

WEBINAR

Asia Dialogue on Responses to Wildlife Trafficking in Maritime Transport

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Every year, hundreds of tonnes of illegal wildlife is detected and seized moving into and through East and Southeast Asia via containerized cargo. Although the region is a destination for much of this illicit trade, Asia also functions as a major entrepot for a range of global trade chains, which depend on trans-continental transport networks to connect supply and demand. This makes them vulnerable to illicit trade.

In this webinar, you can hear the perspectives of leaders in the shipping industry, NGOs and government stakeholders about upcoming developments and responses to wildlife trafficking affecting the region.

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Kanitha Krishnasamy, Director, TRAFFIC in Southeast Asia

A conservationist of more than 15 years, Kanitha helms TRAFFIC's work in Southeast Asia, overseeing its strategic plans and programmes across ten ASEAN countries. A Forestry graduate from University Malaysia Sabah, Kanitha's wealth of knowledge on wildlife, trade and regional environmental policy informs not only the organisation's work but its advice to agencies on monitoring and tackling wildlife trafficking. She designs, develops and implements TRAFFIC's research and survey projects and is an expert on regional ivory trade issues, policy and enforcement in Malaysia.



Mark Watson, Group Head of Sustainability, John Swire & Sons (HK) Ltd.

Mark is responsible for the global sustainability and ESG aspects of the Swire group's portfolio, including aviation, property, marine, beverages, trading and industrial and agribusiness. Mark is responsible for setting overall Group strategy on sustainability issues, covering material environmental risks such as climate change, water, energy and waste, social issues as well as overseeing external ESG investor ratings and performance, and green finance initiatives. Mark has worked in the sustainable development arena for 25 years. He is also the Asia Pacific Chair of the Transport Taskforce of the United for Wildlife.



Josephine Uranza, Regional Coordinator of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), Regional Presence for Technical Cooperation in East Asia

As Regional Coordinator, Josephine plays a significant role in supporting the formulation and execution of the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme and facilitates IMO's input into national and regional development policies. She is a lawyer by profession and holds a Master of Laws Degree in International Maritime Law. She brings with her more than 25 years of experience in the maritime industry.



Giovanni Broussard, Regional Coordinator of the UNODC Global Programme for Combatting Wildlife and Forest Crimes in Southeast Asia

Giovanni's work focuses on building capacity to tackle transnational organized crime in the environment sectors, such as illegal wildlife trade, timber trafficking, and fishery crime. He has 15 years of experience in the field of project management related to criminal justice, organized crime and law enforcement. He worked in Afghanistan, Namibia, Macedonia and he is now based in Thailand. He holds a PhD in Development studies with focus on Environment, a Masters in International Relations with focus on Corruption, and an undergraduate degree in Economics with focus on drug markets.

