

Activity Report: 1st Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF) Local Government Network International Conference

Wakatobi, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia, June 3, 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 1st CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network International Conference was conducted on June 3, 2016 in Wakatobi, Indonesia. The conference was part of the CTI-CFF LGN General Assembly. This event was simultaneously joined and commenced with International Workshop on the Role of Local Governments in Implementing the Lima Action Plan for Biosphere Reserves (UNESCO-MAB) and ASWINDO Workshop on Supporting Marine Tourism Acceleration. Six (6) speakers presented in the conference namely: Mr. Gita Elliot, Mayor of Alotau, Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea; and Mr. Selwyn Vasuni, Provincial Secretary of Isabel Provincial Government, Isabel Province, Ferdinanda J. Louhenapessy, Head of Fisheries Department, Ambon Municipality, Indonesia; Mrs. Made Arnika, Head of Fisheries Department, Buleleng Regency, Indonesia; Abdul Haviedz, Head of Division of Planning and Development Agency Fakfak Regency, Indonesia; and Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi, Secretary General, United Cities of Local Governments Asia Pacific, Jakarta, Indonesia. This training attended by ten (10) local government representatives across Coral Triangle region, four (4) CTI-CFF Local Government Network partners, and six (6) others organizations.

There was five (5) topics presented in the conference, namely:

1. Marine Ecotourism and Sustainable Business Development (Green Growth & Blue Economy),
2. Integrated Waste and Water Management (Best Practices),
3. Local Governments Roles in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation,
4. Public Private Partnership (Best Practices)
5. Organization Principles in Local Governments

During the conference, participants involved in interesting discussion the topics given. Due to the enactment of Act Number 23/2014 in Indonesia, the local government unit needs to hand over their right of managing 4 miles waters to the higher authority, in this case provincial authority. The other issues discussed were the implementation of good maritime governance principles including local development planning that address those emerging issues on marine environmental challenges. Then, the conference also shared strategic approach and practical experience among the LG in engaging or implementing public private partnership.

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ACRONYM

AEC	Asean Economic Community
CCM	Conference of Coastal Municipalities
CEPA	Conservation and Environment Protection Agency
CT	Coral Triangle
CT6	CT Countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Timor-Leste)
CTC	Coral Triangle Center
CTI	Coral Triangle Initiative
CTI-CFF	Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security
CTMPAS	Coral Triangle Marine Protected Area System
CTI-CFF Reg Sect	CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat
GA	General Assembly
ICM	Integrated coastal management
IUU	Illegal, Unreported, Unregulated
LCE	Local Chief Executives
LG	Local Government
LGN	Local Government Network (CTI-CFF)
LMP	League of Municipalities of the Philippines
MPA	Marine protected area
MRT	Mayors Roundtable
NCC	National Coordination Committee
NGO	Non-governmental organization
NPOA	National Plan of Action
PNG	Papua New Guinea
PNG CLMA	PNG Center for Locally Managed Marine Areas
REX	Regional Exchange
RPOA	Regional Plan of Action
RPW	Regional Priorities Workshop
SOM	Senior Officials Meeting
TNC	The Nature Conservancy
UCLG ASPAC	United Cities of Local Governments Asia Pacific
WWF	World Wide Fund

I. BACKGROUND

The Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries, and Food Security (CTI-CFF) is a multi-lateral partnership among 6-Asia-Pacific countries including Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea (PNG), the Philippines, Solomon Islands and Timor-Leste. The partnership is guided by agreed Regional Plan of Action (RPOA), which is set for 10 year of period. The RPOA recognizes the importance of local governments and communities in coastal and marine management and protection in achieving the set-up Goals and Targets including seascape management, ecosystem approach to fishery management, marine protected areas, climate change adaptation, and threatened species management. For this reason, there has been, from the outset, an ongoing effort to engage local governments in the CTI-CFF process.

