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Annex 10.2

Decision Document on

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Women Leaders Forum (WLF)

The 13th CTI-CFF SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING (SOM-13)

**29 – 30 November 2017
Dusit Thani Manila Hotel
Makati City, Philippines**

**Adopted on 30 November 2017
by
the Governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea,
the Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Timor-Leste**

I. Background

Since the CTI-CFF Women Leaders' Forum was launched and endorsed by the CTI-CSO in Special SOM (in May 2015), it has been the recipient of many encouraging supports from NCCs and especially from CTI Development Partners. They include, USAID-RDMA, USDOJ, CTC, and other partners such as ADB, TNC, WWF and CI.

The past SOM-12 decision includes the continued involvement and participation at local, national regional and international for a to leverage impact.

Throughout 2016/2017; several activities / events have been undertaken and are still in progress. There are:

1. WLF Malaysia Meeting; 7th November 2016
2. WLF in ADB 50th Annual Meeting; Yokohama, Japan; 7 May 2017
3. WLF – CTC Intergenerational Learning Program (2017 – 2019)
4. WLF in USAID Oceans Partnership (2017 – 2018)

However, several activities recommended in SOM-11 were not able to be implemented. These include:

1. Included/Incorporated gender measures into the CTI M&E Operations Manual. The indicators will be prepared by the WLF Secretariat in collaboration with the WLF focal points and submitted at the next CTI M&E Working Group Meeting;
2. Encouraged all CTI-CFF Technical Working Groups to engage and utilize the pool of women leaders in the CI-CFF Member States trained under WLF's various capacity building activities as resource persons or participants in their respective workshops;
3. Encouraged CTI-CFF member countries to link with ministries women empowerment in CTI-CFF WLF activities (this was earlier placed under planned activities); and

SOM-13 agreed to the following workplan for 2018:

1. Develop TORs for WLF Ambassador & Chair;
2. Update & upgrade WLF member directory;
3. Attend and participate in at least one relevant training / workshop / conference;
4. By January 2018, start negotiating with partners to initiate development of CTI-CFF Gender Policy & gender indicators*. Results will be reported in SOM 14;
5. Participate in the consultative process of RPOA review; results will be reported in SOM 14; and
6. Participate/organize side event at the 5th Regional Business Forum in Malaysia (2018).

II. Decision

Referring to the discussion and consideration among the SOM-13 in session 10 on Cross Cutting Themes, (*Attachment 10.2.a*), the Senior Officials hereby:

1. Acknowledged the following:
 - a. Women related programs by partners and collaborators with a view to learn, adapt and replicate relevant programs in other CT6 areas;
 - b. WLF activities throughout 2017;
 - c. The appointment of Prof Dato' Noraieni Hj Mokhtar as the CTI WLF Ambassador and Ms. Agnetha Vave Karamui as the Chair of WLF;
 - d. The development process of the Terms of Reference for both WLF Ambassador and Chair to start by December 2017 for SOM-14 approval;
 - e. Agreed to populate the WLF members directory; and
 - f. Acknowledged and agreed to explore potential cooperation and provide full cooperation and participation in existing partners & collaborators programs with the support from Regional Secretariat and partners.

2. Urged the Regional Secretariat to ensure gender equality and women empowerment elements are incorporated in the Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) review process;
3. Agreed to initiate the development of a CTI-CFF Gender Policy with the support from partners and collaborators;
4. Agreed to undertake a stock-take of existing gender policies within CT6 Member Parties;
5. Urged Regional Secretariat to work with partners to ensure gender measures are embedded in all phases of programming, budgeting, and in the CTI M&E Operations Manual; and
6. Agreed to continue representing CTI-CFF in regional and international events.

Attachment:

- 10.2.a. SOM-13 WLF presentation.