

CCICED 2025 Annual General Meeting Open Forum Land-Sea Coordination: Toward a Future of Harmonious Coexistence Between Humans and Nature

Host Organization:

The Nature Conservancy (TNC), Xiamen University

Time: October 16, 2025, 9:00–12:00 (Beijing Time)

Location: Diaoyutai State Guesthouse, Building 17, Fangfei Viola

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Land and sea are inextricably interconnected, forming a symbiotic relationship between mountains and oceans. Geographical space not only forms the fabric of the natural environment but also sustains human economic and social activity. In December 2022, the second phase of the 15th Conference of the Parties (COP15) to the Convention on Biological Diversity adopted the *Kunming–Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF)*, providing a blueprint and clear pathways for global biodiversity governance, with protection targets spanning both land and sea. In June 2025, the United Nations Ocean Conference in Nice released the *Nice Ocean Action Plan*, demonstrating a global commitment to take urgent action in safeguarding our blue planet's shared future.

CCICED's Special Policy Study on Governance System for a Harmonious Coexistence between Humans and Nature (SPS Nature) focuses on biodiversity conservation and synergies with climate governance, while the Special Policy Study on Sustainable Blue Economy Under the Vision of Carbon Neutrality (SPS Oceans) launched the initiative "Shaping the Post-2030 Global Ocean Agenda." Together, they highlight the vital role of land and ocean in global climate, biodiversity, and the

future prosperity of humankind.

How can land and ocean work together to halt and reverse the loss of global biodiversity while jointly mitigating climate change? Which forms of natural capital or green/blue finance can help realize the value of ecological products and support sustainable governance? What good practices can be distilled and scaled up to advance toward a future of a harmonious coexistence between humanity and nature?

This forum will invite experts from the fields of nature conservation, oceans, finance, and law to delve into the following key topics:

- Integrated land—sea approaches to implement the Kunming—Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF) and advance the BBNJ Agreement
- Synergies among oceans, climate, and biodiversity to support high-quality development
- Policy recommendations for the 15th Five-Year Plan on coordinated conservation and high-quality development

Tentative Agenda

9:00	Opening Remarks	
Moderator	Zhou Guomei, Deputy Secretary-General, Director-General of the Department	
	of International Cooperation, Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE)	
Remarks from	Huang Runqiu	Executive Vice Chairperson, CCICED; Minister of Ecology
the Executive		and Environment of China
Committee	Steven	The Honourable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Canadian
	Guilbeault	Identity and Culture and Minister responsible for Official
		Languages and Nature
Special	Zhang Xueqiao	Standing Committee Member of the 14th National
Remarks		Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative
		Conference (CPPCC), Member of the Social and Legal
		Affairs Committee; Vice-Procurator-General, Supreme
		People's Procuratorate

9:40	Session I: Land-Sea Coordination: Implementing the Kunming-Montreal			
	Global Biodivers	Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF), and Advancing the BBNJ		
	Agreement			
Moderator	Frank Rijsberma	Frank Rijsberman — International Team Lead, SPS Nature; Global Head of		
	Policy and Public Funding, The Nature Conservancy (TNC)			
Leading	Wei Fuwen	Chinese Team Lead, SPS Nature; Academician, Chinese		
Remarks		Academy of Sciences (CAS); Researcher, Institute of		
		Zoology, CAS		
	Dai Minhan	Chinese Team Lead, SPS Oceans; Academician, Chinese		
		Academy of Sciences (CAS); Chair Professor, Xiamen		
		University		
	Kirsten Schuijt	Council Member, CCICED; Director General, World Wide		
		Fund for Nature (WWF) International		
Commentary	Li Xia	Deputy Director, Foreign Environmental Cooperation Center		
Remarks		(FECO), Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE)		
	David Cooper	Special Adviser, CCICED; Former Acting Executive		
		Secretary of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological		
		Diversity		
	Liu Yan	Former Deputy Director, Department of Marine Strategy,		
		Planning and Economy, Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)		
	Craig Hanson	Executive Vice President, World Resources Institute (WRI)		
	Mark Halle	Special Adviser, CCICED; Co-Founder, Better Nature		
10:10	Tea Break and Group Photo			
10:30	Session II: Syner	rgies Among Oceans, Climate, and Biodiversity to Support		
	High-Quality Development			
Moderator	Jan-Gunnar Wi	nther, Council Member, CCICED; International Team Lead,		
	SPS Oceans; Rese	earch Director, Norwegian Polar Institute		
Leading	Scott Vaughan	International Chief Advisor, CCICED; Senior Fellow,		
Remarks		International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)		
	Su Jilan	Academician, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS); Honorary		
		Director, Second Institute of Oceanography, Ministry of		
		Natural Resources (MNR)		

