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8th OCEAN DIALOGUE 40th Anniversary of UNCLOS: Promoting Maritime Cooperation in Southeast Asia

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Date and time: 08.30 – 17.00 (UTC+7), Wednesday 29th June, 2022

Location: Melia Hotel, 44B Ly Thuong Kiet, Hoan Kiem, Hanoi, Vietnam

28th June 2022

18.00 - 20.00

- Welcome remarks by the organizers
- Welcome Dinner

29th June 2022

08.00 - 08.30

Registration

08.30 – 08.45

Welcome remark

Deputy Minister Pham Quang Hieu

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Vietnam

08.45 – 09.05

Keynote Speech

Professor (em.) Dr. Dr. h.c. Rüdiger Wolfrum

Max Planck Foundation for Int. Peace and the Rule of Law, Germany

09.05 – 09.50

Session 1: UNCLOS and the South East Asia region: under-researched topics

This session aims to explore several under-researched maritime and legal issues related to the implementation of UNCLOS in the South East Asia region, including: (i) the right of access of land-locked states and freedom of transit are provided under Part X of the Convention; and (ii) How the fact of not being a party to UNCLOS may affect the rights and obligations of coastal states in maritime delimitation and marine cooperation?.

Moderator: Dr. Pham Lan Dung, Acting President

Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam

Speakers:

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- **Amb. Mai Sayavongs**

Institute of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lao PDR

- **Ms. Charadine Pich**

Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace, Cambodia

- **Prof. Kentaro Nishimoto**

School of Law, Tohoku University, Japan

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09.55 – 10.20

Q&A

10.20 – 10.35

Coffee break

10.35 – 11.20

Session 2: Emission reduction from shipping and net-zero shipping

This session aims to provide an overview of the negotiations at the IMO for the reduction of emissions from international shipping and the net-zero shipping initiative by the UK. Speakers will recommend policies for regional countries towards a direction more consistent with the 2015 Paris Agreement.

Moderator: Prof. Stuart Kaye

Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, Australia

Speakers:

- **Prof. Michael Tsimplis**

The City University of Hong Kong

- **Mr. Egbert Adolf Naintin**

Maritime Institute of Malaysia, Malaysia

- **Prof. Robert C. Beckman**

National University of Singapore, Singapore

11.20 – 11.50

Q&A

12.00 – 13.30

Lunch

13.30 – 14.00

Keynote Speech

Lordship Kriangsak Kittichaisaree, Judge,

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)

14.00 – 14.45

Session 3: Obligation to co-operate between states bordering semi-enclosed sea: Legal analysis, State practices and the way forward

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Article 123 of UNCLOS provides that states bordering semi-enclosed seas should co-operate with each other in the exercise of their rights and in the performance of their duties under this Convention. In this session, speakers will discuss how the obligation under Art.123 UNCLOS has been interpreted in case law and publications, as well as best practices in other regions. Furthermore, the session will discuss how to enhance cooperation between Southeast Asia countries in (i) maritime scientific research; (ii) exploration and exploitation of the living resources of the sea; and (iii) inviting other interested States or international organizations to cooperate in implementing the obligation under Article 123 of UNCLOS

Moderator: Prof. Jacqueline Joyce F. Espenilla

University of the Philippine Institute for Maritime Affairs and Law of the Sea, Philippines

Speakers:

- Prof. Stuart Kaye

Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, Australia

- Dr. Achmad Gusman Catur Siswandi

Faculty of Law, Universitas Padjadjaran, Indonesia

- Assoc Prof. Nguyen Thi Lan Anh

Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam

14.45 – 15.15

Q&A

15.15 – 15.30

Coffee break

15.30 – 16.15

Session 4: Conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

This session will provide an update on the ongoing negotiation progress of developing an international legally binding instrument under the UNCLOS on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction. This session will also explore the potential future cooperation in Southeast Asia and beyond on these matters.

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- **Ms. Charlotte Salpin**

Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, United
Nations

- **Dr. Nong Hong**

Institute for China - America Studies, China

16.15 – 16.45

Q&A

16.45 – 16.55

Closing Remarks

18.30 – 20.30

Farewell Dinner