



**CORAL TRIANGLE  
INITIATIVE**  
ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES  
AND FOOD SECURITY



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# 18<sup>TH</sup> SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING

Technical Working Group Report: **Marine Protected Areas**

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Chair of MPA TWG



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# Focal Points

Member Country	Focal Points
<b>Indonesia (Co-Chair)</b>	Dr. Firdaus Agung, Director for Conservation and Marine Biodiversity, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries Alternate: Mr. Amehr Hakim, Coordinator for Marine Protected Areas Designation
Malaysia	Ms. Rimi Repin, Principal Assistant Director of Research and Education Division, Sabah Parks Alternate Focal Point: Mr. Adam Malik bin Masidi, Marine Research Officer, Sabah Parks
Papua New Guinea	Bernard Kombeng Suruman, Manager MPA Branch, Conservation and Environment Protection Authority
Philippines	Mr. Marcial C. Amaro, Jr., Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and concurrent OIC Director, DENR-Biodiversity Management Bureau Alternate: Atty. Demosthenes R. Escoto, Director, DA-BFAR
Solomon Islands	Mr. Peter Husi'au'ana Kenilorea, Chief Fisheries Officer, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Alternate: Mr Trevor Maeda, Principal Conservation Officer, Ministry of Environment, Climate change, Disaster Management and Meteorology and Mr. David Aram, Principal Fisheries Officer, Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources
<b>Timor-Leste (Chair)</b>	Mr. Benvindo Maria Deus Araujo dos Santos, Technical Staff under the Department of Conservation Marine Biodiversity, and Aquatic Environment Management Alternate: <b>TBD</b>

# Action Taken for SOM 17 Decisions

Decisions	Status
1. Acknowledged and appreciated the presentation by MPA Working Group (Annex 8.7)	Completed
2. Acknowledged and appreciated the conduct of the II Learning Exchange Workshop on the Ocean Governance project on 12-14 October 2022 in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia organized by the European Union, WWF and CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat (Annex 8.8)	Done
3. Agreed on the conduct of 9th MPA REX and 9th MPA TWG Meeting in 2023 through In-Situ online. Provided there is external funding support, a physical meeting might be held in Papua New Guinea	Done MPA REX conducted on 11 October 2023 via In-Situ Online Hosted by PNG
4. Agreed to hold the CTMPAS 3rd Round of Nomination for Categories 3 and 4, and the Award for Categories 1 to 4 in 2023	In progress - TBD
5. Request EU Ocean Governance assistance to the MPA Working Group in organizing another learning exchange in 2023 consisting of CT6 countries considering the importance of this event	Done Conducted in Bali on 3-6 July 2023
6. Approved the MPA Working Group 2023 Workplan;	Completed

# Workplan and Budget for 2023

Planned Activities	Time Frame	Budget (USD)
<p>9th MPA REX and 9th MPA TWG Meeting in Papua New Guinea Develop activities that integrate with other TWG in Priority MPA Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainable Marine Tourism final design and launch pilot sites</li> <li>• Round 3 CTMPAS nomination</li> <li>• Completion of CTMPAS Certification Process for Cat 1, 2, 3 and 4</li> </ul>	Q1-Q3	<p>8,500</p> <p>Conducted on 11 October 2023 via In-situ Online hosted by PNG</p>
<p>A recovery plan for marine tourism is formulated/developed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, by 2022 (Indicator BI.2.1.c)</p>	Q1-Q3	Countries to share the information
<p>#of mechanisms developed by SMTTF and voluntarily adapted by Member Countries to rehabilitate and strengthen resilience of marine tourism and other related or allied livelihood enterprises, by2023.</p> <p>(Output Indicator BI.2.1.a)</p>	Q1-Q3	Looking for partner's support
<p># of creative economies and innovative financing options developed by SMTTF, in view of the present and future pandemic risks and other types of hazards in terms of code of conduct, branding, guidelines, sustainable financing mechanism, projects, and capacity building, by2023</p> <p>(Output Indicator BI.2.1.a)</p>	Q1-Q3	Looking for partner's support
<p>Other activities related to RPOA 2.0</p>		Looking for partner's support



