

Plastics and Overfishing

- Key challenges for ocean health -



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ABOUT THE GMA / GMAA

The Global Maritime Accord (GMA) is the first integrated and coordinated approach towards the harmonized administration and governance of the oceans, especially the Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction. The GMA Academy (GMA.A), an LISD initiative, is the learning, teaching, research and exchange platform for drafting the GMA.

GMA and GMA.A are focused on the health of oceans in a globally shared effort. They aim to strengthen and support the implementation of the Intergovernmental Conference on legally binding instruments under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the safeguarding of marine biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction.

Members of the Accord development effort include oceanographers, lawyers, environmentalists, diplomats and security experts from Australia, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Germany, India, Netherlands, New Zealand, Kenya, Sri Lanka, United Kingdom and United States.

COOPERATING ORGANIZATIONS

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International Military Council on Climate and Security, Netherlands
The Trebuchet–Breaking Down Barriers / Building Bridges, USA
Commonwealth Security and Resilience Group, UK





Admiral RK Dhowan (Retd), formerly the 22nd Chief of Naval Staff of the Indian Navy, had a distinguished career of 42 years. Since he has served as 5th Chairman of the National Maritime Foundation, India's premier maritime think tank. The Foundation benefitted from his vast experience in the Navy, and formulation of wide range of maritime publications including; Ensuring Secure Seas: Indian Maritime Security Strategy (2015); Indias Maritime Heritage (2016), United Through Oceans: International Fleet Review 2016. In 2020 the Admiral launched The Society for Aerospace, Maritime and Defence Studies (SAMDeS) as the Founding Chairman. Here the mission is to draft the Global Maritime Accord with the vision to Save Oceans for a Safe World.



Professor Peter Droege is founding director of LISD, the Liechtenstein Institute for Strategic Development, and leading international urban sustainability expert. His academic career stretches from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Tokyo to his position as Lend Lease Chair and Professor of Urban Design at the University of Sydney. At the University of Liechtenstein he developed a highly influential Chair for Sustainable Spatial Development, which he held over a period of eight years. He is the author of more than 100 books, chapters and papers, and including the most recent **EarthDecade.org**



Prof. Micheni Japhet Ntiba is a Full Professor of Zoology specializing in Fisheries and Marine Biology at the University of Nairobi where he started working in 1989 to date. He was Chairman of the Department of Zoology and Director of the School of Biological Sciences at the University of Nairobi. He has held significant positions in Government including First Executive Secretary of the Lake Victoria Fisheries Organization (LVFO) of the East African Community EAC) from 1997-2002 in Jinja Uganda. In the Public Service of Kenya, he was Principal Secretary for the State Department of Fisheries and the Blue Economy from 2008 to 2020, Principal Secretary for University Education and Research in 2018, and Chief Administrative Secretary for the State Law Office from 2021 to 2022.



Ms. Aamber Fatima completed her schooling from Presentation Convent Higher Secondary School before relocating to Mumbai for her higher education. At Jai Hind College, she pursued her +2 studies in Humanities and is now pursuing her education in the field of Law. In 2020, she started as an intern at I.I.M.U.N (India's International Movement to Unite Nations). and she now serves as Senior Director. She heads the Social Impact department of the organisation and under this does various social impact activities. Throughout her tenure, she has executed conferences across 12 cities in India, a conference in Belgium and an I.I.M.U.N. study tour in the United Kingdom.



Mr Ulhas Parlikar has retired as Director of Geocycle Business at ACC Limited and is currently operating as Board Director MRAI & Global Consultant in the area of Waste Management & Circular Economy. He has a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering from IIT Madras and has undergone Sr. Management programs from IMD Switzerland. He has a total of 44 Years industrial experience. He built a large Geocycle Business in ACC, India and facilitated utilisation of large quantum of wastes from industrial, municipal and agricultural sources including plastic wastes as secondary resources in cement manufacture. He has served as an expert member on many committees of Holcim, ACC and Central & State Governments of India. He has executed several assignments for global and Indian organizations and has facilitated many industries in India to achieve zero landfill status.



Commodore Sujeet Samaddar is the Co-founder of the Society for Aerospace, Maritime and Defence Studies SAMDeS: Adviser MRAI: Member, FICCI Aero & Def Committee: Distinguished Fellow, CAPS: Member, Governing Council, SIOS: Member Ae.S.I: Former VP-TATA NOVA, CEO ShinMaywa India, Admira Distributed Hybrid Energy Systems. Besides setting up a major industrial complex in India through focused JVs, strategic partnering with Indian and foreign companies and experts operating in the specific areas of aerospace, defence and material recycling industries, his professional interest is to bring in smart technologies to India for sustainable development particularly on recycling and promoting the circular economy.

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