Guiding Questions

Capacity-Building and Marine Technology Transfer (CBMTT)

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The High Seas Treaty Dialogue on 1 July will build on past dialogues and focus on Capacity-building and Marine Technology Transfer.

Guiding Questions which could be considered for the dialogue are set out below:

Q1. The draft agreement contains a non-exhaustive illustrative list of seven areas of CBMTT. Examples of each type are then expanded upon in Annex II. Are there any specific examples, listed under the different types in Annex II, that could be streamlined for greater coherence? Or is it important that each of these examples is retained? Conversely, are there are any examples not currently included that might be added?

Q. 2 In previous dialogues and conversations, "needs assessment" have been said to be essential to CBMTT. How are needs to be assessed and identified? Should there be different modalities for needs assessment depending on the different categories and examples of CBMTT? Should the state play a central role in needs assessments - or can the needs assessment be completely left up to private actors?

Q. 3 For the providers, CBMTT might be seen as burdensome. In view of the list of in Annex II, how can CBMTT be incentivized?