

04.00PM

OPENING REMARKS

BY HSH PRINCE ALBERT II OF MONACO

04.10PM

ACCELERATING OCEAN INNOVATION IN FAVOUR OF A SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY

This panel discussion will highlight the essential role of entrepreneurship, innovation and investment to develop a sustainable blue economy. The session will bring together experts from various backgrounds who will share their vision on how we can accelerate and scale the development of innovative solutions in the face of the major issues affecting the global ocean.

Panellists

- Baroness Patricia Scotland, Secretary General of the Commonwealth
- Dona Bertarelli, UNCTAD Special Adviser for the Blue Economy
- Chris Gorell Barnes, Founding Partner and CEO – Ocean 14 Capital
- Peter Bryant, Senior Program Officer – Builders Vision
- Filipa Saldanha, Deputy Director of the Sustainable Development Program – Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation

Moderated by Genie Godula, Senior Anchor and TV Producer – France 24

05.40PM

BREAK

06.00PM

2 YEARS OF UPLINK OCEAN: REFLECTIONS ON THE OCEAN INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM

During this session, panellists will reflect on how the World Economic Forum and a global network of partners are working to accelerate the global ocean innovation ecosystem. They will look back on the challenges Uplink has run, talk through the value of innovation platforms like UpLink, and highlight FOA's new Accelerating Ocean Innovation strategy.

Panellists

- Barkha Mossae, Blue Economy Advisor, African Union Commission & Friend of Ocean Action
- Emily Kelly, Lead, Blue Carbon, Friends of Ocean Action
- Yusuf Bilesanmi, Eja Ice Ltd (UpLink Blue Food Challenge winner)

Moderated by Ron Tardiff, Pillar Lead - Accelerating Ocean Innovation, Friends of Ocean Action

06.30PM

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