In 2009, a group of local government executives, from the six CTI-CFF countries, participated in a regional exchange (REX) held in conjunction with the 2nd Conference of Coastal Municipalities in the Philippines (2CCM). Among the participants of that REX was a representative from Indonesia's CTI National Coordination Committee (NCC) and the Mayor of Wakatobi, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia, who proposed to host a roundtable for the local government leaders of the CTI member-countries in order to begin discussions on how local governments in the region can contribute to the goals of CTI. Ever since, there have been 3 (three) major regional local government forums undertaken toward this end:

1. **16-19 May 2011:** the Mayor of Wakatobi hosted a **Mayors Roundtable** that included 51 participants, including 30 delegates representing 13 sub-national governments or "local governments" (states, provinces, regencies, districts, cities, municipalities and their equivalent), four associations of local governments, and the NCCs of the CT6. Through a deliberative process that considered the concerns of all delegations, the delegates agreed on broad areas of regional cooperation, which provided the basis for a Joint Communiqué declaring their vision for cooperation, which reads: *By 2016, we see ourselves as resourced, innovative, informed, and effective local governments collaborating, sharing information, experience and expertise, and advocating policies to achieve the goals of the Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral reefs, Fisheries and Food Security.*
2. **3-6 December 2012:** the **CTI Local Government Network (LGN) Forum and Executive Course** was held in Manila, Philippines to advance the above commitments (the name change from "Mayors Roundtable" to "Local Government Network" was made to more broadly represent the different local government levels that can potentially participate in the Network). The forum was attended by 51 participants, including 25 local chief executives (LCEs) from Indonesia, PNG, the Philippines and Solomon Islands (Malaysia and Timor-Leste were not represented) and representatives from CTI-CFF development partners. It resulted in the adoption of **The Manila Declaration** which was signed by the 10 local government leaders who were present at the close of the forum on 6 December 2012 and one local government staff who initialed the document on behalf of their Mayor. This document contains the parties' specific commitments on integrated coastal management (ICM), alliance building and the CTI RPOA.
3. **25-27 March 2015:** the **3rd Local Government Network Meeting** was held in Alotau, Milne Bay, Papua New Guinea, which was attended by executive local governments from Indonesia, the Philippines, the Solomon Islands, and the Papua New Guinea (Malaysia and Timor Leste were not represented), representatives from the

Regional Secretariat, Indonesia NCC secretariat and CTI CFF development partners. It resulted in **the Alotau Resolution** which provides for the elected interim officers which include Mayor Hugua of Wakatobi, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia as Chair and Mayor Gita Elliot of Allotau, Milne Bay Province, PNG and Mayor Nilo Villanueva of Mabini, Batangas, Philippines as Co-Chairs; the membership; and the engagement of women in CTI-CFF decision-making processes and programs and empowerment of women in their communities to lead and implement coastal and marine programs.

4. At the 3rd Local Government Network forum members agreed to a roadmap of activities to guide the next steps forward and to their next meeting at the side event of 1st Executive Committee Meeting of the Maritime Local Government Network at the Coral Triangle Regional Business Forum on Sustainable Marine Tourism in Nusa Dua, Bali.

Local Government Role after SOM

The role of local governments in the CTI-CFF was discussed during the Senior Officials Meetings (SOM) in 2011 and 2012, which resulted in recognition by the CTI-CFF of the essential function that **local governments play particularly role in the implementation of the CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) and the respective countries' related National Plans of Action (NPOAs)**. This recognition was reaffirmed during the 2nd Regional Priorities Workshop (RPW2) in August 2013, where the CTILGN was identified as a cross-cutting mechanism for supporting the Regional Priority Actions.

Subsequently, the SOM9 2012 endorsed the next LGN Forum, which PNG offered to host in September 2014. SOM9 acknowledged the aspiration and initiatives undertaken by CTI-LGN and its members to work with each other and the CTI-CFF bodies toward the goals of the NPOAs and RPOA. They noted that some members of CTI-LGN had, on their own, initiated inter-local government activities that are mutually reinforcing the CTI-CFF and the local governments' objectives on improving coral reefs, fisheries and food security as goals of the NPOAs and RPOA.

