

**Concept Note and Provisional Agenda**

**The 8th CTI-CFF Ecosystem Approach on Fisheries Management Working Group Meeting**

**Manila, Philippines | 2-3 September 2019**

**Title of the event** : The 8th CTI-CFF Ecosystem Approach on Fisheries

Management (EAFM) Working Group Meeting

**Proposed Date** : 2-3 September 2019

**Venue**  : Hotel Jen Manila

3001 Roxas Blvd, Pasay, 1307 Metro Manila

Philippines

**Organizer & supporting Partners** : NCC of Philippines

CTI-CFF Regional

**Participants** : NCCs and EAFM Working Group Parties from

Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines,

Solomon Islands, and Timor Leste

* Regional Secretariat of CTI-CFF
* Development Partners and Collaborators

**Background**

In 2007, the governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Timor Leste came together to form the Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries, and Food Security (CTI-CFF), a multi-government partnership aiming to safeguard the region’s marine and coastal resources and the services they provide to society.

Under the CTI-CFF, the six Coral Triangle countries (CT6) adopted a Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) with five overarching goals: 1) strengthening management of seascapes; 2) applying an ecosystem approach to fisheries management (EAFM); 3) developing and strengthening the management of marine protected areas; 4) implementing climate change adaptation measures; and 5) protecting threatened marine species.

Fisheries in the Coral Triangle, as well as across the globe, are facing significant declines due to local and global threats, as well as ineffective management and governance. Conventional fisheries management not only often fails to stem decline in many fisheries, but also often fails to protect the people, communities, and societies dependent upon healthy and productive fisheries ecosystems for food, jobs, economic development, and coastal protection, among other such benefits.

EAFM evolved as a new management approach to better match the scales of fisheries governance with the scales of fisheries, their ecosystems, the people dependent upon them, and the nature of threats facing them all. Applying an ecosystem approach to fisheries management (EAFM) is considered the preferred option and best practice for the long-term sustainability of fisheries and the services that fisheries ecosystems provide to society (e.g., food security, livelihoods, economic security, coastal protection, human health and wellbeing).

Along with the finalization of the Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Sub-Regional EAFM Plan, the 8th CTI-CFF Ecosystem Approach on Fisheries Management Working Group Meeting is also a venue to evaluate the implementation of EAFM workplan 2019 as agreed in SOM-14 December 2018 in Philippines.

The Meeting will also be an opportunity for the EAFM to develop their draft Workplan and Budget 2020 towards preparation for Pre-SOM and SOM-15 in Solomon Islands (i.e. the 2020 workplan)

**Objectives**

1. To update on Status of SOM 14 decisions and EAFM workplan for 2019
   1. Workshop on CDT system design and development based on EAFM (**completed**)
   2. Initiate the COASTFISH Program (Note: for further discussion upon approval of RPOA 2.0)
2. **COASTFISH**: Country Presentation ***each country, speciﬁc “COASTFISH Sites” will be identiﬁed and targeted for investment and action, based on poverty and biodiversity criteria.***
3. To report on the Workshop on Catch Documentation and Traceability (CDT) System Design and Development based on Ecosystem Approach to Management of Fisheries (EAFM) in CT6 [ **RS with support By Ocean/Dr Len**)
4. To update on the Global Dialogue – CTI CFF signed on as Dialogue Advisory Group members
5. To update and discuss RPOA 2.0 and Pre-SOM [**RS**]
6. To update on the Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Sub-Regional EAFM Plan (EAFM and SEASCAPE AGENDA) **Day 2**
7. To update on the Regional Strategic Action Program Sulu-Celebes Sea Sustainable Fisheries Management Project **Day 2**

**Expected Outputs or outcome**

1. Initiation of COASTFISH Sites, Action and Funding [ amount and sources] identification
2. Common understanding on way forward to Pre-SOM and SOM-15
3. EAFM Workplan for 2020
4. Common understanding on way forward for developing draft technical guidance on the design and implementation of eCDT and Traceability systems in CT6
5. Finalization of the Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Sub-Regional EAFM Plan

