

Ocean Frontiers: Addressing Global Climate Change Challenges through Nature- based Solutions



SIDE EVENT

Monday, December 9

11:30 – 13:00

Room 1 // Hall 4

The effects of climate change on oceans continue to adversely impact economies, humans, and biodiversity. Yet, the potential of coastal and marine NbS to support global mitigation and adaptation efforts remains underutilised. New science and successful NbS projects will be presented and discussed

Opening address by **Grethel Aguilar**, acting Director General IUCN

Panel discussion:

- **H.E. Carlos Manuel Rodríguez**, *Minister of the Environment and Energy, Costa Rica*
- **H.E. Malik Amin**, *Minister of Environment/Advisor on Climate Change, Pakistan*
- **Dr. James Kairo**, *Chief Scientist, Kenya Marine and Fisheries Resources Institute Marine, Kenya*
- **Dr. Timothée Ourbak**, *Climate Change Division, AFD, France*

Closing remarks by **Francisco Rilla**, *Director, Science and Policy, Ramsar Convention Secretariat*

Moderated by **Minna Epps**, *Director, Global Marine and Polar Programme, IUCN*