



**MALAYSIA**

**COUNTRY REPORT**

**2018**

Please submit the completed Country Report (including the presentation slides by November 23, 2018 via email to the Regional Secretariat at regional.secretariat@cticff.org with subject title: Country Report [country].

1. **Executive Summary**

Following the 13th Senior Officials’ Meeting held in 2017, Malaysia had implemented a total of 26 programs in the context of awareness (31%), capacity building (46%), seminar/ conference (8%) and others (15%).

The achievements of completing National Plan of Action (NPOA) under each goals is as follows:

Goal 1: 40%

Goal 2: 29%

Goal 3: 5%

Goal 4: 6%

Goal 5: 4%

Malaysia is committed in achieving all NPOA and Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) targets until later review of RPOA and NPOA.

1. **Introduction/General Information**

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| **Technical Working Group (TWG)** | **Focal Point** |
| **Seascapes** | Department of Fisheries, Sabah,Ministry of Agriculture & Food Industry Sabah (MAFI) |
| **EAFM** | Department of Fisheries, Sabah,Ministry of Agriculture & Food Industry Sabah (MAFI) |
| **MPAs** | Sabah Parks,Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Environment Sabah |
| **CCA** | Strategic Technology and S&T Application Division, Ministry of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change (MESTECC) |
| **Threatened Species** | Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture & Agro-based Industry Malaysia (MoA) |

1. **Progress/Achievements Towards National Plan of Action (NPOA)**

*(Please outline the key outputs and activities that have been undertaken under CTI-CFF label; or programs related to CTI-CFF goals that are not part of national CTI-CFF budget. Particularly, please provide the following details: title and brief description of the activity, its location and date, funds received, partners/funding agency/ies partner(s)/funding agency, outputs and outcome.*

*Please provide both qualitative data (e.g. number of participants/beneficiaries) and qualitative data (description of activity). Add more rows as needed.)*

| **Title and Brief Description of Activity**  | **Date and Venue** (if applicable) | **Funds Received and Partners or Funding Agency/ies** | **Outputs** *(no. of participants/beneficiaries)* |  **Outcome** *(describe the result/impact)* |
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| **A. Priority Seascapes are designed effectively managed** |
| **CTI-CFF National Programs** |
| Multilateral Meeting on Nomination of Lesser Sunda & Bismarck Solomon Seas Ecoregion as Priority Seascapes | April and October, Jakarta, Indonesia | Regional Secretariat |  |  |
| Seascape capacity-building and learning mechanisms: Sulu-Sulawesi Regional Convergence Meeting | July,Philippines | Regional Secretariat |  |  |
| Finalize SWG Rules of Procedures and meeting protocols | October,Indonesia | Regional Secretariat |  |  |
| Fifth (5th) CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group Meeting | October,Indonesia | Regional Secretariat |  |  |
| **Programs / Activities in relation to CTI-CFF goals but not directly budgeted under national CTI-CFF programs** |
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| **B. An ecosystem approach to management of fisheries and other marine resources is fully applied** |
| **CTI-CFF National Programs** |
| Essential EAFM Training for Stakeholders | March & July, Sabah  | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| Essential EAFM Training | June and Sept, Sabah | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| EAFM for Secondary School | Oct, Sabah | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| EAFM Pitas Consultation for Anchovies | March, Sabah | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| EAFM Approach to Semporna Shark Conservation and Awareness | May, Sabah | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| EAFM Consultation for Anchovies for Fishermen from Pitas and Tawau | June, Sabah | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| The 3rd stakeholder consultation for EAFM Community Research Project for Small Pelagic | October, Sabah | Department of Fisheries Sabah (DoFS) |  |  |
| **Programs / Activities in relation to CTI-CFF goals but not directly budgeted under national CTI-CFF programs** |
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| **C. Marine protected areas (MPAs) are established and effectively managed** |
| **CTI-CFF National Programs** |
| 13th Meeting for Turtle Islands Heritage Park JMC | July, Philippine | Regional Secretariat |  |  |
| MOU Signing with Universiti Malaya (UM) for joint benefits in research | February | Sabah Parks, Malaysia |  |  |
| Action Plan for Elimination of Fish Bombing in Tun Sakaran | Tun Sakaran Park, Semporna | Sabah Parks, Malaysia |  |  |
| **Programs / Activities in relation to CTI-CFF goals but not directly budgeted under national CTI-CFF programs** |
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| **D. Climate change adaptation measures are achieved** |
| **CTI-CFF National Programs** |
| 5th CTI-CFF Climate Change Adaptation Working Group Regional Exchange and Grant-Writing Workshop | 10-13 April, Sabah | Ministry of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change (MESTECC)Regional Secretariat |  |  |
| Students Exchange Programme Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich Germany and Borneo Marine Research Institute, University Malaysia Sabah | Feb, Sabah | MESTECC |  |  |
| International Conference on Marine Science and Aquaculture (ICOMSA) 2018 | March, Sabah | MESTECC |  |  |
| Grant Opportunities Workshop (EU Horizon 2020 and Other Opportunities) | March, Sabah | MESTECC |  |  |
| Youth Climate Change Training Camp #POWERSHIFTSABAH2018 | July, Sabah | MESTECC |  |  |
| Coral Triangle Day 2018 in conjunction with the Marine Biodiversity Awareness Week (MBAW) 2018 | July, Sabah | MESTECC |  |  |
| Marine BioD Edu-Station in conjunction with Marine Biodiversity Awareness Week (MBAW)  | July, Sabah | MESTECC |  |  |
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| **E. Threatened species’ status is improved** |
| **CTI-CFF National Program** |
| CTI-GIZ Project, Semporna: Stakeholder Engagement of EAFM Project for Sharks Conservation | **May, Sabah** | **GIZ** |  |  |
| 1st Technical Working Group on Threatened Species chaired by Deputy General Director (Development) | **Nov, Putrajaya** | **Department of Fisheries Malaysia (DoFM)** |  |  |
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1. **Constraints / Issues / Challenges Affecting Implementation of Identified Activities**