	Erik Solheim	Council Member, CCICED; Senior Advisor, World Resources	
		Institute (WRI)	
	Pete Harrison	Council Member, CCICED; Executive Vice President,	
		Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)	
Commentary Remarks	Zhang Zhifeng	Deputy Director, Department of Marine Ecology and	
		Environment, Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE)	
	Gim Neo Huey	Special Adviser, CCICED; Executive Director and Global	
		Head, Centre for Nature and Climate, World Economic Forum	
		(WEF)	
		Special Adviser, CCICED; Former Level-One Inspector,	
	Ye Yanfei	Policy Research Bureau, National Financial Regulatory	
		Administration (NFRA)	
	Wang Juying	Director-General, National Marine Environmental Monitoring	
		Center, Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE)	
	Laure Katz	Vice President, Blue Nature Alliance	
	Jacqueline Jiang	Chair, John Swire & Sons (China) Limited, Chinese	
		Mainland	
	Lars Johanning	Professor, University of Plymouth, UK	
	Long Chunlin	Chair Professor, Minzu University of China	
	Ping Xiaoge	Senior Engineer, Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of	
		Sciences (CAS)	
11:20	Session III: Policy Recommendations for the 15th Five-Year Plan on		
	Nature-Ocean Synergies		
Moderator	Marco Lambertini, Council Member, CCICED; Convenor, Nature Positive		
	Initiative		
Leading	Minamikawa	Council Member, CCICED; Chairman, Japan Environment	
Remarks	Hideki	Sanitation Center; Former Administrative Vice-Minister,	
		Ministry of the Environment, Japan	
	Laura Clarke	Council Member, CCICED; Chief Executive Officer,	
		ClientEarth	
	Bernice Lee	Special Adviser, CCICED; Director, International Economy	
		and Finance Programme, Chatham House	

	Mattie Bekink	Chief Representative, Ford Foundation Beijing Office	
Commentary Remarks	Tian Xinze	Vice President, Environment and Resources Division, Supreme People's Court of China	
	John Baker	President and Chief Program Officer, WildAid	
	Wil Burns	Co-Founding Director, Institute for Carbon Removal Law & Policy; Research Professor, American University	
	Peng Kui	Science Director, China Program, The Nature Conservancy (TNC)	
	Cao Ling	Nanqiang Distinguished Professor, Xiamen University	
	Zhou Wenliang	Researcher and Assistant to the Director, Southern Marine	
		Science and Engineering Guangdong Laboratory	
	Fu Qingyan	Deputy Director, Shanghai Academy of Environmental Sciences (SAES)	
	Patrick Yeung	Director, Climate Action, Asian Venture Philanthropy Network (AVPN)	
11:50	Concluding Remarks		
	Wei Fuwen, Chinese Team Lead, SPS Nature; Academician, Chinese Academician		
	of Sciences (CAS); Researcher, Institute of Zoology, CAS		
	Dai Minhan, Chinese Team Lead, SPS Oceans; Academician, Chinese		
	Academy of Sciences (CAS); Chair Professor, Xiamen University		
12:00	Closure	Closure	