



**Access and benefit sharing models for Marine Genetic Resources:
Fostering scientific research and development**

26 August 2016

Conference Room 12

1:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Description: This side event will explore issues and lessons learned about access and benefit sharing regimes for genetic resources. Legal, policy and scientific experts from developed and developing countries will share research findings and experiences, followed by a facilitated discussion on a possible pathway forward that may foster in an equitable and efficient manner scientific research and development in developed and developing countries.

PROGRAM

1:15 – 1:20 **Welcome** by David O'Connor (IUCN)

1: 20 – 1:30 **Introduction** by Nilufer Oral (Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey)

1:30 – 2:05 **Presentations: Capacity building and technology transfer/access and benefit sharing issues**

Facilitator: Kristina Gjerde (IUCN)

- Lessons learnt in existing multilateral benefit-sharing arrangements: Elisa Morgera (University of Strathclyde Law School, UK)/Elsa Tsioumani (University of Strathclyde Law School, UK)
- Issues associated with access and benefit sharing: Marcel Jaspars (University of Aberdeen, UK)/Thomas Vanagt (Abs-int, Belgium)

2:05 - 2:15 **Q&A**

2:15 - 2:40 **Challenges and opportunities in fostering scientific research through capacity building, technology transfer, access and benefit sharing for developing and developed countries**

Facilitator: Hiroko Muraki Gottlieb (IUCN)

Panel: Elisa Morgera/Elsa Tsioumani/Marcel Jaspars/Thomas Vanagt/Harriet Harden-Davies (University of Wollongong, Australia)/Judith Gobin (University of West Indies, Trinidad & Tobago)

2:40 - 2:45 **Wrap up** by Elisa Morgera

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