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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Contact:	comar@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Meeting of the Law of the Sea Working Party
Date:	4 and 5 November 2026
Time:	10:00, 10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format 1+1

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

a. Debrief of the TEG meeting held on 3 November 2026

b. Outreach updates

c. Specific issues:
    a. Rules of Procedure
    b. CHM
    c. COP Presidency
    d. COP Agenda
    e. Subsidiary bodies, including early nominations
    f. Financial issues, Programme of Work and Budget
    g. Secretariat
    h. Proposed Advisory Mechanism on Indigenous Peoples, Local Communities, and Traditional Knowledge

d. COP1 Preparations (including information on the UNGA resolution)

e. Türkiye's Declaration upon ratification of the BBNJ Agreement (WK 13201 2026 INIT)

f. Draft Hamilton II Declaration on Collaboration for the Conservation of the Sargasso Sea (United Kingdom's NV, 13 February 2026) (WK 13045/2026 INIT, WK 14633/2026 INIT)

g. Update on MS ratifications ahead of CoP 1

h. Information on BBNJ in other relevant instruments, frameworks, and bodies.

3. UNGA Oceans and Law of the Sea Resolution –

- *Formalisation of EU/MS positions on proposals by other delegations*

4. European Parliament Resolution of 28 April 2026 on the role of ocean diplomacy for the competitiveness of EU fisheries and aquaculture

- *Update from Presidency*

5. A.O.B

a. **Informal expert group on BBNJ national implementation**

- Information from the Presidency on the 22 October meeting

b. **Taku Pakasoa Declaration**

c. **2019 Turkish-Libyan maritime delimitation Memorandum of Understanding**

d. **Drone attack against the Maltese-flagged vessel *Chelsea 3* (12 October)**

I. The meeting will take place in the following venue:

a. Wednesday 4 November: **Justus Lipsius, 20.6**

b. Thursday, 5 November**: Justus Lipsius, Presidency room 1, Floor 50**