

Deep-Sea Mining – What next for science?

A discussion with European funded research and innovation projects on what next for publicly-funded activities in Europe

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9:00 – 12:00

European Parliament – Room PHS 5B001

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Introduction

Mrs **Gesine MEISSNER**, MEP, President of the Intergroup

Science Keynote: Why is this important ...

Mr **Mark HANNINGTON**, Helmholtz Professor of Marine Mineral Resources, GEOMAR (Germany) and University of Ottawa (Canada) – Author, Report for the OECD on the economic and resource potential of marine mineral deposits.

Policy Keynote

Mrs **Lowri EVANS**, Director General, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, European Commission

Discussion 1: Resource Potential

Moderator: Mrs **Sofia RIBEIRO**, MEP, Vice-President of the Intergroup

Mr **Phil WEAVER**, Managing Director, Seascope (UK), Coordinator, MIDAS project and coordinator, 5-year evaluation of the International Seabed Authority 2016 – on the evolving science and institutional landscape to exploit marine minerals

Mr **Robert van de KETTERIJ**, Managing Director for the IHC MTI, Royal IHC's knowledge center, and Coordinator of Blue Mining

Mr **Pierre-Marie SARRADIN**, Head of the Deep-sea ecosystem study Research Unit, Ifremer

Discussion 2: Challenges of Deep Sea Mining

Moderator: Mr **Ricardo SERRÃO SANTOS**, MEP, Vice-President of the Intergroup, Professor of Marine Biology, University of the Azores

Mrs **Marie BOURREL-MCKINNON**, Legal Consultant, CNRT "Nickel & son environnement" (FR, New Caledonia), Partner in the PACE-NET Plus project.

Mrs **Ann VANREUSEL**, Professor of Marine Biology, University of Ghent (Belgium), Partner in JPI Oceans MiningImpact project – on the ecosystem challenges as recently published in *Nature*

Mr **Matthias HAECKEL**, GEOMAR, Coordinator of JPI Oceans MiningImpact project

Mrs **Ann DOM**, Deputy Director, Seas at Risk