MBON Updates and Review, Frank Muller-Karger (USF)

- Takeaways and actions from NOLA meeting

General Discussion

- UN International Day for Biological Diversity, May 22
- [Capitol Hill Ocean Week](#) (CHOW), June 4-6
- National Ocean Biodiversity Strategy and National Aquatic eDNA Strategy
- Communications going forward

11:00-12:00 Getting Beyond the Federal Sphere: MBON for Society
(Introduction, Woody Turner; Moderator, Frank Muller-Karger)

- Samy Muaddi, T Rowe Price, confirmed
- Ruth Sotomayor, World Bank, confirmed

12:00-1:30 Lunch (on your own but bring food back to The Hotel in Silver Spring)

1:30-2:30 Getting Beyond the Federal Sphere: MBON for Society (continued)
Engaging the Private Sector on Standards for Biodiversity Observing
and Opportunities for Data Sharing
(Moderator, Frank Muller-Karger)

- Laura Stone, WWF, confirmed
- David Millar, Fugro, confirmed

2:30-2:45 Open Discussion

2:45-3:00 Wrap-up: Final Thoughts and Next Steps