At the SOM-10 2014 in Dili, Timor-Leste, the CTI-CFF acknowledged progress made by LGN and reconfirmed the League of Municipalities of the Philippines (LMP) as the Regional Secretariat of LGN. It endorsed the LGN Forum theme and agenda planned to be conducted in Alotau in the Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea in March 2015 with dates to be confirmed by the end of December 2014. The CTI-CFF also agreed to engage/invite LGN in appropriate CTI-CFF activities and platforms i.e. SOMs, Regional Prioritization Workshops, thematic capacity building activities and the like. It tasked the Regional Secretariat to assist LGN in organizing its CTI related regional events and tasked the NCCs to continue to engage local governments and local government associations as partners in implementing respective NPOAs and other CTI-related plans and programs.

At the SOM11 2015 in Manado, the **CTI-CFF endorsed the conduct of the CTI-CFF LGN General Assembly (GA) to be held in March/April 2016 in Wakatobi, Indonesia**. Having this General assembly, the 1st Coral Triangle Local Government Conference is designed back-to-back with the GA.

2. ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The 1st CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network International Conference theme was “**Toward an Effective and Self-reliant Maritime Local Government**”. The objectives of the conference were:

1. Sharing practical experience among the LG in managing marine seascape, marine resources including community based conservation and sustainable fisheries for food security
2. Sharing lesson learned from implementation of good maritime governance principles including local development planning that address those emerging issues on AEC 2016 and marine environmental challenges including climate change adaptation and mitigation and IUU (Illegal, Unreported, Unregulated) Fishing.
3. Sharing strategic approach and practical experience among the LG in engaging or implementing public private partnership

Based on the conference’s theme; the conference addressed three main emerging regional issues on:

1. **ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) 2016** as a dynamic, on-going process of regional economic integration, which lead to development of business competitiveness and engagement;
2. **Exchange in best practices** on good maritime governance including the principles of good governance such as transparency and responsive regulatory, and active engagement with the private sector and community-based institutions;
3. **Capacity building of local governments and their community** on marine conservation and sustainable fisheries for food security.

Based on the presentations given by the speakers, the conference discussed:

1. Marine Ecotourism and Sustainable Business Development (Green Growth & Blue Economy),
2. Integrated Waste and Water Management (Best Practices),
3. Local Governments Roles in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation,
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Lead and Host Organizers:

- CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network
- The Government of Wakatobi Regency, Indonesia
- CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat
- CTI-CFF National Coordinating Committee Indonesia (CTI-CFF Indonesia NCC)

Partners:

- USAID
- US Department of Interior (US DoI)
- The Nature Conservancy
- WWF
- Coral Triangle Center
- RARE

3. ACTIVITY PROCEEDINGS

The 1st CTI-CFF Local Government Network (LGN) International Conference was part of the CTI-CFF LGN General Assembly. This event was simultaneously joined and commenced with International Workshop on the Role of Local Governments in Implementing the Lima Action Plan for Biosphere Reserves (UNESCO-MAB) and ASWINDO Workshop on Supporting Marine Tourism Acceleration.

The 1st CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network International Conference was attended by two keynote speakers; Mayor of Alotau, Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea, Mr. Gita Elliot; and Provincial Secretary of Isabel Provincial Government, Isabel Province, Solomon Island, Mr. John Selwyn Vasuni. There were three (3) speakers from local government around Indonesia who participated in the conference. The first speaker was the head of Fisheries and Marine Affairs office of Buleleng Regency, Mrs. Made Arnika. The second speaker was the head of Marine Affairs and Fisheries office of Ambon Municipality, Mrs. Ferdinanda Louhenapessy. The third speaker was the Division head of Planning and Development Agency of Fak-fak Regency, Mr. Abdul Haviedz. In addition, there was also speaker from United Cities of Local Governments-Asia Pacific, the Secretary General, Dr. Bernadia Tjandradewi.



