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on HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT: GLOBAL PARTNERS FOR GLOBAL SOLUTIONS

“Health and Environment the Oceans and US”

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April 13th, 2017 United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 3
10a.m. - 1PM

Welcome and Opening Remarks:

Dr. Christine K. Durbak, Conference Chair and Founder, World Information Transfer, Inc.
H.E. Mr. Volodymyr Yelchenko, Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the UN
Mr. Juwang Zhu, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA
Honorable Carolyn Comitta, State Representative, Pennsylvania House of Representatives

Moderator: Dr. Christine K. Durbak

TOPICS AND SPEAKERS:

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| “Ecological Problems of the Black Sea Basin and proposed remediation” | Professor Oleksandr Miahchenko , Professor of Environmental Science, Berdiansk University, Berdiansk, Ukraine |
| “Climate Change, Oceans and Human Health” | Dr. Marjo Vierros , Adjunct Senior Fellow at the United Nations University Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS) |
| “Crowdsourcing Platform (Anecdota.org) - its Benefits for Observations of our Changing Oceans” | Dr. Jane E. Disney , Founder and Director of CEHL (Community Environmental Health Laboratory) at MDI Biological Lab |
| “Human understanding and Biodiversity of our Oceans” | Dr. David Gruber , Associate Professor of Biology, City University of New York Baruch College |
| “The Policy Interface of Ocean Health and Human Health” | Dr. Jake Rice , Chief Scientist – Emeritus Fisheries and Oceans Canada |

Discussion and Questions

Closing Remarks:

Apurv Gupta, Youth Representative
H.E. Mr. Volodymyr Yelchenko, Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the UN
Dr. Christine K. Durbak, Conference Chair and Founder, World Information Transfer, Inc.

Luncheon Delegates Dining Room, 1:00 – 2:45 PM (by invitation only)

NOTE: Please write your questions on the provided forms and submit them to the monitors.
Questions will not be answered from the floor.