

CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE ON CORAL REFFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

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#### Niquole Esters Director, Coral Triangle Program Conservation International

# CI Background & History

CI has been in the Coral Triangle region for over 20 years and engaged in the CTI-CFF since 2007

We work at the national level in Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solo mon Islands and Timor-Leste

At regional level we work with Malaysia through the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape

Cl's **focus is comprehensive integrated planning** at appropriate scales including **Seascapes and Community-based Resource Management –** applying this from local to transboundary levels



#### Conservation International FOCAL POINT

Member Country	Focal Point
Regional	Niquole Esters, Director, CT Program
Indonesia	Victor Nikijuluw, Marine Director, CI-Indonesia & Niquole Esters, Director, CT Program
Malaysia	Evangeline Miclat, Manager, CI-Philippines & Niquole Esters, Director, CT Program
Papua New Guinea	Whitney Anderson, Manager, CT Program & Niquole Esters Director, CT Program
Philippines	Enrique Nunez, Country Director CI-Philippines & Niquole Esters Director, CT Program
Solomon Islands	Whitney Anderson, Manager, CT Program & Niquole Esters Director, CT Program
Timor-Leste	Trudianne Dale, Country Director, CI-Timor-Leste & Niquole Esters Director, CT Program

## Support at Regional Level

Regional	Goal & Cross Cutting Theme
CI CT and CI-Philippines	Seascapes
CI-Philippines	CCA WG
CI-Philippines	MPA WG
CI CT and CI-Philippines	TS WG
CI CT and CI-Philippines	WLF
CI CT and CI-Philippines	Capacity Building

## Support at Country Levels

Country	Goal
<u>Indonesia</u> (BHS) - Raja Ampat, Kaimana, Fak Fak (LSS) – Bali, Sumbawa	Seascapes, EAFM, MPA, CCA, TS
<u>Malaysia</u> (SSS) - Sabah	Seascapes
<u>Papua New Guinea</u> Milne Bay Province	EAFM, MPA
<u>Philippines</u> (SSS) Verde Island Passage, Palawan, Visayas, Sulu Archipelago Transboundary Marine Turtle Corridor West Philippine Sea North Philippine Sea	Seascapes, EAFM, MPA, CCA, TS
<u>Solomon Islands</u> Nationally	EAFM, TS
<u>Timor-Leste</u> Nino Konis Santana, Atauro	Seascapes, EAFM, MPA, CCA, TS

#### Just Some of Our Partners









Asian Development Bank









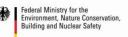
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Australian Government

**Department of the Environment and Energy** 

## Activities to support CTI-CFF

- Facilitated finalization of CTI-CFF Seascapes Model and Regional Framework for Priority Seascapes
- Conducted Innovation Lab on Expanding Community-Based Resource Management within the Coral Triangle region to provide input into a regional CBRM strategy
- Co-Organized and facilitated Blue Carbon Workshop (with support from Government of Australia) Philippines
- Coral Triangle Day
- Co-organized side event of Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape Marine Turtle Protected Area Network at Convention on Migratory Species COP
- Expanded Community-based resource management in PNG and the Solomon Islands
- Launched a sea turtle conservation and CBRM project in TL, PNG, and SI
- Manta tagging in Indonesia and PNG
- Cetacean surveys in Timor-Leste
- Sustainable financing: Blue Abadi Fund for BHS in Indonesia in partnership with TNC, USAID, WFF and many others

### Challenges

- Limited resources (both human and financial)
- **Complexity and size** of CTI-CFF structure makes consistent engagement and support difficult to maintain
- Demonstrating explicit link between national and regional/international to show benefit
- Presenting CTI-CFF successes and value add as a regional mechanism in a simple format
- **Competition** for limited funding at the global level

# Looking Forward

Conservation International remains **committed** to the CTI-CFF and its goals and principles

We are working to **deepen and strengthen our ties** and relationships with the countries of the Coral Triangle

We will **learn from and build on** our experiences and **successes** to replicate and expand support to marine and coastal and conservation and management.

We will **work closely with Development Partners** and others to look for and **develop funding opportunities** 

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