

## 18<sup>TH</sup> SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING

Technical Working Group Report: Seascapes

Ms. Yvonne Tio

Chair of Seascapes TWG



# **Outline**

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- 6. Recommendations for SOM-18

## **Focal Points**

Member Country	Focal Points				
Indonesia	Focal Point: Mr. Suharyanto, M.Sc , Director of Marine Spatial Planning, Directorate General Marine Spatial management, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries.  Alternate: Mr. Abdi Tunggal Priyanto, S.Si, M.T., M.Sc., Associate Expert Marine & Coastal Ecosystem Manager				
Malaysia	Focal Point: Mr. Azhar Kassim, Director, Department of Fisheries Sabah Alternate: <mark>TBD</mark>				
Papua New Guinea (Chair)	Focal Point: Ms. Yvonne Tio, Executive Manageress, Conservation and Environment Protection Authority, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Climate Change Alternate: Mr. Aisi S. Anas, Executive Manager for Fisheries Management Unit, National Fisheries Authority				
Philippines	Mr. Marcial C. Amaro, Jr., Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and concurrent OIC Director, DENR-Biodiversity Management Bureau Alternate: Atty. Demosthenes R. Escoto, Director, Bureau Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Support Staff: Ms. Janice Tuante Cubo, Aquaculturist II, BFAR and John Erick Avelino, Mr. John Erick Avelino, Chief ICMPS, CMD				
Solomon Islands	Focal Point: Mr. Trevor Maeda, Ministry of Environment Climate Change Disaster Management and Meteorology Alternate: Mr Brian Akwasia , Ocean and Climate Desk Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External				
Timor-Leste (Co-chair)	Focal Point : Mr. Fidelino Sousa Marques, National Director of Aquaculture and Saliculture, Aquaculture and Marine Resources.  Alternate : Mr. Delio da Costa, Technical Staff for Department of R&D for Fisheries and Aquaculture.				

## **Action Taken For SOM 17 Decisions**

Decisions	Status	
I.Acknowledged and appreciated the presentation by Seascape Working Group (Annex 8.1)	Completed	
2. Acknowledged and appreciated the support of USAID RDMA through the Sustainable Fish Asia (SuFia) project and programs related to Seascapes	Done	
3. Acknowledged and appreciated the SOMACORE Project which was already approved by the German government	In-progress.  SOMACORE in the process of	
	finalizing the approval with Philippines	
4. Agreed on the conduct of the 7th Seascape Working Group Meeting together with Seascapes Working Group Regional Exchange to be undertaken in 2023 through In-situ online. Provided there is external funding support, a physical meeting might be held	In-Situ online meeting on 24 October 2023.	
5. Appreciated and acknowledged Indonesia, Malaysia, and Philippines to provide the signature of the secretary/ministers from the concerned department and authorization letter for GEF 8 submission (Annex 8.2)	Done	
6. Acknowledged and appreciated the effort from Professor Peter Mumby of the University of Queensland and his work together with CI-Philippines on the Seascape Approach to Securing Coral Reef Fishery and Biodiversity Resources in the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape Strategic Action Plan	Done	
7. Approved the Seascapes Working Group 2023 Workplan	Completed	

# Workplan and Budget for 2023

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Planned Activities	Time Frame	Budget (USD)
7th Seascapes Working Group Meeting TOR (LSS) together with Seascapes Working Group Regional Exchange for CT6	Q1 – Q2	USD 8,500 In-situ online meeting conducted on 24 October 2023.
CT3 Southeast Asia NCCs procurement of Ministerial level signatures	Q1? (Before March)	All signatures have been provided by Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines, in progress with GEF-8 proposal.
Infographics on Priority Seascapes by GIZ through SOMACORE	Q1-Q2	Pending subject to SOMACORE Project Implementation
Workshop Output B1.1.1.a Output: By 2023 an updated assessment of resources, needs and opportunities of sustainable livelihoods and enterprises in targeted coastal areas including Priority Seascapes is conducted and completed, based on 2020 baseline information  Output Indicator B1.1.1.a An assessment of resources, needs and opportunities of sustainable livelihoods and enterprises in targeted coastal areas including Priority Seascapes is conducted and completed, by 2023  # of Capacity Assessment Reports prepared by 2023		Subject to further discussion between RS and SuFiA TS/USAID RDMA.  Open for other partner interests.

