





The third edition of the Monaco Blue Initiative, held under the patronage of H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco, will bring together more than 40 high level personalities from around the world, including political and industrial decision-makers, institutions, environmental NGOs and other stakeholders around the theme "Marine protected areas: A win-win for biodiversity and economic development".

Jointly organized by the Oceanographic Institute, Foundation Albert I, Prince of Monaco and the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, the Monaco Blue Initiative is an international network of professionals from different sectors working towards improved and integrated ocean management.

The initiative aims to develop cooperation between ocean protection and economic development, and place an emphasis on the potential synergies between a healthy environment and economic as well as social development around marine protected areas. This think tank comes together annually to combine varying points of view and expertise to focus on a common issue. The main theme of this year's edition is "Marine protected areas: A win-win for biodiversity and economic development". Together we will examine the impact of marine protected areas on existing and other possible activities, as well as the crucial input of local communities for successful development. The third edition will be taking place in the setting of the International Exposition Yeosu South Korea 2012 for "The Living Ocean and Coast".

Under the leadership of H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco, participants from differing horizons will pool together their experience and knowledge of the oceans so as to establish concrete recommendations and partnership perspectives towards a new vision for marine biodiversity protection related with the management of coastal and marine activities based on the vision expressed during the two previous editions in Monaco.

Indeed, the Monaco Blue Initiative has proved to be an effective platform for communication and exchange between the different sectors of activity in previous editions, and this meeting in South Korea will widen our field of vision to the practices of the Asia Pacific Region, working towards a common strategy.

Marine protected areas promote the preservation of vulnerable habitats and threatened species but can also lead to the increased productivity of fishing areas, the regulation of sea utilities, the support of sustainable tourism and most notably the establishment of new activities generating employment and profits.

## Collaboration with the Sustainable Ocean Initiative

The creation of a global MPA network is a current issue for marine protection and the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) has set the objective of 10% MPA coverage for the world's oceans. For this edition in Yeosu, the Monaco Blue Initiative is partnering with the CBD and their high level meeting sustainable ocean Initiative. This event is taking place on the 5th June, coordinating work towards improved ocean management and sharing a strong commitment to its protection.

# **Program**

#### Sunday 3rd June

In the context of the Monaco Blue Initiative, participants are invited to attend the following events of the National Day of Monaco

5 PM

Address and presentation of the film "Océans" by Mr. Jacques Perrin, film Director

5:10 PM

"OCEANS". Screening of the famous film « Oceans » by Jacques Perrin and Jacques Cluzaud within the context of the National Day of Monaco in the International Expo Yeosu

6:45 PM

Dinner cocktail in presence of the Monaco Delegation and invited guests Organized by the Monaco Pavilion

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June Monaco Blue Initiative

9:00 AM

Official Introductions

Official address by His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco

9:30 - 10:30 AM

Current overview of marine protected areas

11:00 - 12:00 AM

Marine protected areas and fisheries

12:00 - 1:30 PM

**Buffet lunch** 

1:30 - 2:30 PM

Economic opportunities in and around marine protected areas

2:30 - 3:30 PM

Governance and social development

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Perspectives and conclusions

## **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June Sustainable Ocean Initiative**

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