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Fourth session

New York, 7–18 March 2022

Provisional programme of work*

Monday, 7 March 2022

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Opening of the session (item 1)

Adoption of the agenda (item 2)

Programme of work (item 3)

General exchange of views (item 5)

3–6 p.m.¹

Consideration of the subject matter referred to in
paragraphs 1 and 2 of General Assembly resolution
[72/249](#) (item 6)

Informal informals on marine genetic resources,
including questions on the sharing of benefits

Consideration of the subject matter referred to in
paragraphs 1 and 2 of General Assembly resolution
[72/249](#) (item 6)

Informal informals on cross-cutting issues

Tuesday, 8 March 2022

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

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Informal informals on measures such as area-based
management tools, including marine protected areas

* Replaces the provisional programme of work issued as [A/CONF.232/2020/L.2](#).

¹ The possibility of continuing beyond normal working hours will depend on the financial situation of the United Nations and the consequential impact on conference services.



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Informal informals on capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology

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Informal informals on marine genetic resources, including questions on the sharing of benefits

Item 6 (*continued*)

Informal informals on environmental impact assessments

Wednesday, 9 March 2022

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Informal informals on measures such as area-based management tools, including marine protected areas

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Informal informals on capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology

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Informal informals on cross-cutting issues

Item 6 (*continued*)

Informal informals on environmental impact assessments

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Plenary

Thursday, 10 March 2022

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Informal informals on cross-cutting issues

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Informal informals on environmental impact assessments

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Tuesday, 15 March 2022

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Plenary

Wednesday, 16 March 2022

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

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Informal informals

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Informal informals

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Informal informals

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Informal informals

Thursday, 17 March 2022

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

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Informal informals

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Informal informals

2.30–3 p.m.

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Plenary

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Informal informals

Friday, 18 March 2022

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

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Informal informals

Credentials of representatives (item 4)

3–6 p.m.

Consideration and adoption of the documents of the conference, including the report of the conference to the General Assembly (item 7)

Other matters (item 8)