

Berlin, August 10th 2012

Invitation – Mare Talk
„Rio+20: New developments in Ocean Governance“
at Ecologic Institute, August 29th 2012

Ladies and Gentlemen,

At the Rio+20 Summit, Ocean Governance issues featured prominently in the Outcome Document. Especially the protection of the High Seas gained momentum. The international community present in Rio committed itself to take a decision on the development of a future High Seas Biodiversity Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) prior to autumn 2015. Furthermore, it is likely that one of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) – to be elaborated via an intergovernmental process – will pertain to the marine environment, thereby representing one of the key areas of the Outcome Document.

We would like to address these and further questions related to Ocean Governance topics at our “Mare Talk”

„Rio+20: New developments in Ocean Governance“
on 29th August 2012 between 6pm and 8pm,
at Ecologic Institute, Pfalzburger Str. 43/44, 10717 Berlin

Lucien Chabason (IDDRI), Jean-Philippe Palasi (Conservation International) and Sebastian Unger (IASS) will provide us with brief introductory talks, followed by a discussion.

Please find attached the agenda of our talk. We would be very pleased to welcome you at our event and are looking forward to receiving your registration by sending an email to Mr. Jonathan Schaub (jonathan.schaub@swp-berlin.org) by *Monday, August 27th* at the latest. For more information, and in case of further queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards

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