

# SIXTH MINISTERIAL FORUM

November 29-30

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The Sixth Ministerial Forum will convene Ministers and senior government officials from the EAS countries, together with key representatives from international and regional organizations and Non-Country Partners and collaborating organizations of PEMSEA.

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### CLOSING CEREMONY

- 09:00 – 09:10      **Introduction of Ministers from PEMSEA Country Partners**
- 09:10 – 09:20      **Youth Statement**  
(Youth Forum delegate)
- 09:20 – 09:35      **Summary of Conference Conclusions and Recommendations**  
**Dr. Chua Thia-Eng**  
Overall International Conference Chair and  
Chair Emeritus of PEMSEA
- 09:35 – 09:45      **Special Message from UN Special Envoy for the Oceans**  
**Amb. Peter Thomson (TBC)**  
UN Special Envoy for the Oceans
- 09:45 – 10:45      **Facilitated Ministerial Roundtable**  
**Ministers from PEMSEA Country Partners**
- 10:45 – 10:55      **EAS Congress Flag Turn Over**
- 10:55 – 11:00      **Declaration of Official Closing of the International Conference**  
**Dr. Chua Thia-Eng**  
Overall International Conference Chair
- 11:00 – 12:30      **Ministerial Lunch Banquet**
- 12:30 – 13:00      **Transfer to Ministerial Forum venue**

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- 13:15 – 13:20      **Opening of the Ministerial Forum Proper**  
**Chair:** Hon. Roy A. Cimatu, Secretary, DENR, Philippines
- 13:20 – 16:10      **Ocean Leadership Dialogue**  
**Perspectives on ocean leadership issues from experts/eminent persons**
- **Mr. Achim Steiner**, Administrator, UNDP (TBC)
  - **Mr. Erik Solheim**, Secretary-General, UNEP (TBC)
  - **H.E. Dato Lim Jock Hoi**, Secretary-General, ASEAN (TBC)
- Interaction and perspectives of Ministers**  
PEMSEA Country Partner Ministers

- 16:10 – 16:20      **Launching of the Regional and National State of Oceans and Coasts (SOC) Reports**
- 16:20 – 16:40      **Signing of the Ministerial Declaration**
- 16:40 – 17:10      **Press Conference**
- 17:30 – 19:00      **Ministerial Dinner Banquet**

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- 08:00 – 15:00      **Field Visit to Guimaras island (optional)**
- 18:00 – 20:00      **Farewell Dinner**

Ministerial Lunch (hosted by DENR)

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- 11:00 – 11:05      **Special Message from Host**  
**Usec. Jonas Leones**  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines
- 11:05 – 11:10      **Presentation of Tokens (Barong) to the Ministers**
- 11:10 – 12:30      **Lunch (Accompanied with short entertainment from Iloilo/ DENR video)**
- 12:30 – 12:35      **Announcement of Transfer Arrangement for Ministerial Forum**  
**Ms. Aimee Gonzales**  
Executive Director  
PEMSEA
- 12:35 – 1:00      **Transfer to Ministerial Forum Venue**

## Ministerial Dinner Banquet (hosted by Iloilo City)

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- 17:30 – 17:35      **Welcome Remarks**  
**Hon. Jose S. Espinosa III**  
Mayor  
Iloilo City, Philippines
- 17:35 – 17:40      **Special Remarks**  
**Hon. Roy A. Cimatu**  
Secretary  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines
- 17:40 – 17:45      **Special Remarks**  
**Dr. Antonio La Viña**  
EAS Partnership Council Chair  
PEMSEA
- 17:45 – 17:50      **Presentation of Tokens to Ministers and Picture taking of Ministers**
- 17:50 – 18:00      **Special Toast**  
**Hon. Jose S. Espinosa III**  
Mayor  
Iloilo City, Philippines
- Hon. Roy A. Cimatu**  
Secretary  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines
- 18:00 – 18:50      **Dinner (Accompanied with Cultural performances/Entertainment from Iloilo)**
- 18:50 – 19:00      **Closing Remarks**  
**Ms. Aimee Gonzales**  
Executive Director  
PEMSEA