# Proposed Workplan and Budget for 2024

Planned Activities	Time Frame	Proposed Budget (USD)
<p>MPA REX and MPA TWG Meeting</p> <p>Develop the regional guideline for SMTTF (engaging consultant) by adopting the existing national guideline from the CT6 for Sustainable Marine Tourism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalizing Regional Level Guideline for SMTTF</li> <li>Identifying activities that integrate with other TWG in Priority MPA Site</li> </ul> <p>Workshop on CTMPAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CTMPAS Advisory committee recommend replacements (Refer CTMPAS Advisory Committee TOR)</li> <li>Round 3 CTMPAS nomination</li> <li>Completion of CTMPAS Certification Process</li> </ul>	Q1 – Q2	<p>USD 30,000</p> <p>(Host SEA Countries)</p>
<p># of creative economies and innovative financing options developed by SMTTF, in view of the present and future pandemic risks and other types of hazards in terms of code of conduct, branding, guidelines, sustainable financing mechanism, projects, and capacity building, by 2023</p> <p>(Output Indicator BI.2.1.a)</p>	Q2 – Q4	Looking for potential partner's support
Other activities related to RPOA 2.0	Q1 – Q4	Looking for partner's support

# Proposed MPA TWG Chair and Co-Chair 2024-2025

	Chair	Co-Chair	Remarks
ID	ID	MY	ToR
MY	ID	MY	ToR
PNG	ID	MY	ToR
PH	ID	MY	ToR
SB	ID	MY	ToR
TL	ID	MY	ToR

# Recommendations for SOM-18

- 8.25 Acknowledged and appreciated the presentation by MPA Working Group (Annex 8.7).
- 8.26 Acknowledged and appreciated the conduct of Workshop on Protecting Marine Migratory Species and Achieving the 30x30 Target Through Transnational Approaches, organized by CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat, WWF, and EU Ocean Governance Project in Manado on 15-17 May 2023.
- 8.27 Acknowledged and appreciated the conduct of III Learning Exchange Workshop between MPA managers from Southeast Asia and the Atlantic back-to-back with the MPA WG meeting in Bali, Indonesia on 3-6 July 2023 organized by the European Union, WWF and CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat.
- 8.28 Acknowledged and noted the needs of Learning Exchange as Capacity Building for the CT6 member countries under EU Ocean Governance Project regarding the Coral Restoration, during which the need for a Network of MPA managers in the CT region was identified and discussed. Member countries also acknowledged needs of the MPA Network in the CT region.
- 8.29 Acknowledged and expressed the need of developing an effective Network of MPA managers in the CT region to support capacity building through training and sharing of knowledge and best practices, which would contribute to achieving the targets and objectives of RPOA2.0
- 8.30 Requested EU Ocean Governance to continue assisting the CTI-CFF MPA Working Group activities including the development of a Network of MPA managers in the CT region considering the importance of the Network for supporting global and regional goals in marine and coastal conservation



# Recommendations for SOM-18 (Cont.)

- 8.31 Acknowledged and appreciated the conduct of 9th MPA Regional Exchange hosted by Papua New Guinea on 11 October 2023 through in-situ online meeting.
- 8.32 Acknowledged the interest of IUCN to collaborate with the CTI-CFF in the MPA space in CT6 (MPA TWG activities) and requested RS to explore the interest of IUCN to move forward for the formal agreement process (Annex 8.8).
- 8.33 Requested the CT6 member countries to update the MPA data in CT-Atlas by Q2 2024.
- 8.34 Appreciated the excellent contribution of Mr. Benvindo Maria de Deus Araujo dos Santos as Chair from Timor Leste and Dr. Firdaus Agung as Co-Chair from Indonesia in year of 2021-2023.
- 8.35 Approved the recommendation of the MPA working group to turn over the Chair from Timor-Leste to Indonesia and the turnover of the Co-chair from Indonesia to Malaysia in the year of 2024 - 2025, based on the provision stipulated in the rules and procedure of the CTI-CFF MPA working group.
- 8.36 Approved the MPA Working Group 2024 Workplan.



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ARE THE KEYS TO UNLOCKING THE  
HIDDEN KNOWLEDGE OF OUR VAST  
OCEAN”

*Leaders of the Coral Triangle*

*15<sup>th</sup> May 2009*

*Manado, North Sulawesi, Indonesia*

Terima Kasih

