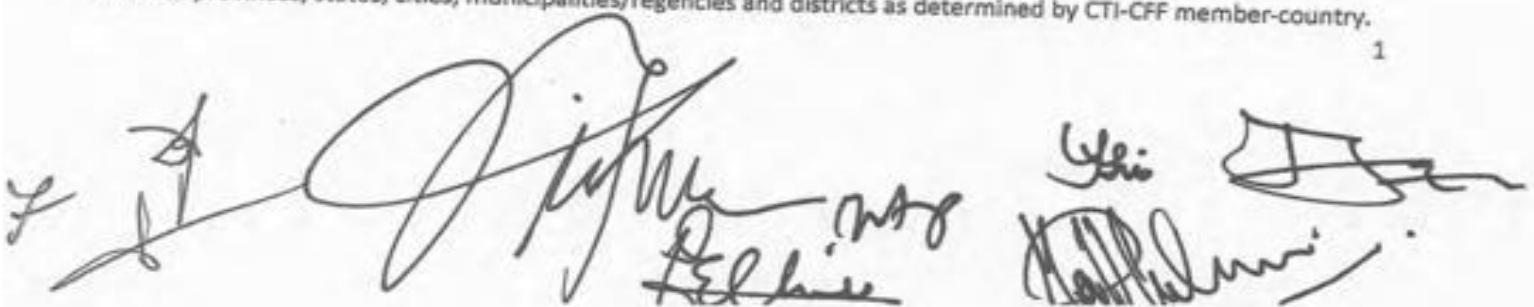


**Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security
(CTI-CFF) Maritime Local Government Network
The Alotau CTI-LGN Resolution**

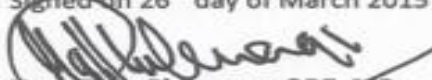
We, representatives of the maritime local governments¹ as officially nominated by the respective CTI-CFF National Coordination Committees (NCCs) to attend the 3rd CTI-LGN Forum held in Alotau, Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea (PNG) on 25-27 March 2015 resolve the following:

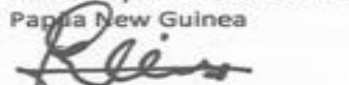
- Agreed to formally organize the CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network (CTI-LGN) by adopting the proposed organizational structure defining the scope of the general assembly, officers including the Executive Committee and the CTI-LGN Secretariat indicated in the CTI-LGN Policy Document (*see annex*).
- Elected the interim officers which include Mayor Hugua of Wakatobi, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia as Chair and Mayor Gita Elliot of Alotau, Milne Bay Province, PNG and Mayor Nilo Villanueva of Mabini, Batangas, Philippines as Co-chairs. The interim officers shall assume roles and responsibilities as defined in the CTI-LGN Policy Document until permanent officers are elected by the General Assembly.
- Agreed that the Executive Committee shall be composed of the chair, co-chairs and at least one maritime local government representative of each CTI-CFF member country as determined by its respective coordinating mechanisms (*i.e.* through NCCs, national local government associations).
- Affirmed the scope of the CTI-LGN Regional Secretariat as proposed by the League of the Municipalities of the Philippines (LMP) and incorporated in the CTI-LGN Policy Document. LMP shall assume the role of the CTI-LGN Secretariat in an interim basis until a permanent setup is agreed.
- Agreed that membership is voluntary and shall be composed of maritime local governments located within the Coral Triangle region as core members and local government associations or organizations supportive of CTI-LGN mission as associate members, who may donate resources to support initial operations until rates for membership is agreed. Processes of application, acceptance and termination of membership are defined in the CTI-LGN Policy Document.
- Agreed that those maritime local governments who signed this Resolution shall automatically become members of the LGN. Those who took part in the Wakatobi Joint Communiqué and the Manila Declaration adopted in May 2011 and December 2012 respectively, shall be considered to be founding members of CTI-LGN provided they confirm in writing.
- Agreed to engage women to take part in CTI-CFF decision-making processes and programs and empower women in their communities to lead and implement coastal and marine programs.
- Building on the Wakatobi Joint Communiqué and the Manila Declaration, agreed to adopt the CTI-LGN strategic purpose formulated at the 3rd CTI-CFF LGN forum in Alotau which states: *A network of local government champions identified and empowered who promote and implement the goals of the CTI-CFF at the community level through collaboration and partnership.*


¹ Includes provinces, states, cities, municipalities/regencies and districts as determined by CTI-CFF member-country.

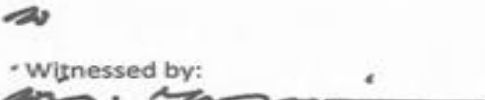


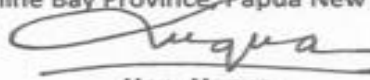
Signed on 26th day of March 2015 in Alotau, Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea.


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