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**International Meeting on
Underwater Cultural Heritage**
17-19 June 2019

Grand Amphitheatre, Ateliers des Capucins, Brest, France

Provisional Programme

Monday 17 June	Agenda item
7:35 am	Train from Paris-Montparnasse to Brest, arrival at 11:39 am
12:30 pm	Registration and welcome reception at the <i>Ateliers des Capucins</i>
1.30 pm	<p>Institutional welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. François Cuillandre, Mayor of Brest, President of Brest Métropole • Mr. Loïc Chesnais-Girard, President of the Brittany Region • Mr. Vladimir Ryabinin, Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, UNESCO • H. E. Mr. Laurent Stefanini, Ambassador of France to UNESCO and President of the Meeting of States Parties to the 2001 Convention
2:30 pm	<p>Keynote speech: Protecting, studying and enhancing underwater cultural heritage: challenges and issues <i>Mr. Michel L'Hour, Director of the Department of Underwater and Submarine Archaeological Research of France, Member of the STAB</i></p>
3 – 5 pm	<p>Session 1: The future of the 2001 UNESCO Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage <i>Moderation by H. E. Mr. Laurent Stefanini, President of the Meeting of States Parties</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statements by Ministers and representatives of States Parties and Member States • Contribution by Mr. Vladimir Ryabinin, Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO <p><i>Plenary Debate</i></p>
5 pm – 5 :30 pm	<p>Session 2: Heritage, research and the importance of the public</p> <p>1. Opportunities presented by underwater cultural heritage, <i>Moussa Wele, University of Dakar, Senegal</i></p>

	2. Tourism and access to underwater cultural heritage , <i>Mladen Pešić, Director of the International Centre for Underwater Archaeology, Croatia</i>
5:45 pm	<i>Transport to the hotel, then from the hotel to Océanopolis</i>
7:30 pm	Reception at Océanopolis
10:30 pm	Transfer to hotels

Tuesday 18 June	Agenda item
10 am	<p>Official Opening Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jean-Yves Le Drian, Minister of Europe and Foreign Affairs of France • Mrs. Audrey Azoulay, Director-General of UNESCO <p><i>Statements by delegations</i></p>
11 am	Coffee Break
11:15 am	<p>Session 3 : The challenges of the protection of underwater cultural heritage (Speaking time - 7 min max.) <i>Moderated by H. E. Mr Ghazi Gheraïri, Ambassador of Tunisia to UNESCO</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New developments in underwater cultural heritage research in Asia, <i>Wang Damin, Deputy Director of National Center of Underwater Cultural Heritage, China</i> 2. Allowing the public to attend the excavation of a Dutch East India Company ship – The Amsterdam Project (1749), <i>Jerzy Gawronski, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands</i> 3. The history of the oceans and maritime trade – an essential element in history, <i>Azzedine Karra, Ministry of Culture, Member of the STAB, Morocco</i> 4. The contribution of underwater archaeology to research in Latin America and the Caribbean, <i>Helena Barba Meinecke, INAH, Member of the STAB, Mexico</i> <p><i>Interventions, Questions & Answers</i></p>
1 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
2 pm	<p>Session 4 : The challenges of the protection of underwater cultural heritage (Speaking time - 7 min max.) <i>Moderated by Mr. Toufik Hamoum, National Archaeological Research Centre of Algeria</i></p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At the crossroads of history and science fiction: when robots help studying the threatened wrecks of the depth, <i>Michel L'Hour, Member of the STAB, France</i> 2. Best practices in defending heritage in the interest of the access of the public. The case of the Frigate Mercedes, <i>Ivan Negueruela, Spain</i> 3. Organizing to protect the underwater cultural heritage of South America: the Chilean example, <i>Diego Carabias, South-East Pacific Maritime Archaeology Research Centre, Chile</i> 4. Is underwater cultural heritage in Asia sufficiently protected and valued? A first response, <i>Nia Naelul Hasanah Ridwan, Director, Research Institute for Coastal Resources and Vulnerability, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Indonesia</i> <p><i>Interventions, questions and answers</i></p>
3 pm – 5 pm	<p>Round table : Protection of common goods in waters beyond national jurisdiction <i>Moderated by H. E. Mr. Serge Segura, Ambassador of France for the Oceans</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Protecting global commons in waters beyond national jurisdiction: the 2001 Convention as a model, <i>Mariano Aznar, Jaume I University, Spain</i> 2. Uniting to protect the heritage of humanity located in international waters: the example of the Skerki Banks, <i>Ouafa Ben Slimane, National Heritage Institute, Tunisia</i> <p><i>Interventions, questions and answers</i></p>
5 pm	<i>Transport to the hotel, then from the hotel to the ocean</i>
7 pm	<p>Heritage evening and Reception at port of Brest Welcoming address by H. E. Mr. Laurent Stefanini, Representative of the French Government and President of the Conference of States Parties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit of the underwater archaeology research vessel <i>André Malraux</i> • Visit of the Guip shipyard, a traditional shipbuilding yard
10 pm and 11 pm (2 shuttles)	Transfer to hotels

Wednesday 19	Agenda item
9:30 am	<p>Exchange session between States Parties to the 2001 Convention and the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body</p> <p><i>Opening in plenary, Moderation by Auron Tare, Chairperson of the STAB (Speaking time max. 10 min.)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The role of STAB in the implementation of the 2001 Convention, <i>Mr Adoté Blim Blivi, Member of the STAB, Togo</i> 2. The interventions of the STAB and the contribution of its experts to the service and benefit of the States Parties, <i>Mrs Dolores Elkin, Member of the STAB, Argentina</i> 3. Best practices in access to underwater heritage, <i>Mrs Ulrike Guerin, UNESCO</i> <p><i>Interventions, questions and answers</i></p>
11:30 am	<p>Thematic workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French – Room near Ateliers des Capucins <p><i>11:30 – 12:00 : The legal content of the 2001 Convention and how to ratify it, Mrs. Ulrike Guerin, UNESCO</i></p> <p><i>12:15 – 12:45 : Developing underwater archaeology, access to underwater heritage and sustainable tourism, Mr Michel L’Hour, Member of the STAB, France</i></p> • English – Plenary Room, Ateliers des Capucins <p><i>11:30 – 12:00 : Developing underwater archaeology, access to underwater heritage and sustainable tourism, Prof. Lucy Blue, Southampton University, United Kingdom and Chris Underwood, President ICOMOS-ICUCH</i></p> <p><i>12:15 - 12:45 : The legal content of the 2001 Convention and how to ratify it, Prof. Mariano Aznar, Jaume I University, Spain</i></p>
1 pm	Lunch-Reception
2 pm	<p>Departure of delegations and cultural programme</p> <p><i>Possibility of visits of:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the National Maritime Museum - Excursion in Historic Sailboat (<i>on registration and only for those leaving Brest after the 4:22 pm train</i>) <p><i>Recommended train at 4.22 pm</i></p>
2 pm	<p>Meeting of the UNESCO Network UNITWIN Underwater Archaeology Network <i>Coordinated by the University of Southampton (with restricted access; until 20 June)</i></p> <p>Meeting of the Network of NGOs accredited to the 2001 Convention <i>Coordinated by the NGOs (meeting with restricted access)</i></p>
4 pm	<p><i>Departure of NGO.</i></p> <p><i>(2nd day of Unitwin meeting to take place on 20 June in University of Brest)</i></p>