

GOAL #1
“PRIORITY SEASCAPES” DESIGNATED AND EFFECTIVELY MANAGED

*Large-scale geographies prioritized for investments and action,
where best practices are demonstrated and expanded*

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TARGET 1	
<p>“PRIORITY SEASCAPES” DESIGNATED, WITH INVESTMENT PLANS COMPLETED AND SEQUENCED</p> <p>A set of priority seascapes across the Coral Triangle are designated, to serve as the geographic focus of major investments and action during 2010 – 2020. Comprehensive <i>Seascape Investment Plans</i> for each priority seascape are completed, along with an overall scheme for the sequencing of investments across the 10-year timeframe of the CTI Plan of Action.</p>	2012
<p><u>Annotations explaining Target 1</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative efforts under this target will emphasize trans-boundary seascapes, but will also include single-country seascapes. These efforts will be without prejudice to the sovereign rights of the parties over their resources or the position of the parties on the agreed border or on the negotiations of the delimitation of common maritime boundaries. • Extensive consultations among our governments and key partners will be required to delineate and designate these priority seascapes. • <i>Existing</i> seascape programs (e.g., SSME, BSSE) will be emphasized, with some <i>new</i> programs likely to be initiated around additional seascapes. • Boundaries of seascapes that have already been delineated (e.g. SSME) will generally be recognized. • Priority Seascapes can cover areas <i>outside</i> the Coral Triangle Initiative boundary as long as the major portion of the seascape is within the CT countries. • Priority seascape designations will help guide (i) funding (international and domestic); (ii) establishment of partnerships; and (iii) governmental policy actions. • Priority seascape designations and seascape investment plans will need to be regularly reviewed, and potentially updated, based on relevant developments. • This Target and associated Regional Actions (below) will entail particularly close collaboration with established partners working to support <i>existing</i> Seascape Programs. 	
REGIONAL ACTION 1	
<p>Through regional collaboration, conduct Rapid Seascape Assessments for the entire region, in order to delineate seascapes and identify priority seascapes for investment</p> <p>Collaborate around completing Rapid Seascape Assessments covering the entire region, examining ecological, economic, social, and political factors. These assessments will be designed to identify which Seascapes should be designated as priorities.</p>	2010
REGIONAL ACTION 2	
<p>Develop investment plans for all identified priority seascapes, including <i>joint</i> investments plans for those seascapes involving two or more countries</p> <p>For each seascape, identify goals and key actions needed, and outline required financial investments and potential investment sources (Investment Plans). Develop an overall scheme for sequencing investments over the 10-year timeframe of the CTI Plan of Action. [Note: One action to be explored for each seascape will be designation of Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas (PSSAs)].</p>	2012
TARGET 2	
<p>MARINE AND COASTAL RESOURCES WITHIN ALL “PRIORITY SEASCAPES” ARE BEING SUSTAINABLY MANAGED</p> <p>The marine and coastal resources within all identified priority seascapes are being sustainably managed (as measured by agreed criteria and progress toward established quantitative targets), and are contributing significantly to environmentally sustainable development benefitting coastal communities and broader economies dependent</p>	2020

upon these resources.	
<p>Annotations explaining Target 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our six governments will jointly develop a set of “Key Elements” (general criteria) that characterize sustainably managed seascapes, drawing on experiences and lessons learned from current seascape programs and on the other Goals and Targets in the <i>CTI Plan of Action</i>. • The general “model” referenced under REGIONAL ACTION 1 below will draw upon experience, best practices, and lessons learned to date on key elements of seascape programs, such as (but not limited to): (i) governance through appropriate institutions; (ii) marine protected area (MPA) networks; (iii) ecosystem-based management, including an ecosystem approach to fisheries management; (iv) integrated coastal management; (v) private sector engagement; (vi) enabling legal framework (conventions, laws, regulations, and policies); (vii) social and political support/commitment; (viii) sustainable financing; (ix) communications program; and (x) scientific research and monitoring. • For each seascape, more specific quantitative targets for sustainable management will be established, and indicators of progress will be periodically measured. These more specific targets will also be designed to contribute to the other Goals and Targets in the <i>CTI Plan of Action</i>. • This Target and related Regional Actions will entail particularly close collaboration with established partners associated with <i>existing</i> Seascape Programs. • This target, and the programs organized around Priority Seascapes, will serve as one key approach for achieving the other Goals in the CTI Plan of Action. 	
REGIONAL ACTION 1	
<p>Adopt a general “model” for the sustainable management of seascapes Working closely with existing seascape partners (e.g., associated with Tri-national SSME and BSSE processes), jointly adopt a set of “Key Elements for Sustainably Managed Seascapes”, describing a general “model” for a successful Seascape Program, addressing economic, social, political, and ecological characteristics, public/private partnerships, and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas, with more specific elements developed for each Seascape based on local conditions.</p>	2010
REGIONAL ACTION 2	
<p>Establish seascape capacity-building and learning mechanisms Within and between seascape programs, and across countries, develop and strengthen capacity building activities (including learning mechanisms) designed to (i) share best practices and “on-the-ground” lessons learned; (ii) develop critical skills and knowledge; and (iii) strengthen technical and institutional capacity. Capacity delivery mechanisms could include, for example: Tri-national Committees and Working Groups of the SSME and BSSE processes; periodic Coral Triangle Seascape Conferences; regional, national and seascape-scale training and learning centers; and a network of seascape and MPA practitioners.</p>	2011
REGIONAL ACTION 3	
<p>Through joint and single-country efforts, start to mobilize the financial resources necessary to support “priority seascape” programs (based on Seascape Investment Plans). Jointly and individually mobilize the financial resources necessary (including new and additional funding) to support designated priority seascape programs across the region, generated from both domestic and international funding sources.</p>	2013
REGIONAL ACTION 4	
<p>Conduct periodic monitoring and evaluation of priority seascape programs Periodically monitor and evaluate the progress of priority seascape programs, based on agreed “Key Elements for Sustainably Managed Seascapes” and quantitative targets established for each seascape.</p>	Periodic