

Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage for Sustainable Development

World War Shipwrecks in Southeast Asia – threats of marine pollution and looting

6-7 December 2023

Hotel Grand Kemang, Jakarta, Indonesia

Provisional agenda

Wednesday 6 December 2023

Time	Programme
Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Increase the awareness and interest of the local competent authorities for sustainable development and protection of the underwater cultural heritage, with particular focus on WW shipwrecks; 2) Take stock of the heritage and activities in the region, identify issues and challenges relating to WW shipwrecks; 3) Provide opportunities for policy makers, experts and national representatives to discuss and reflect on the subject, and foster regional and international cooperation among stakeholders to face the challenges; 4) Build consensus and identify key actions for preventing environmental disaster and safeguarding and sustainable development of this maritime cultural heritage in the region with due consideration given to the international frameworks such as the 2001 Convention and SDGs.
8:45	<i>Arrival at the meeting venue</i>
9:00- 9:15	Opening remarks
9:15-11:00	SESSION 1. Human threats and impacts of natural disaster and climate change on sunken warships – issues and challenges

	<p>Moderated by Hans van Tilburg, National Oceanic and Atmospheric</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bill Jeffery, University of Guam (Online) • Country presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nia Naelul Hasanah Ridwan, Maritime Archaeology Research Scientist, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Indonesia ○ Bobby Orillaneda, National Museum of the Philippines ○ Ruzairy Arbi, Department of National Heritage, Malaysia • Effects of illegal salvage on the maritime environment – HMS Prince of Wales / HMS Repulse) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Harriet Rushton, SALMO Wrecks Environmental Manager, UK Ministry of Defence <p>Questions & Discussion</p>
11:00	<i>Coffee break & group picture</i>
11:30-12:30	<p>Session 2: Legal Regime for Preservation and protection of wrecks of historical or archaeological significance</p> <p>Moderated by Bobby Orillaneda, National Museum of the Philippines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safeguarding Underwater Archaeological Sites in the framework of the UNESCO 2001 Convention and SDG 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chihiro Nishikawa, UNESCO • World War II Shipwreck preservation: legal perspectives (sovereignty, war graves, etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Craig Forrest, University of Queensland • United States Legal case study: NOAA Risk Assessment & the Battle of the Atlantic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ole Varmer, The Ocean Foundation (Online) <p>Questions & Discussion</p>
12:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00-15:30	<p>SESSION 3. Country presentation (Cont'd) - issues and challenges</p> <p>Brunei, Cambodia, East Timor, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam</p>

	10 minutes presentation per country Questions & Discussion
15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00-17:30	<p>SESSION 4. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION TO FIGHT AGAINST THE ENVIRONMENTAL THREATS OF WORLD WAR SHIPWRECKS</p> <p>Moderated by Harriet Rushton, SALMO Wrecks Environmental Manager</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Sea Wrecks – Toxic Legacies of War <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sven Van Haelst, Flemish Marine Institute, Belgium • Polluting WWII Wrecks in the Pacific: Lessons Learned and Future Directions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Matt Carter, Research Director, Major Projects Foundation (Online) • Mapping the Sunken Ships of the Second World War (case studies in Aisa and the Pacific) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hans van Tilburg, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of National Marine Sanctuaries ○ Yumiko Nakanishi, Cultural Property Protection Division, Osaka Prefectural Board of Education (Online) <p>Questions & Discussion</p>
17:30	<i>Debrief</i>

Thursday 7 December 2023

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8:45	<i>Arrival at the Meeting Venue</i>
9:00-10:30	SESSION 5. The need for collaboration to address the potential marine pollution threats – global and regional initiatives Moderated by Craig Forrest, University of Queensland <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assessment Methodologies for potentially polluting wrecks: Towards a standardized approach<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Jason Peers, Marianas Guardian○ Stuart Leather, Waves Group• Round Tables/Discussions on concrete actions and partnerships in Southeast Asia Group Debriefs & Discussion (60 minutes)
10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00-12:30	SESSION 6. ROUNDTABLES Moderated by Chihiro Nishikawa, UNESCO/ Craig Forrest, University of Queensland <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roadmap/recommendations for future actions
12:30	Closure
12:45	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:15-17:00	Maritime museum/cultural site visit