Figure 1 Hugua, chair of CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network gave opening speech

The opening program was graced by the Mayor of Wakatobi Regency, Mr. Hugua with a welcome remark. In his remarks, he highlighted the importance roles of local governments in implementing CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) on the ground. In this case, solid management structure of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN was imperative in pursuing better coordination within local government in the CT countries.

The first speaker of the conference was the Honorable Mayor Gita Eliot, Mayor of Alotau Town. He shared the experience the role of Alotau Urban Local Level Government overcome the environment issue. The summary of the presentation were described below:

Case study on Alotau Urban Local Level Government (AULLG), Milne Bay Province (MBP), Papua New Guinea (PNG), the Honourable Mayor Gita Eliot, Mayor of Alotau Town

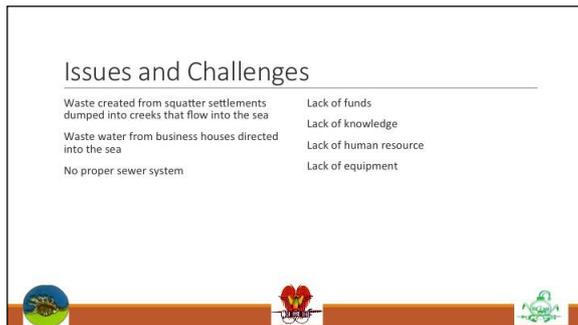


Figure 2 Issues and challenges faced by Alotau

Milne Bay is a maritime province that is made up of 4 districts in which three of the districts are made up of small islands and one on the mainland of Papua New Guinea. The capitol city of Milne Bay province is Alotau town. The town is located on the mainland of PNG where 12,000 people reside. It has 6 wards and 6 councillors. The town faces waste management issues since there are no sewer water systems. As a result, wastes from the settlement area were dumped in to the creek. In addition, the wastewater from the business house was directed in to the sea. In the end, all of the wastes were flow to the sea. The town government needed to overcome these issues. How ever, they face some challenges such as lack of funds, knowledge, equipment and human resource.



Figure 3 The honorable Gita Elliot gave presentation

To overcome these issues, the Alotau City Council started by recognized the importance in improving the waste management and collection. The next step taken was partnering with other stakeholder in improving waste collection and to improve the capacity of city council’s staffs. One thing that the Alotau town government learnt that the marine life will be healthy and protected once the waste on land is not dumped on the sea. As an outcome from managed waste system, the tourists visit to Alotau has increased recently. In addition, Alotau also develop hygiene fish market. Based on the experience, Alotau town is creating a waste plan that involves more with other stakeholders. It is hope that this plan will improve the way of life for the people reside there.

The second speaker presented the lesson learned were Mrs. Ferdinanda Louhenapessy, Head of Marine Affairs and Fisheries office of Ambon Municipality. She shared the sustainable partnership conducted by the municipality of Ambon in conservation and tourism by empowering the local community. The summary of the presentation were explained below:

Sustainable Partnership, Mrs. Ferdinanda Louhenapessy, Head of Marine Affairs and Fisheries office of Ambon Municipality

