
3rd Ministerial Conference on Maritime Security and Safety in the Western Indian Ocean

16 November 2023 – Intercontinental Hotel, Balaclava, Mauritius

Thursday 16 November 2023	
09:00 –10.00	Opening Ceremony
10.00 - 10:30	<i>Networking break</i>
10:30 - 11:15	1. Status of implementation of the last two Ministerial conferences declarations and way forward <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Outcome of Senior Officials to be presented by Prof. Christian Bueger, Copenhagen Universityb. Remarks by Associate Prof. Kate Sullivan de Estrada, University of Oxfordc. Statements from Heads of Delegations
11:15 – 12:15	2. Combat against drugs and other illicit trafficking <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Presentation by IOC/MASEb. Remarks by the Permanent Secretary, Prime Minister’s Office, Mauritiusc. Statements from Heads of Delegations
12.15 – 13.15	3. Contact Group on Illicit Maritime Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Outcome of Senior Officials by Dr. Timothy Walker, Institute for Security Studiesb. Remarks by Brig. Y.S Abdi, Republic of Kenya, Chair CGIMAc. Statements from Heads of Delegations
13.15 – 14.45	<i>Lunch break</i>
14.45 – 15.30	4. Prevention and preparedness against marine pollution <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Outcome of Senior Officials by Dr. Peter Taylor, Independent Consultantb. Remarks by Dr. Franck Laruelle of International Tanker Owners Pollution Federationc. Statements from Heads of Delegations
15.30 – 16.00	5. Improving Ports Security and Safety of Navigation <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Outcome of Senior Officials by IOCb. Remarks by Capt. Asiva Coopen, representing Indian Ocean MoUc. Statements from Heads of Delegations
16.00 – 16.30	6. Initiating a Western Indian Ocean Coast Guards Forum <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Outcome of Senior Officials by S.E. Bianrifi Tarmidi, Ministre des Transports maritimes et aériens, Union des Comoresb. Remarks by Mediterranean Coast Guards Forum, V.Adm. Nicola Carlone, Head of Italian Coast Guard (TBC)c. Statements from Heads of Delegations

16.30 – 17.00	7. Wildlife Traffic <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Outcome of Senior Officials by Mr. Adam Pires, TRAFFICb. Remarks by Mauritiusc. Statements from Heads of Delegations
17.00 - 17.30	<i>Networking break</i>
17.30 – 18.00	8. Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Final remarks by Heads of Delegationsb. Concluding remarks by Hon Gobin, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade, Mauritius
18.00 – 18.30	Press conference
