



# **CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE**

ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

## **Annex – 11(c)**

### **Decision Document on**

### **Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group (MEWG)**

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**The 11<sup>th</sup> CTI-CFF SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING (SOM-11)**

**2 - 3 December 2015**

**The Coral Triangle Information and Learning Center  
(the CTI Learning Center) Building  
Manado, North Sulawesi, Indonesia**

**Adopted on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015**

**by**

**the Governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea,  
the Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Timor-Leste**

## I. Background

The 9<sup>th</sup> Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM9) held in Manila, Philippines has endorsed the Monitoring and Evaluation Operations Manual and the roadmap for implementation of the M&E system. Since then, the MEWG has been working closely together with the various Technical Working Groups (TWGs) particularly with the aim to finalise the indicators.

Since then, SOM10 has endorsed the following decisions for the MEWG to pursue. There are:

1. Acknowledged and noted the progress in incorporating a web-based database system within CT Atlas particularly for MPA and CCA RPOA indicators.
2. Recognized the key role of MEWG to continue to refine and guide the process towards full operation of the M&E system.
3. Encouraged CT6 countries to nominate respective focal persons, through the Regional Secretariat and the MEWG, for the maintenance, updating, verifying, and sharing of data in CT Atlas on a regular basis.
4. Recognized the need for financial resources for the operation of the system, support for an M&E coordinator, and completion of key activities outlined in the Regional Priority Actions and Activities 2013-2016 resulting from 2nd RPW held on August 2013 and development of CT6 and WG capacities to use the system.
5. Noted the development of a GEF Medium Scale grant proposal in support to CTI M&E System operations.

The past year has seen the endorsement of the indicators for Goal 3 on Ecosystem Approach to Management of Fisheries and other Marine Resources Fully Applied during the EAFM Technical Working Group (TWG) Meeting in Manado on June, 1 2015.

Indicators for Goal 1 on Priority Seascapes Designated and Effectively Managed is aimed for finalisation during the upcoming Regional Exchange in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

Lastly, the indicators for Goal 5 (Threatened Species Status Improving) shall be deliberated and given priority for its finalisation as part of 2016 activities.

In addition, Solomon Islands have updated its Marine Protected Areas (MPA) data and information in the CT Atlas.

It is recommended that the Regional Secretariat to liaise with WorldFish on the options for CT Atlas to be transferred to Regional Secretariat noting that it shall require technical and financial support for its operation and maintenance activities.

## **II. Decisions**

Based on the presentation by the Chair of the Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group (MEWG) and the ensued discussion in Session 11 for “*Governance Working Group Report*” on progress for MEWG, the Senior Officials, hereby, agreed upon on the following:

1. Endorsed the Monitoring and Evaluation System Operation Manual as the policy document and tasked the Regional Secretariat to ensure its implementation;
2. Tasked the MEWG to work with the Regional Secretariat to liaise with WorldFish on the options for transferring the operation and maintenance of CT Atlas to the Regional Secretariat and recognised the need for sustainable financial resources for the operation of the CT Atlas;
3. Acknowledged the endorsement and adoption of Goal 2 (Ecosystem Approach to Management of Fisheries and other Marine Resources Fully Applied) indicators;
4. Encouraged other Technical Working Groups (Seascapes and Threatened Species) to finalize its indicators; and
5. Noted the urgency for financial support for an M&E coordinator.

### **Attachment:**

**Attachment 11.3** MEWG Progress Report for SOM-11 (PowerPoint presentation)