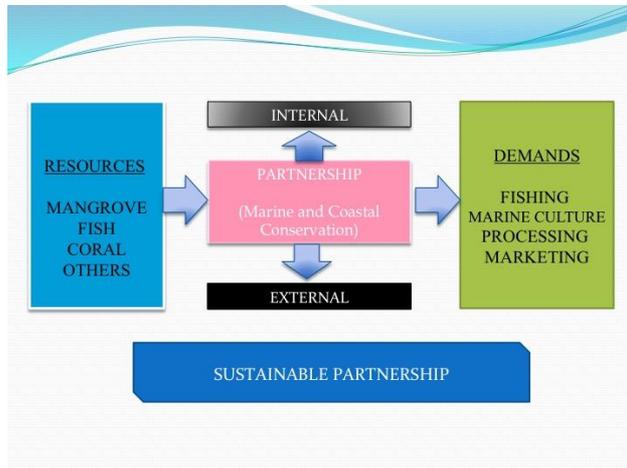


Figure 4 The sustainable partnership diagram conducted by Ambon Municipality

Ambon Municipality is located in Ambon Island with area comprise 377 Km² of land and 409 Km² of waters. Ambon has 102,7 Km long of coastal line that comprise of 28.292,89 hectares of coastal area. There are 417.655 inhabitants reside in Ambon in 2015. The sustainable partnerships, in the context of marine and coastal conservation, that Ambon Municipality has developed mainly categorized into two elements which are internal partnership and external partnership. The internal partnership were conducted among the departments, bureau and agencies in the Ambon Municipality. Meanwhile, the external partnership were carried out with the external parties such as national government, NGOs, research center, universities and private sector. The partnership were based on the need to utilize coastal resources in order to fulfill the demands for marine resources. One case study shared is the CCDP-IFAD project that succesfully achieve coastal and marine conservation goals in hundreds local community groups in thirteen villages. In the future, Ambon Municipality plans to develop partnership with the form of sister cities with Darwin and to develop Ambon waterfront city.

Mrs Made Arnike, Head of Fisheries and Marine Affairs office of Buleleng Regency became third speaker in the conference. She presented the coral reef habitat restoration conducted in Buleleng Regency. The summary of her presentation were described below:



Figure 5 Mrs. Louhannapessy explained about sustainable partnership

Coral Reef Habitat Restoration in Buleleng Regency's Marine Protected Area, Made Arnike, Head of Fisheries and Marine Affairs office of Buleleng Regency

The development of Marine Protected Area (MPA) in Buleleng Regency were initiated in 2000. This effort continues until Buleleng produced Buleleng Regency's coastal zone management strategic plan (2009-2027) in 2008 in which it mentioned about the planning of MPA development. In 2011, Buleleng Regency announced the gazettement of MPA in Bululeng. There were three case study being presented which are West Buleleng MPA, East Buleleng MPA, and Central Buleleng MPA. The first two mentioned MPA involved extensive coral reef habitat restoration using biorock method, hexadome method, reef transplantation and Bioreeftek method. The lesson learnt from Buleleng is the partnership between government, scientist, community village, NGOs and Private Sector.

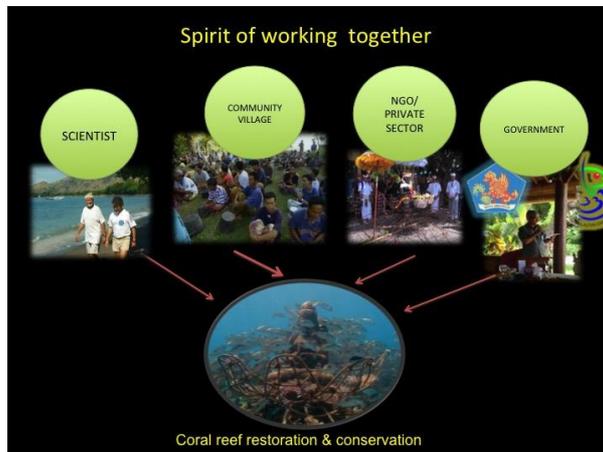


Figure 6 Stakeholder involvement in restoring coral reef habitat in Buleleng Regency

The fourth speaker presented in the conference were come Solomon Islands. The speaker's name is John. Selwyn Vasuni, , Provincial Secretary, Isabel Province, Solomon Islands. He explained about marine ecotourism and sustainable bussines development in Isabel Province, Solomon Islands. The summary of the presentation is described below:

Marine Ecotourism and Sustainable Business Development (Green Growth and Blue Economy), John S. Vasuni, Provincial Secretary, Isabel Province, Solomon Islands.



