

## 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](#)

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- 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)
- Laura Stone, WWF, confirmed
  - 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)
- David Millar, Fugro, confirmed
- 2:30-2:45 Open Discussion
- 2:45-3:00 Wrap-up: Final Thoughts and Next Steps