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#### Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management Working Group

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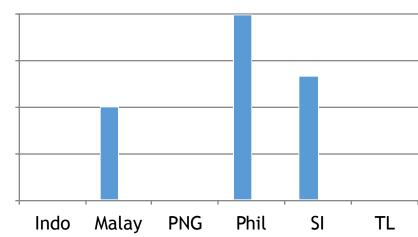
## **Focal Points and Partners**

Member Country	Focal Points
Indonesia	Director of Fisheries Resources, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries
Malaysia	Dr. Norasma Dacho, Assistant Director, Department of Fisheries Sabah
Papua New Guinea	Mr. Leban Gisawa, Executive Manager for Inshore Fisheries, National Fisheries Authority
Philippines	Ms. Drusila Bayate, Assistant Director for Technical Services, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
Solomon Islands (Chair)	Ms. Rosalie Masu, Deputy Director for Inshore Fisheries Division, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources
Timor-Leste (Co-Chair)	Mr. Lino de Jesus Martins, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries
Partners	WWF, SEAFDEC, USAID Oceans, USDOI, USAID RDMA, GIZ, CI, TNC, CTC, World Fish Center

## Activities since SOM 12

Activities	Venue Date		Technical Support	Funding Support	6
3rd Fisheries Forum	Iloilo Convention Center, Iloilo City, Philippines	July 4-6, 2017	WWF	WWF	3
Tuna Governance Workshop	Smallville 21 Hotel, Iloilo City, Philippines	July 7, 2017	WWF	WWF	0
COASTFISH Workshop	Hotel Kimberly, Tagaytay City, Philippines	August 1-2, 2017	Dr. Robert Pomery	Regional Secretariat	<b>O</b> u 1. 2.
6th EAFM TWG Meeting	Hotel Kimberly, Tagaytay City, Philippines	August 3, 2017		Regional Secretariat	3. 4. 5.

EAFM Call Meetings 2017



#### Outcomes:

- 1. CT 3rd Fishers Forum Communique
- 2. TOR for the Informal Tuna Forum
- 3. CT Regional COASTFISH Initiative Framework
- 4. Finalized the EAFM Monitoring and Evaluation Indicators
- 5. Reviewed the EAFM Framework

# Status on Decisions Endorsed by SOM12

Decisions Endorsed by SOM12	Status
Endorsed the conduct of the 3rd Fishers Forum in the Philippines with the theme "Sustainable Coastal Fisheries through Local Innovation: Scaling up Effective Models for IUU Reduction, Catch Documentation and Local Investments" subject to the endorsement by member countries.	Conducted
Endorsed the conduct of COASTFISH Workshop in 2017 subject to the endorsement by the member countries.	Conducted
Endorsed the conduct of the Tuna Governance Workshop in 2017 subject to the endorsement by member countries.	Conducted
Endorsed the conduct of the EAFM TWG meeting in July 2017 as agreed by the WG during the 5th EAFM TWG meeting held on June 1, 2015 in Manado, Indonesia to further discuss on how to move forward the different EAFM sub-themes.	Conducted
Tasked the EAFM Working Group to coordinate with the SWG Working Group to move forward with the implementation of the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape EAFM Implementation Plan.	Not Started
Approved the EAFM TWG Work Plan 2017.	Ongoing

## Status of the EAFM 2017 Work Plan

Planned Activities	Status
Continue to hold EAFM WG call meetings	Conducted
Conduct of the 3rd Fishers Forum in the Philippines	Completed
Conduct of the COASTFISH Workshop	Completed
Conduct of the Regional Tuna Governance Workshop	Completed
Conduct of the 6th EAFM TWG meeting	Completed
EAFM and SWG develop action points to move forward the SSS EAFM Plan	Not Started

#### **Regional Activities/Actions**

Status as of 2016

Target 1: RA 1: Collaborate to develop a 'common regional framework for legislation and policy' that would support

EAFM; strengthen regional and national legislation, policies and regulations.				
Convene a technical workshop on scientific guidance to incorporate climate change	Not initiated			
and ocean acidification into EAFM framework	Or main or fair OOME words with a OOO			
Under SSME and BSSE Marine Ecoregion conduct a project to develop and incorporate EAFM in fisheries management	Ongoing for SSME under the SSS Project of GIZ-BMUB in collaboration with CIP. BSSE initial discussions.			
Incorporate learning into all existing fisheries management plans	Ongoing			
EAFM knowledge exchange and training on fisheries prioritization exercise	On going (SEAFDEC) SSSP Ongoing			
Ministerial/agency capacity building for each CT6	Ongoing			
Conduct national EAFM prioritization exercise	Ongoing			
Conduct one pilot study per country to develop fishery-specific management plans that incorporate EAFM	Completed			

