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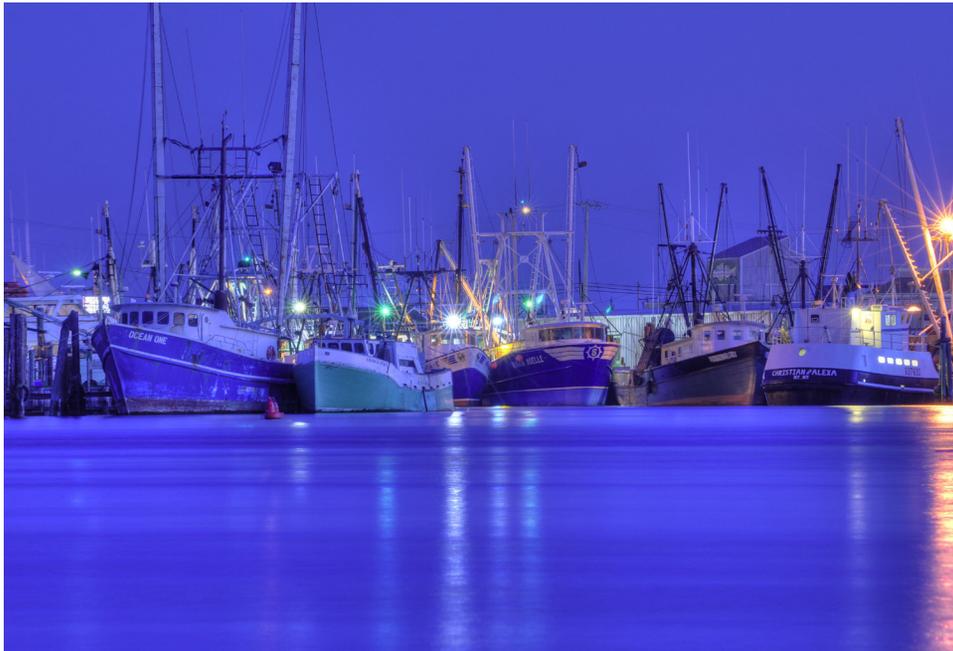
- 6:00 p.m. Reception
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner
- 6:45 p.m. Welcome, Monmouth University President Grey Dimenna
- 7:00 p.m. Awards Presentation, Urban Coast Institute Director Tony MacDonald

NATIONAL CHAMPION OF THE OCEAN: DR. BILIANA CICIN-SAIN

For her dedication to the advancement of ocean research and policymaking around the world, including as the founder of the Global Ocean Forum, Director of the Gerard J. Mangone Center for Marine Policy at the University of Delaware, and as an advisor to numerous boards and organizations, including the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy and to the Joint Ocean Commission Initiative.

NATIONAL CHAMPION OF THE OCEAN: BARRY GOLD

For his work in developing and championing ocean policy approaches that carefully consider science, ecosystems and those who rely on the ocean during his tenure with the Walton Foundation, the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, the David and Lucile Packard Foundation and other organizations.



DR. BILIANA CICIN-SAIN

Director, Gerard J. Mangone Center for Marine Policy at the University of Delaware

Dr. Biliana Cicin-Sain is a world leader in the field of integrated coastal and ocean governance and has forged international collaboration among all sectors of the international oceans community to advance the global oceans agenda. As Director of the Gerard J. Mangone Center for Marine Policy, Dr. Cicin-Sain oversees a program of research, policy analyses, conferences, publications, and advice-giving to governmental, non-governmental and private sector institutions. She is the founder and president of the Global Ocean Forum, initially mobilized in 2001 to place issues related to oceans, coasts and island states on the agenda of the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development and to agree on a detailed set of global ocean targets and timelines.

Dr. Cicin-Sain has served as a policy advisor to numerous international organizations, national governments and U.S. coastal states and counties, and frequently participated in UN negotiations on oceans and coasts. She has served on various boards of the U.S. National Research Council (National Academy of Sciences and National Academy of Engineering), including the Marine Board and the Ocean Studies Board; on the Department of Interior's Scientific Committee on the Outer Continental Shelf; as a senior policy advisor in the International Program Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; as a scientific advisor to the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy and to the Joint Ocean Commission Initiative. She has been the recipient of a number of awards for her public policy work on oceans, including the Elizabeth Haub Award for Environmental Diplomacy.



BARRY GOLD

Environmental Program Director, The Walton Family Foundation

Barry Gold leads The Walton Family Foundation's freshwater and marine initiatives to find lasting solutions that benefit the environment and strengthen local economies. Before joining the foundation, Barry served as director of Marine Conservation at the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, where he led efforts to keep the world's oceans healthy through approaches that take both environmental and community needs into account. This included work to shift fisheries management to an incentive-based system to help end overfishing, rebuild depleted stocks and sustain fishing communities, as well as efforts to advance comprehensive approaches to ocean planning.

Prior to joining Moore, Barry managed the David and Lucile Packard Foundation's work on ecosystem-based management and linking science to policy. Before Packard, he was chief of the Grand Canyon Monitoring and Research Center where he led an effort to restore the Colorado River ecosystem throughout the Grand Canyon. Barry has held senior positions with the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Science, the U.S. National Academy of Sciences and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He has served as board president for the Consultative Group on Biological Diversity, the leading affinity group for environmental foundations, and was vice-chair of the California Ocean Science Trust Board.