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Next Greenovation Forum to Focus on Managing the Ocean

The next Greenovation Forum on "Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning: The Ecological, Economic, and Governance Principles for Managing the Ocean" will take place at 4 p.m. Feb. 22 at Atkinson Hall.

The forum will address the problem of the declining health of marine ecosystems and how coastal and marine spatial planning can be part of the solution. Marine spatial planning is a process for coordinating decisions for coastal and ocean activities and environments in a comprehensive plan—examples of uses would be fishing, recreational activities, environmental protections such as marine protected areas, oil and gas exploration, shipping, diving among others.

This forum features the following speakers: Jerry R. Schubel, CEO and president of the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach; Kathryn Mengerink, senior attorney and director of the oceans program at the Environmental Law Institute and lecturer at Scripps Institution of Oceanography; John Helly,



director of the laboratory for earth and environmental science at the San Diego Supercomputer Center and Scripps Institution of Oceanography; and Erin Prahler, early career policy fellow at the Center for Ocean Solutions.

The Greenovation Forum kicks off with a reception featuring sustainably farmed seafood from the Carlsbad Aqua Farm and is expected to attract large numbers of people from regional government, business and the educational sectors in addition to university faculty, staff, and students. This is the fifth year of Greenovation Forum. Events are offered with the support of the Scripps Foundation for Science and the Environment.

This program is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Please RSVP at http://ssi.ucsd.edu/greenovation no later than Friday, Feb. 17.

For questions, please contact Kelsey Lamberto at <u>kjlamberto@ucsd.edu</u> or 858-822-2521. <u>For directions, click here.</u>

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