



**INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA TRIBUNAL
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Press Release

**JUDGE KAMGA ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL AND
JUDGE ARMAS PFIRTER AS VICE-PRESIDENT**

The members of the Tribunal today elected Judge Maurice K. Kamga (Cameroon) as President and Judge Frida María Armas Pfirter (Argentina) as Vice-President for the period 2026-2029. The elections were held during the sixty-second administrative session of the Tribunal.



President Kamga

President Kamga has served as a member of the Tribunal since 2020 and Vice-President Armas Pfirter since 2023. Their curricula vitae are available on the [website](#) of the Tribunal.

In accordance with article 12 of the Statute of the Tribunal, the President is elected for a term of three years and may be re-elected. The President presides over all meetings of the Tribunal, directs its work and supervises its administration. The President also represents the Tribunal in its relations with States and other entities and, pursuant to the Statute of the Tribunal, is required to reside permanently at the seat of the Tribunal in Hamburg.



Vice-President Armas Pfrter

The Vice-President assumes the functions of the President in the event of a vacancy in the presidency or of the inability of the President to exercise the functions of the presidency.

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