



CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE

ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

Annex 10.2

Decision Document on

Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management Working Group

The 12th CTI-CFF SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING (SOM-12)

**1 - 2 November 2016
Laguna Hotel, Waigani Drive
Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea**

**Adopted on 2 November 2016
by
the Governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea,
the Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Timor-Leste**

I. Background

The 11th SOM in December 2015 in Manado, Indonesia made a couple of decisions which included among others the turnover of Chairmanship from Indonesia to Solomon Islands effective January 2016; planning for a regional workshop on Sustainable Management of Tunas; reaching out to potential partners and collaborators who may be able to provide technical and financial assistance for the conduct of the COASTFISH workshop, sorting out the TOR for collaborative arrangements with RPOA-IUU Secretariat on the IUU Fishing Action Plan, and to initiate discussion at country level for the implementation of the recommendations found in the study entitled “Evaluation of Options for a Consultative Forum on LRFFT in the CT Region and Adjacent Areas”.

Since SOM11 several call meetings were conducted with partners to orient the new Chair on the various tasks and priority actions of the EAFM working group as well as to prioritize activities considering budget constraints and availability of technical assistance. Among the five (5) thematic working groups of CTI-CFF, EAFM is the most complex with several sub-themes: Tuna Governance, IUU, LRFFT, COASTFISH, and EAFM and with several partners working and providing technical assistance on specific sub-themes.

II. Decision

Based on the presentation by the WG and discussions during the session on *Technical Working Group Reports - EAFM* at SOM12, the Senior Officials hereby:

1. Endorsed the Conduct of the 3rd Fishers Forum in the Philippines with the theme “**Sustainable Coastal Fisheries Through Local Innovation: Scaling Up Effective Models for IUU Reduction, Catch Documentation and Local Investments**” Subject to endorsement by member countries;
2. Endorsed the conduct of COASTFISH Workshop in 2017 subject to the endorsement of member countries;
3. Endorsed the conduct of Tuna Governance Workshop in 2017 subject to the endorsement of member countries;

4. Endorsed the conduct of the EAFM TWG meeting in July 2017 as agreed by the WG during the 5th EAFM WG meeting held on 1 June 2015 in Manado, Indonesia to further discuss on how to move forward the different EAFM sub-themes;
5. Tasked the EAFM Working Group to coordinate with the SWG Working Group to move forward with the implementation of the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape EAFM Implementation Plan; and
6. Approved the EAFM TWG Work Plan 2017.

Attachments:

1. EAFM Working Group Report for SOM12
2. Terms of Reference for the 3rd Fishers Forum
3. Terms of Reference for the Tuna Governance Workshop
4. Draft concept note for the COASTFISH Workshop