

**Workshop for the region of the South Atlantic (between the African and American coasts)  
and the Wider Caribbean area on the United Nations Regular Process – World Ocean  
Assessment**

**Santos, Brazil, 10-17 May 2023**

**Information for participants  
Note by the secretariat of the Regular Process - World Ocean Assessment**

**I. Background**

1. The programme of work for the period 2021-2025 for the third cycle of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects (the “Regular Process”), endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly, includes in the activities for 2023 the holding of regional workshops on capacity-building aimed at strengthening the science-policy interface and in support of the next assessment(s) of the Regular Process.

**II. Host, venue and date of the Workshops**

2. The Government of Brazil offered to host a Workshop to support the development of the next United Nations Regular Process World Ocean Assessment on capacity building to strengthen the ocean science-policy interface, from 10 to 17 May 2023. It will cover the region of the South Atlantic (between the African and American coasts) and the Wider Caribbean area and will be held under the auspices of the United Nations and is organized by the Government of Brazil. The Universidade Federal de São Paulo (Unifesp) is the main local partner organizer through its Maré de Ciência (“Science Tide”) program.

3. The Workshop will take place at the historical area of the city of Santos.

It will start at 9:00 am on 10 May and end at 6:00 pm on 17 May 2023.

Venue: Universidade Federal de São Paulo (Unifesp) and Associação Comercial de Santos (Santos Commercial Association)

Address: Rua XV de Novembro, 195 (Unifesp) and 137 (Associação Comercial de Santos) - Centro Histórico - 11010-151 Santos - SP, Brazil

4. Accommodation is suggested at the seafront region of the city. Please make sure to check item “VIII. Hotel accommodation” below. Transfer will be kindl

### **III. Agenda of the Workshop**

5. The provisional agenda of the Workshop, together with relevant documentation, will be posted prior to the Workshops on the website of the Regular Process: <https://www.un.org/regularprocess/second-round-regional-workshops-2023>.

The Regular Process Workshop on capacity building (Component I) will be held from Wednesday, 10 May until Friday, 12 May.

The Regular Process Workshop in support of the development of the third World Ocean Assessment (Component II) will be held from Monday, 15 May until Wednesday, 17 May.

## VII. Visa requirements

11. Please check visa requirements, as applicable, for Brazil. It is the responsibility of participants to advise the secretariat of the Regular Process if further assistance is required.

## VIII. Hotel accommodation

12. The venue is at the Historical Center, however, that region of the city dies down at night. For this reason, transfer will be kindly provided daily by local partner organizations between the venue and the hotels below. **The local partner organizers suggest for all participants to be at the hotels below or ones near them.** By doing so, participants may benefit from being close to the seafront, where there are better options for restaurants, bars and shops at night and they will be able to use the seafront garden for leisure.

Novotel Santos Gonzaga (4 )

Address: Av Dona Ana Costa 473, Gonzaga, Santos, SP

<https://all.accor.com/hotel/8649/index.en.shtml>

Special rate: daily rate at the standard room of R\$315,18 with internet and breakfast included – the reservation must be done by May 01st only by email (h8649-re@accor.com) identifying yourself as part of the “GRUPO ONU MAIO”

Park Inn by Radisson Santos (4 )

Address: Av. Mal. Floriano Peixoto, 241 - Gonzaga, Santos, SP

<https://www.radissonhotelsamericas.com/en-us/hotels/park-inn-santos>

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Address: Av Marechal Floriano Peixoto, 77, Gonzaga, Santos, SP

<https://all.accor.com/hotel/9611/index.en.shtml>

Special rate: daily rate at the standard room for R\$ 213,18 with internet and breakfast included (standard rooms without fridge, telephone and hairdryer).. Reservations must be made by e-mail to h9611-re@accor.com - identifying yourself as part of the “GRUPO ONU MAIO” .

13. The seafront area, especially the Gonzaga neighborhood, has many hotels

## **IX. Climate and clothing**

As of the issuing of this note, travelers can choose to provide either a proof of vaccination or a negative test for entry into Brazil. Updated rules for entering Brazil can be found at this website:

<https://www.gov.br/anvisa/pt-br/english/updates/covid-19-new-rules-for-entering-brazil>

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## **XVI. About Santos**

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