

# THE OCEAN RACE SUMMITS

## INVITATION

### Presenting Ocean Rights

during the **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)**

**When** 18 September 2023 - 6 to 8 pm

**Where** Conference Room 4 - United Nations HQ

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by 8 September 2023

The Ocean Race invites you to an event co-organised with the Government of Cabo Verde, IUCN, Earth Law Center and UNDP to present principles showing how recognising **the inherent rights of the ocean** could be vital to its protection.

In partnership with 11th Hour Racing - the Founding Partner of The Ocean Race Racing with Purpose sustainability programme and a Premier Partner of the Race, this event is the final leg of a process that has gathered together over 150 experts, policymakers, business leaders, lawyers, Indigenous Peoples, scientists, NGOs, and other stakeholders to develop principles on ocean rights that could form the basis of a potential **Universal Declaration of Ocean Rights**.

The Ocean Race Summits builds on the High Seas Treaty, in which UN nations agreed to steer new rules and a collaborative framework to conserve marine life and restrict harmful activities in two-thirds of the ocean. This landmark initiative paves the way for gaining support for a Universal Declaration of Ocean Rights.

### Speakers include:



**Ulisses Correia e Silva**  
Prime Minister of Cabo Verde



**Peter Thomson**  
United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Ocean



**Marina Silva**  
Minister for the Environment and Climate Change of Brazil



**Isabella Lövin**  
Co-chair of WEF Friends of Ocean Action. Former Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for the Environment and Climate of Sweden



**Valerie Hickey**  
Global Director for Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy (ENB) World Bank



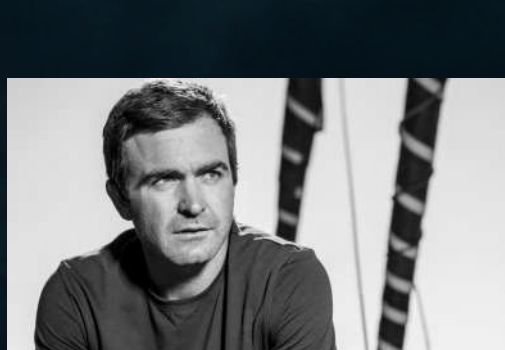
**Minna Epps**  
Head, IUCN Ocean Centre for Conservation Action



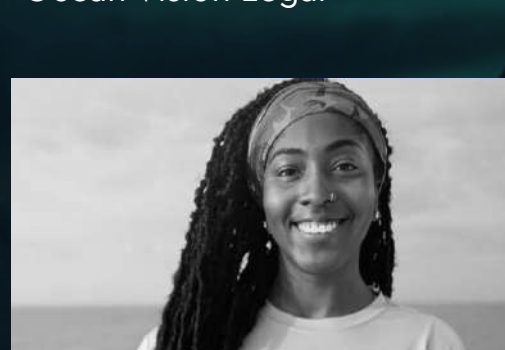
**Petita Ayarza**  
Member of the National Assembly of Panama



**Michelle Bender**  
Legal Consultant, Earth Law Center and Ocean Vision Legal



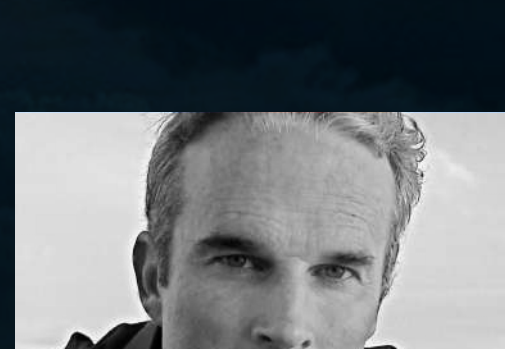
**Charlie Enright**  
Skipper  
11th Hour Racing Team  
Winner of The Ocean Race 2022-23



**Carlee Jackson**  
Co-founder MISS Elasmó



**Carlos Duarte**  
Ibn Sina Distinguished Professor of Marine Science at KAUST (King Abdullah University of Science and Technology) and Senior Advisor in Environment and Sustainability to Red Sea Global



**Lewis Pugh**  
Ocean Advocate  
Pioneer Swimmer



**Richard Brisius**  
Race Chairman  
The Ocean Race

### Host

**Danni Washington**  
TV Host, science communicator and ocean advocate



### Registration

**It is extremely important that all interested in attending the Summit register for the event before the 8 September deadline. Due to security reasons, late registrations will not be accepted.**

**Please note that each participant will be required to present, upon arrival at the UN HQ, a government-issued photo ID or national passport, issued by a Member State of the United Nations.**

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### Co-organisers



### PREMIER PARTNERS



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