Figure 7 tourism products offered in Isabel Province, Solomon Islands

The Isabel Province Government (IPG) developed policy statement on four (4) thematic target areas, which are tourism development, community assistance to business, infrastructure development as driving factor to economic development and enhancing women in small economic aspiration. The tourism development in Isabel Province is based on the resource management as product to drive blue economy in tourism sector. Several activities that has been done by the provincial government were architect design, marine biodiversity survey, consultation with traditional owning groups and dialogue with National Government to secure the development funds. The Isabel Provincial Government has prioritised its community assistance grants through provincial members on helping existing businesses to expand, assisting new business operations and providing training on entrepreneurship and small business management through Business and Commerce office. The IPG prioritized the infrastructure development on building of roads connections to economic regions mainly on agriculture and agro-forestry in the province, build additional airports to improve tourism development and build Tatamba economic centre. In term of enhancing women in small economic aspirations, IPG through its community assistance program has allocated and disbursed 240,000 dolar to assist women in economic related projects.

The fifth presenter was Abdul Haviedz. He is the division head of planning and development Agency (BAPPEDA) of Fak-fak Regency. He presented about Fak-fak government role in mitigate the climate change and their experience incorporating climate change adaptation into the local government development program. The summary of Fakfak Regency presentation is described below:

Government Role in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation, Abdul Haviedz, Division head of Planning and Development Agency of Fak-fak Regency

The Fakfak Regency has area of 14,320 Km² with coastal line length of 1,056.66 KM. Fakfak Regency Government has conducted several action to adapt and mitigate the climate change. Regarding development planning, the climate change adaptation strategy has to be integrated in the planning and budgeting. In agricultural sector, Fakfak government has develop twelve (12) ranch to breed livestock. In addition, they have opened 1,847 hectares of land for new plantation and change 4,880 hectares of critical land to more productive land by cultivating new plant. Planting mangroves in coastal area is one of the climate change adaptation strategy that being implemented by Fakfak government in order to protect the coastal shore. In addition, the government encourage people who live in coastal area to find alternative income sources such as seaweed cultivation. Fakfak Government also implemented integrated water source management by conserving the watershed through replanting trees and maintenance of water system. The Fakfak government develop Malaria Center as the office that manage

every aspects related to malaria. In Suburban area, Fakfak Government has conducted maintenanced of sewer system based on topographic and land contour., Fakfak regency used radio broadcast as media to raise people awareness on climate change.

The sixth presenter who deliver presentation in the conference was Dr. Bernadia Tjandradewi. She is the Secretary General of United Cities of Local Governments-Asia Pacific (UCLG-ASPAC). Dr. Tjandradewi shared UCLG-ASPAC experiance in managing local government organisation and developing its governance. The summary of the presentation can be found below:

Organisation Principles in Local Government, Dr. Bernadia Tjandradewi, Secretary General of United Cities of Local Governments-Asia Pacific (UCLG-ASPAC)

The presentation was started explaining the definition and principles of organization. UCLG ASPAC was established on 14 April 2004 in Taipei. It is one the Regional Sections of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), an amalgamation of IULA, UTO, and Metropolis in 2004 with its headquarters in Barcelona, Spain. UCLG is a worldwide association and the only local government organisation recoqnized by the United Nations, and nominates 10 out of 20 members of the United Nations Advisory Committee of Local Authorities (UNACLA), the first formal advisory body of local authorities affiliated with the UN. The governance structures of UCLG ASPAC are consists of Regional General Assembly (RGA), Regional Council (RC), Executive Bureau (ExBU), Presidency, and General Secretariat which lead by Secretariat Secretary. The UCLG ASPAC General Secretariat headquarters in located in Jakarta, Indonesia.