*(Please explain any constraints or issues which have affected implementation. Please be specific and concise as possible)*

1. There is a need to translate the principles and concepts into policies and tangible projects
2. Limited resources
3. Knowledge
4. Manpower
5. Financial
6. Stakeholders participation at all level
7. **National Roadmap 2019**

*(Please outline and briefly explain planned activities and possible funding sources under CTI-CFF national program or related to RPOA goals but not specifically labelled as CTI national programs)*

1. **CTI-CFF National Programs**
2. Develop concrete joint management action/plans based on connectivity and characteristics between the Sulu-Sulawesi countries;
3. Endorsement of the Sulu-Celebes (Sulawesi) Large Marine Ecosystem Regional Strategic Action Plan for Sustainable Fisheries Management for GEF International Waters (GEF IW) funding (facilitated by UNDP with assistance from CI).
4. Expansion of all current MPAs & introduce 3 new MPAs; 2.041 million ha in total (14.3% Aichi goal)
5. Third round of CTMPAS nomination – recognition of effective managed
6. Workshop on adaptation to climate change within the Coral Triangle (CT) area: the role of Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EAB)
7. Blue Carbon Workshop/Activities
8. Climate Change Seminar
9. Establishment “Network National Centers of Excellence (COE) on CCA”
10. Seminar on Goal 5 Threatened Species and Status Improving in CTI Areas
11. **National Programs in relation to CTI-CFF RPOA goals but not budgeted as CTI-CFF programs**
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15. **National Plan of Action Review (if any)**

*Please state the outcome of the NPOA Review, and if NCCs are planning to review the NPOA, what are the expectations from the review that would be useful for the RPOA 2.0 development in 2019.*

1. Malaysia has not yet review NPOA.
2. The review will be conducted after RPOA review.
3. **Potential Regional Program & Support Required**

*(please outline and briefly explain potential regional programs and support that can be undertaken and provided to your country)*

1. Request support to move forward with:
2. Mobilizing the process for finalizing country commitment for Sulu-Celebes (Sulawesi) Large Marine Ecosystem Regional Strategic Action Plan for Sustainable Fisheries Management for GEF International Waters (GEF IW) funding (facilitated by UNDP with assistance from CI).
3. Support for the OCEANS USAID Sulu Sulawesi EAFM Sub-Regional Plan to be deliberated at and approved by SOM14.
4. Request for resources and assistance to move forward with:
5. Socializing and build support for COASTFISH initiatives to craft a national COASTFISH framework and programs.
6. Mobilizing the process for finalizing country commitment for the implementation of the Regional Strategic Action Plan (RSAP) through GEF7.
7. Support for the USAID OCEANS ‘Sulu Sulawesi EAFM Sub-Regional Plan for Managing Transboundary Fisheries in the Sulu-Sulawesi Seas’’
8. **Documents, Materials and Publications**

*(Please list all documents, materials and publications produced, if any)*

1. Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Project Factsheet (2018)
2. Azureen M., Yap T.Z., Gallagher J.B. and Ejria S. 2018. Seagrass Meadow Impacts on Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) Beach, Kota Kinabalu Sabah (Malaysia). *Journal of Tropical Biology and Conservation* 15; 189-201.
3. **Any other remarks** (highlights, brief anecdotes, etc.)
4. Malaysia withdraw from hosting the 5th Regional Business Forum (RBF).
5. Malaysia is ending the term of Chairmanship of CCAWG and will handover to Philippines.
6. Malaysia will take over chairmanship from Indonesia. Solomon Islands will act as Vice-Chairman.