**Provisional Agenda**

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| **Time** | **Agenda** | **Person in Charge/Facilitator** | **Remarks** |
| **Sunday, 1 September 2019: Arrival of EAFM Participants** | | | |
| **Day 1: Monday, 2 September 2019** | | | |
| **08.00-08.30** | Registration | RS and PH NCC | Regional Secretariat |
| **SESSION ONE** |  |  |  |
| **08.30-08.40** | Welcome Remarks | Chair of EAFM |  |
| **08.40-08.50** | Key Remarks | Interim Executive Director of CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat |  |
| **08.50-09.00** | Opening Message | NCC Philippines |  |
| **09.00-09.20** | Introduction Participants | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **09.20-09.40** | Review and Approval of Provisional Agenda | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **9:40 -10.00** | Coffee Break and Group Photo |  |  |
| **SESSION TWO: UPDATE ON 2019 WORKPLAN** | | | |
| **10.00-10.30** | Update on Status of SOM-14 decisions and EAFM workplan for 2019   1. Workshop on CDT system design and development based on EAFM (completed) 2. Initiate the Coast fish Program (Note: for further discussion upon approval of RPOA 2.0) | Chair of EAFM WG | RS to Present |
| **SESSION THREE: COUNTRY PRESENTATIONS ON COASTFISH** | | | |
| **10.30 -11.00** | NCC INDONESIA | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **11.00 -11.30** | NCC MALAYSIA | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **11.30 -12.00** | NCC PNG | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **12.00-13.00** | **LUNCH** |  |  |
| 13.00 -13.30 | NCC PHILIPINES | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| 13.30 -14.00 | NCC SOLOMON | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| 14.00 -14.30 | NCC TIMOR LESTE | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| 14.30 -1500 | Discussion on COASTFISH and how to move forward | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| 15.00-15.15 | Coffee break |  |  |
| **SESSION FOUR: eCDT TECHNICAL GUIDANCE FOR CT6/ Global Dialogue for Seafood Traceability** | | | |
| **15.15-15.55** | Report on the Workshop on CDT system design and development based on EAFM [RS]  Proposed Regional technical guidance on the design and implementation of eCDT and Traceability systems in CT6 [ By Oceans) | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **15.55 -16. 15** | update on the Global Dialogue – CTI CFF signed on as Dialogue Advisory Group members | WWF |  |
| **SESSION FIVE: RPOA 2.0 UPDATE AND SOM** | | | |
| **16.00-17.00** | Update and discuss RPOA 2.0 | Chair of EAFM WG/ Regional Secretariat |  |
| **17.00-17.30** | EAFM Blue Finance Framework | WWF |  |
| **17.30 -18-00** | Other Matters |  | (Interim)Executive  Director of CTI-  CFF Regional  Secretariat will facilitate this session |
| **18.00-Finished FREE PROGRAM** | | | |

**3RD SEPTEMBER 2019: CONVERGENCE OF EAFM + SEASCAPE WGs**

**TO DISCUSS THE REVIEW OF SUB REGIONAL EAFM PLAN**

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| **Time** | **Agenda** | **Person in Charge/Facilitator** | **Remarks** |
| **Day 2: Tuesday, 3 September 2019** | | | |
| 08.00-08.30 | Registration | Organizer | Regional Secretariat |
| 08.30-08.40 | Chair welcome | Chair of SEASCAPE/ CO-Chair of EAFM WG | SEASCAPE TWG Joining for the Overlap day with EAFM TWG |
| 08.40-09.00 | Participant Introduction | Chair of SEASCAPE |  |
| **SESSION SIX SULU SULAWESI SUB-REGIONAL EAFM PLAN** | | | |
| **09.00-09.30** | Update on the Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Sub-Regional EAFM Plan | Chair of EAFM |  |
| **09.30 -9.45** | NCC Indonesia /EAFM TWG Indonesia to provide update, comment and suggest ways forward. | Chair of EAFM |  |
| **09.45-10.00** | Finalize the Sulu Sulawesi Seascape Sub-Regional EAFM Plan | Chair of EAFM |  |
| **10.00- 10.30** | **COFFEE BREAK** |  |  |
| **10.30 -11.30** | * NCC Malaysia/EAFM TWG Malaysia provide update * NCC Philippines/EAFM TWG Philippines- provide update and * NCC Indonesia /EAFM TWG Indonesia to provide update, comment and suggest for ways forward | Chair of EAFM |  |
| **11.30-12.30** | DISCUSSION | Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **12.30-13.30** | Lunch Break |  |  |
| **13.30-14.15** | Develop Workplan and Budget for 2020; Discuss PreSOM and SOM15; Change of Chair | Chair of EAFM WG | RS to facilitate |
| **14.15 – 15.00** | Conclusions  and way  forward   * Presentation of Chair’s Summary | Chair of EAFM WG | RS to facilitate |
| **15.00 -15.10** | Closing Remarks | Outgoing Chair and Incoming Chair of EAFM WG |  |
| **15.10-15.30** | GROUP PHOTO/ Coffee break |  |  |
| **FREE PROGRAM** | | | |