

World Oceans Day

Gender and Oceans Seminar

Monday, 10 June, 2019
8:30-9:30 a.m., K-hub

Join us to learn more on the importance of gender equality for the effective conservation and sustainable management of ocean resources.

Opening Remarks: Deborah Stokes, Vice President for Administration and Corporate Development, ADB

Panelists:



Gloria Estenzo Ramos, Vice-President, Oceana Philippines

Gloria Estenzo Ramos is an environmental lawyer who campaigns to protect marine ecosystems against destructive development projects. At Oceana, she works to fight illegal commercial fishing in municipal waters through the enforcement of fisheries laws.



Rocky Sanchez-Tirona, Vice-President, Rare Philippines

Rocky Sanchez-Tirona leads the implementation of Rare's global initiative, Fish Forever, in the Philippines, a comprehensive and community-led program to revitalize coastal marine habitats.



Emma Veve, Director, Social Sectors and Public Sector Management Division, Pacific Department, ADB

Emma Veve oversees the promotion of gender mainstreaming across all ADB investments in the Pacific. For ocean health this includes ports, sanitation, solid waste management, and disaster risk management.



Editha Santiago, President, KILUS Foundation

Editha Santiago champions how women can protect their local environment through the KILUS Foundation, an organization that provides livelihoods to women by collecting and repurposing discarded single use plastics into reusable bags and accessories.

Moderated by: Anna Oposa, Executive Director, Save Philippine Seas



In May 2019, ADB launched the Action Plan for Healthy Oceans and Sustainable Blue Economies. The Action Plan is aligned with ADB's Strategy 2030 Operational Priorities. Restoring ocean health and promoting sustainable development of marine economies such as fisheries and tourism secures both the essential global benefits that oceans provide and the long-term prosperity of Asia and the Pacific.



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PROGRAM

8.30-8.35 a.m. Welcome Remarks

Bruce Dunn, Director, Safeguards Division, OIC Environment Thematic Group, ADB

8.35-8.45 a.m. Opening Remarks

Deborah Stokes, Vice President for Administration and Corporate Management, ADB

8.45-9.10 a.m. Panel Discussion with:

Rocky Sanchez-Tirona, Vice President, Rare Philippines

Editha Santiago, President, KILUS Foundation

Gloria Estenzo Ramos, Vice President, Oceana Philippines

Emma Veve, Director, Social Sectors and Public Sector Management Division, Pacific Department, ADB

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09.10-09.30 a.m. Audience Q&A

A light breakfast will be served.