Regional Activities/Actions	Status as of 2016			
Target 1: RA 2: Improve enforcement of IUU fishing through greater collaboration.				
Establish a regional forum to address IUU fishing/Engagement with RPOA IUU in South China and Sulawesi	Completed			
Collaboratively address trans-boundary MCS (SEA and South Pacific)	Ongoing			
Convene MCS practitioner workshop (REX): share information/knowledge exchange	Ongoing			
Continue IUU cooperative work North Sabah, Palawan on LRFF enforcement	Not started			
Target 2: RA 1: Design and launch a region-wide CTI COASTFISH Initiative				
Application of appropriate technical materials on coastal fisheries management at a community-based level on fisheries management	Initiated			
Conduct value addition training for post-harvest coastal fisheries	Initiated			
Conduct feasibility studies on by-catch and discards	Initiated			
Conduct value chain analysis on coastal fisheries	Initiated			

#### **Regional Activities/Actions**

#### Status as of 2016

Target 3: RA 1: Develop a collaborative work program on this topic that covers a wide range of activities, such as jointly supported research, information-sharing, strategies for protection of spawning and juvenile growth areas, and financing mechanism

Support regional tuna research (juveniles, nursery grounds)	Initiated (WWF)
Introduce and familiarize PES, especially on tuna	Initiated (WWF) Tuna PES mechanism modeled - pilot to be designed and seeking investment to trial PES
Build capacity for tuna stock assessment	Initiated
Target 3: RA 2: Establish informal consultative forum on Tuna Governand	ce
Hold a regional CTI Workshop/Forum on the Sustainable Management of Tuna in CT Region	Conducted and Completed
Target 4: RA 1: Develop a collaborative work program on management of	f and international trade in coral reef-based
fish and ornamentals	
Regional standards developed, applied and monitored, Regional Database	WWF & ASC commenced work on Grouper &
maintained, Accreditation recorded	Barramundi Standard development
Regional coordination to prevent/reduce trans-boundary IUU fishing and illegal trading practices (RPOA IUU currently does not cover LRFFT)	Not started

Regional Activities/Actions	Status as of 2016			
Target 4: RA 2: Establish an informal CTI Forum on management of and international trade in coral				
reef based organisms				
Forum to develop standards, support development of national database and maintain regional databases	Not started			
Cross-Cutting Themes/Mechanisms				
Fishers Forum (Every 3 years)	Conducted in 2010, 2012, 2017			
Develop and conduct EAFM Executive Course for all CT6 local governments using LEAD/EAFM and PI training course as model/background	Ongoing			
Regional coordination to prevent/reduce trans-boundary IUU fishing and illegal trading practices (RPOA IUU currently does not cover LRFFT)	Not started			

Targets	Indonesia	Malaysia	Papua New Guinea	Philippines	Solomon Islands	Timor-Leste
Policy and Regulatory Framework	Law for the protection and management of small scale fishers Strategic Plan 2015-2019	DOFM Strategic	2016 National Beche-de-mer Fishery Mgt Plan	Comprehensive National Fisheries Industry Development Plan 2015	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Strategy (2017-2019) Wildlife Protection Act	The Future of Fisheries Policy is pending approval.
CBRM - EAFM Implementation	Species specific management in selected communities (Blue Crab, reef fisheries)	EAFM Pilot (Sabah) and 6 replication sites established	CBRM is largely done by NGOs:	Assist LGUs in the dev of CRM/EAFM Plan. Inter-LGU enforcement planning and operation.	Development of LMMAs and MPAs with the community.	Development of tourism sites in selected communities.
IUU Fishing Initiative	Improvement of logbook application system Integration of VMS data into Global Fishing Watch Observer on Board in place	Collaborates and cooperates with international gov and orgs. Enforcement trainings conducted	Vessel Monitoring Scheme and Observer Program in place	Ongoing FishR and BoatR Developed Manual of Operation for FLE VMS / VMMs / Fisheries Observers Program Establishment of Comm Fish Landing Centers	Recruitment of compliance officers. 100% and 5% coverage of purse seiners and long-liners under the National Observers Program	Through the RPOA on IUU - share info on vessel info, license, etc.
COASTFISH	22 Licensing programs 60 Fishermen village prog Seaweed-based livelihood 18 Salt Farmers shop	Grants and technical assistance thru training provided	Inshore FADs Seaweed Trapnet Deep water snapper	Provide livelihood for fish workers during close season. Insurance coverage to typhoon hit areas.	Tilapia and seaweed program established. Fisheries Centers established. FADs program in place	Mud crab fattening Fish processing Red Snapper Project Salt Project Seaweeds Project
Tuna Management	canacity nullining on tuna	Stock assessments on tuna conducted. Abides to all IOTC resolutions		Continuous training on proper tuna handling. Organized the hand-line tuna fishers.	SI Tuna Management Plan Parties to the Nauru Agreement	Conducted surveys at Timor Sea on economically important fish species

