

IUCN-WCEL ENVIRONMENT WEEK

United Nations Convention for the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) as a Living Instrument: Solutions for the 21st Century

THURSDAY, 3 JUNE 2021

11:30 - 13:00 Eastern Standard Time

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Since the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea was adopted in 1982, unforeseen challenges have arisen. Exploration has discovered that 90% of Earth's biodiversity may reside in the ocean, and the conservation and financial value of that biodiversity's genetic code is now recognized. Ocean observation offers new discoveries and opportunities for ocean governance, yet marine scientific research still falls short of the information needed for sustainable management of fisheries and deep seabed mining. Climate change's cumulative impacts include sea level rise and the possibility of geoengineering. In this webinar, leading experts will consider how the text of the Convention should be used to respond to the needs of the twenty-first century.

The webinar will be the fourth event in IUCN-WCEL Environment Week, a 5-day webinar series designed to explore emerging issues in environmental law leading up to [2021 World Environment Day](#). WCEL will provide language interpretation in English, French, and Spanish. Learn more and register [here](#).

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