



# Convention on Biological Diversity

Secretariat

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## NOTIFICATION

**Subject: First meeting of the *Ad hoc* technical expert group on marine and coastal protected areas, Leigh, New Zealand, 22-26 October 2001**

Pursuant to decision IV/5 on the conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biological diversity, the Conference of the Parties decided to establish an *Ad hoc* technical expert group on marine and coastal protected areas. The expert group was established under programme element 3 (marine and coastal protected areas) of the programme of work on marine and coastal biological diversity. The function of the expert group is to assist the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) in its work on this topic. The first meeting of the *Ad hoc* technical expert group on marine and coastal protected areas will take place in Leigh, New Zealand, from 22 to 26 October 2001.

I am pleased to convey herewith the composition of the *Ad hoc* technical expert group on marine and coastal protected areas. The composition of the expert group was determined by the Secretariat, drawing upon the Roster of Experts, in consultation with the Bureau of the SBSTTA, and taking into account the participants' demonstrated expertise and experience (in the field of marine and coastal protected areas); and a balanced geographical distribution within and between regions. Based on the above, the composition of the *Ad hoc* technical expert group on marine and coastal protected areas is contained in the Annex to this Notification, together with the names of International Organizations invited as observers.

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## Annex

### **Composition of the *Ad hoc* technical expert group on marine and coastal protected areas**

#### **Technical experts**

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Ms. Beatrice Padovani Ferreira (Brazil)  
Mr. Juan C. Castilla (Chile)  
Ms. Antonieta Pozar-Domac (Croatia)  
Mr. Phillip Da Silva (Guyana)  
Mr. Aprilani Soegiarto (Indonesia)  
Ms. Dalia Gudaitiene-Holiman (Lithuania)  
Mr. Mohamed Meniou (Morocco)  
Mr. Kenneth Grange (New Zealand)  
Mr. Miguel D. Fortes (Philippines)  
Mr. John Collie (Seychelles)  
Mr. Nelson Kile (Solomon Islands)  
Ms. Sarah George (St. Lucia)  
Mr. Robin Leslie (South Africa)  
Mr. Per Nilsson (Sweden)  
Mr. Dan Laffoley (United Kingdom)  
Mr. James Bohnsack (USA)

#### **Observers from the following organizations have been invited**

- IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA)
- UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Programme and UNESCO's Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage
- The Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat (The Ramsar Convention)
- The Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS)
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- UNEP Regional Seas Programmes (Caribbean Environment Programme, Mediterranean Action Plan, South Pacific Region Environment Programme)