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CCA and Ocean Acidification	Covered under the NPOA on climate change	Conducted CEPA Baseline studies conducted on CC impacts to fisheries and coastal communities	Assessments conducted in 2 provinces Fisheries monitoring done in 1 province	Adopted the CC- DRRM Strategic Framework for Philippine Fisheries Nation-wide VA made producing color-coded maps for fisheries	Ridge to Reef Program with SPREP in 2 provinces. MECDM implements adaptation and resilience projects.	With NOAA deployed climate assessment instruments. Established climate monitoring sites around TL.
Capacity Development for EAFM	Ongoing EAFM Training	On-going national EAFM training EAFM course is now offered	Ongoing EAFM training	Ongoing trainings: -Essential EAFM -Enforcement Offered as graduate course	Continuous training for observers and compliance officers.	Conducted various NOAA-assisted capacity training activities
Collection and data sharing	Established 26 learning and information centers at various universities		Fisheries Information Systems under NFA. Creel Surveys in target areas.	National Stock Assessment Program Database Publications	SILMMA Network National seminars and international events Ocean 12	NOAA training on data utilization and application.
Sustainable management of LRFT	Developed a roadmap for reef fish mgt Piloted a project on harvest strategy dev	Conduct CEPA on RF Comprehensive baseline information on RF	No Live Reef Food Fishery in PNG.	4 months of seasonal spawning closure for 4 grouper species Policy to regulate the capture and transport of live fish.	LRFFT fishing and trade is currently banned in SI.	
Gear and species specific management	Enacted laws on gear management.	Close season for juvenile grouper fish in 2 states (Kelantan and Terengganu)	Various fisheries mgt plan enforced specific gear and species regulation.	Banning of gears during seasonal closures in selected gulfs and bays. Nation-wide ban on Danish Seine	Regulation of 3 main gears (PS, LL, PL).	

# Challenges

- Moving forward some of the targets of Goal 2. Some regional actions have not progressed since.
- Funding to support follow up activities of the EAFM WG and its sub-themes
- Participation of all CT6 during call meeting and events in order to agree or finalize decisions or discussions
- Maintain focal points involved in various EAFM workshops and meetings to ensure continuity of discussions and agreements
- Constant/Regular communication among focal points

# Proposed EAFM 2018 Work Plan

Planned Activities	Time Frame
Conduct of the 7th EAFM TWG meeting to review and assess the CTI Regional EAFM Framework	July
Indonesia to host an EAFM workshop in collaboration with CMAR back to back University Partnership	April
Convene Monitoring Control and Surveillance experts for Transboundary IUU Fishing	Tbd
Initiate discussions to prepare for a workshop to incorporate climate change and ocean acidification into EAFM Framework	Tbd
Initiate discussions with SWG on how to move forward with the recommendation from Sulu Sulawesi Seascape EAFM Implementation Planning Meeting in June 2015, Manado	Tbd

## **Recommendations for SOM13 Consideration**

- Adopt the 3rd CT Fishers Forum Communique which was formulated in Iloilo City, Philippines last July 2017.
- Acknowledge the full support and contribution of WWF during the 3rd CT Fishers Forum and the Tuna Governance Workshop
- Approve the proposed CT Regional COASTFISH Initiative Framework and Roadmap and to task the EAFM WG to begin the implementation of the Roadmap.
- Call on partners to continue to provide technical assistance to the different EAFM learning events and activities.
- Support the recommendation of the EAFM WG to turnover the Chairmanship from Solomon Islands to Timor-Leste and the turnover of the Co-Chairmanship from Timor-Leste to Malaysia based on the provisions stipulated in the EAFM TWG Terms of Reference
- Approve the 2018 EAFM Work Plan

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