

2024 UNOLS Annual Meeting

Agenda

Hosted By: Skidaway Institute of Oceanography
 Hotel Indigo Historic Savannah
 201 W Bay St
 Savannah, GA 31401

Date	Start Time	End Time
Day 1 November 20, 2024	8:30 AM	5:30 PM

Remote Login Information

[Zoom Link \(Also listed on Annual Meeting website\):](#)

<https://washington.zoom.us/j/7wlcceygrDstG92CpxU6QdPVeDIWRM402wFu>

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A [UNOLS Council Code of Conduct](#)

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Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Time	Minutes	Topic	Facilitator
8:30 AM	30	Coffee & Arrival	
9:00 AM		Welcome & Introductions	
	5	• Code of Conduct	Deb Bronk / Bigelow
	5	• Participant Introductions	
	10	• Welcome from Skidaway	Clark Alexander
9:20 AM		Federal Agency Reports	
	10	• NSF	Rose Dufour
	10	• Navy/ONR	Rob Sparrock
	10	• NOAA	LCDR Terril Efird
	10	• Department of State (DOS)	Amanda Williams
10:10 AM	10	Fleet Operations in 2024 & Projected 2025	Doug Russell / UNOLS
10:20 AM	10	Break	
10:30 AM		Outreach and Early Career Initiatives	
	5	• DeSSC Early Career Efforts	Andrew Thurber / UCSB
	5	• MSROC Early Career Efforts	Lindsay Lowe-Worthington / UNM
	5	• Arctic Chief Scientist Training 2024 HEALY	Emily Eidam / OSU
	5	• RV Kilo Moana Chief Scientist Training Cruise	Angelique White / UH
	10	• MATE Internship	Maria Osiadacz / UNOLS
	20	• STEMSEAS	Sharon Cooper / LDEO & Rylin Lofton
	10	• Other Outreach & Early Career Initiatives Discussion	Open Discussion
11:40 AM	15	FUTURE workshop update	Masako Tominaga / WHOI
11:55 AM	60	LUNCH	
12:55 PM		Facility Updates & Renewal Activities	
	5	• Regional Class Research Vessel - Schedule Update	Clare Reimer / OSU
	5	• Antarctic Research Vessel (ARV) - Quick Update	Mike Prince / NSF
	5	• California Coastal Research Vessel (CCRV)	Bruce Appelgate / SIO
	5	• RV MARCUS G. LANGSETH Replacement	Sean Higgins / LDEO
	15	• RV Kilo Moana	Anita Lopez/UH
	15	• Global Ship Recapitalization Efforts	Kipp Shearman/OSU
2:00 PM	10	Safer Seas Act	Doug Russell / UNOLS
2:10 PM	10	UNOLS Crewing Initiatives	Meegan Corcoran / UNOLS
2:20 PM	10	SatNAG Update	Erich Gruebal / URI
2:30 PM	10	OmniSOC Update	Mike Simpson / OMNISOC
2:40 PM	15	Interagency Working Group on Facilities & Infrastructure (IWG-FI)	Rob Sparrock / ONR
2:55 PM		Committee Updates	
	5	• Fleet Improvement Committee (FIC)	Kipp Shearman / OSU
	5	• Research Vessel Operator Committee (RVOC)	Doug Baird / UAF

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	5	• Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee (RVTEC)	Julia Hummon / UH
	5	• Scientific Committee for Oceanographic Aircraft Research (SCOAR)	Chris Zappa / LDEO
	5	• Deep Submergence Science Committee (DeSSC)	Andrew Thurber / UCSB
	5	• Marine Seismic Research Oversight Committee (MSROC)	Lindsay Lowe-Worthington / UNM
	5	• Arctic Icebreaker Coordinating Committee (AICC)	Laurie Juranek / OSU
	5	• Maintaining and Environment of Respect Aboard Ships (MERAS)	Emily Shimada / OSU
	5	• Arctic Marine Research Capabilities Committee (AMRCC)	Carin Ashjian / WHOI
3:50 PM	10	Break	
4:00 PM	20	UNOLS Year in Review	Doug Russell / UNOLS
4:20 PM	10	UNOLS Committee Member Recognition	Deb Bronk / Bigelow & Doug Russell / UNOLS
4:30 PM	60	Featured Presentation	

Dr. Paula Bontempi

*Dean of the Graduate School of Oceanography,
University of Rhode Island*

Chair of the Coalition for Ocean Science and Education Advocacy (COSEA)



Paula Bontempi has been Dean of the Graduate School of Oceanography at the University of Rhode Island since September 2020. Previously, she served as acting deputy director at NASA's Earth Science Division and spent over 16 years as a physical scientist and program manager at NASA Headquarters.

Her research interests encompass Earth and ocean remote sensing, phytoplankton ecology, marine bio-optics, and ocean exploration's connection to global economics. Bontempi earned her Ph.D. in Oceanography from URI-GSO, a Master's from Texas A&M University, and a Bachelor's from Boston College.

She has overseen NASA flight missions, including Suomi NPP, MODIS-Aqua, and the PACE missions, and was a member of the NASA Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon Independent Study Team. Bontempi is a co-Chair of the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine study on Future Directions for Southern Ocean and Antarctic Nearshore and Coastal Research, a Fellow and President-Elect of The Oceanography Society and is actively involved in DEIAJ initiatives in STEM. She is the inaugural Chair of the Coalition for Ocean Science and Education Advocacy (COSEA) and hails from Upper Saddle River, NJ.

5:30 PM Meeting Adjourned

Come celebrate a year of UNOLS!

Join us for an evening reception hosted by UNOLS.

Hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine will be served.

Where: Vic's on the River
26 E. Bay St. Savannah, GA
Time: 6:00PM - 8:00PM