Proposed Workplan and Budget for 2024

Planned Activities	Time Frame	Budget (USD)
7th Seascapes Working Group Meeting together with Seascapes Working Group Regional Exchange for CT6	Q2 – Q3	USD 30K SEA Countries (Host)
		CT6: Agree for in-person meeting subject to external funding availability
Infographics on Priority Seascapes by GIZ through SOMACORE	Q1 – Q2	Exploring potential support from GIZ.
Workshop Output B1.1.1.a Output: By 2023 an updated assessment of resources, needs and opportunities of sustainable livelihoods and enterprises in targeted coastal areas including Priority Seascapes is conducted and completed, based on 2020 baseline information  Output Indicator B1.1.1.a An assessment of resources, needs, and opportunities of sustainable livelihoods and enterprises in targeted coastal areas including Priority Seascapes is conducted and completed, by 2023  # of Capacity Assessment Reports prepared by 2023		RS to lead further discussion with SuFiA TS/USAID RDMA, and other potential partners.
Strengthen work planning with the Threatened Species-TWG  - Discussions to develop and implement projects within the 3 priority Seascapes.	Q2 – Q3	Looking for potential partner support
Review the progress of RPOA 2.0 in relation with the Seascapes TWG to determine the current status and to identify the way of moving forward (i.e. Workshop).	Q1 – Q2	Online meeting / In-person subject to potential partner support

## **Change of Chair and Co-Chair of Seascapes TWG**

Proposed Chair and Co-Chair Period of 2024-2025								
Year	Chair	Country	Co-Chair	Country	Remarks			
2024 - 2025	Mr. Marcial C. Amaro, Jr	Philippines	Mr. Suharyanto, M.Sc	Indonesia				
2021 - 2023	Ms. Yvonne Tio	Papua New Guinea	Mr. Fidelino Sousa Marques	Timor Leste				
2021 - 2022	Dr. Norasma Dacho	Malaysia	Ms. Agnetha Vave- Karamui	Solomon Islands				
2017 – 2018	Mr. Suharyanto	Indonesia	Philippines	Philippines				
2016 – 2017	Dr. Ir. Subandono Diposaptono	Indonesia	Dr. Theresa Mundita S. Lim	Philippines				

#### **SOM-18 Recommendations**

- 8.1 Acknowledged and appreciated the presentation by Seascapes Technical Working Group (Annex 8.1).
- 8.2 Acknowledged and appreciated the support of USAID SuFiA -TS to conduct the Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Regional Exchange (SSS REX) during the 8th EAFM Technical Working Group Meeting on 13-16 June 2023 in Manila, the Philippines.
- 8.3 Acknowledged and appreciated three members of the CT6 countries: Indonesia, Malaysia, and Philippines for providing the secretary/ministers signatories for the Regional Strategic Action Plan (RSAP) as the requirement for CTI-CFF/UQ/GEF project proposal (GEF-8) (Annex 8.2).
- 8.4 Acknowledged and appreciated Professor Peter Mumby of the University of Queensland and Cl-Philippines in developing the ongoing CTI-CFF/UQ/GEF project proposal (GEF-8) together with the three countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, and Philippines) from the CT6 countries.
- 8.5 Recognized SpaceTec's expressed interest in collaborating with CTI-CFF initiatives through their introduction to the Seascape and EAFM TWG (Annex 8.3).
- 8.6 Agreed on the conduct of the 7th Seascapes Working Group Meeting together with Seascapes Working Group Regional Exchange for CT6 in-person meeting to be undertaken in 2024 subject to funding availability and welcoming potential partner support.

### **SOM-18 Recommendations (Cont.)**

- 8.7 Appreciated the excellent contribution of Ms. Yvonne Tio as Chair from Papua New Guinea and Mr. Fidelino Sousa Marques as Co-Chair from Timor-Leste from the period of 2021-2023.
- 8.8 Approved the recommendation of the Seascapes Technical Working Group to turn over the Chair from Papua New Guinea to Philippines and Co-chair from Timor-Leste to Indonesia, in the year of 2024 2025, as stipulated in the rules and procedure of the CTI-CFF Seascapes Technical Working Group.
- 8.9 Approved the Seascapes Technical Working Group 2024 Workplan.