The Jakarta's secretariat consist of five functions which are member services, capacity development and training, finance and administration, communication and information and strategic services. Its memberships is divided into four (4) categories which are 1) Local Government Association, 2) Individual Local Government, 3) Associate members, and 4) Honorary members. The statutory meetings were held regularly in order to assure transparency and planning by consensus among members in running organisation. There are three (3) statutory meetings in UCLG ASPAC which are: a) the Regional Assembly which is convened every two years, b) the Regional Council which is convened once a year, c) the Executive Bureau which meet twice a year.

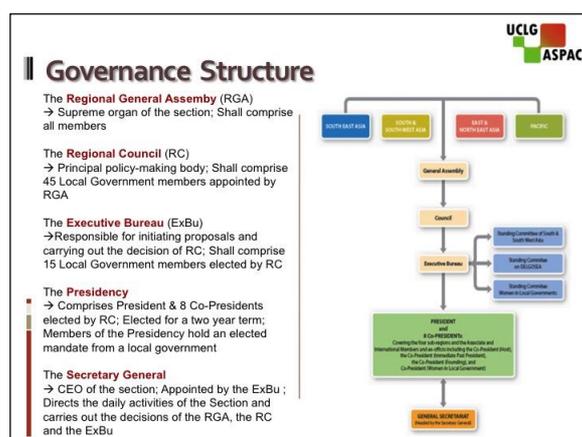


Figure 8 UCLG -ASPAC governance structure

There was a discussion session once the presenters finished the presentation. Some highlights from the discussion were:

1. Some of the Indonesian local government representative have not understand the implementation of Indonesian Law Number 23, 2015. This regulation has stated that regent or district in Indonesia has no authorities to manage coastal area up to 12 nautical miles. This would include develop conservation area. In other way, the regency or district did not have budget to manage marine and coastal area. Presenter from Ambon municipality responded that they still conduct bussines as usual. Once the Central Government stipulate regulation related to the law, then they will work based on the regulations.
2. Some of Indonesian local government participants has developed partnerships with other stakeholders, in this case NGO's, and private sector to support conservation works in their area. This strategy has been used to outsmart the regulation.
3. Representative from Buleleng Regency encourage other participants to utilize village regulations to develope conservation area. In addition, Mrs. Ferdinanda from Ambon municipality also encourage to use customary law such as sasi in Maluku.
4. The Chair of CTI-CFF LGN suggest to develop forum to review the law number 23. Further he hoped that this forum could also make comparison on the others CTI-CFF members manages the marine resource.
5. There was a concern raised by one of participants from Wakatobi Regency about ornamental fisheries harvesting that destruct the coral reef. It was discovered that there are no regulation on ornamental fisheries in Indonesia. The one that exist that regulation that control ornamental fish related to CITES (the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora)

4. OUTCOMES AND WAY FORWARD

The first Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF) Local Government Network International Conference were intended as a vessel for each members to communicate, share practical experience and lesson learned in managing marine environment. It was hoped that the similar event will be conducted regularly involving more local governments participants from other CT countries. In addition, the conference was served as the opening of the first CTI-CFF Maritime LGN General Assembly.



Figure 9 Group photo of CTI-CFF Maritime Local Government Network International Conference

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A.2 AGENDA

The 1st CTI-CFF Local Government Network (LGN) International Conference was part of the CTI-CFF LGN General Assembly. This event was simultaneously joined and commenced with International Workshop on the Role of Local Governments in Implementing the Lima Action Plan for Biosphere Reserves (UNESCO-MAB) and ASWINDO Workshop on Supporting Marine Tourism Acceleration. The international conference was held on June 3, 2016 in Patuno Resort Hotel, Wakatobi, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia.

TIME (WITA)	AGENDA	SPEAKER	Moderator/ Facilitator
08:30-08:40	REGISTRATION		
08:40-09:00	Opening Speech	MAYOR OF WAKATOBI & MARITIME LGN CHAIRMAN (MR. HUGUA)	
09:00-09:20	Waste Management	MAYOR OF ALOTAU, MILNE BAY PROVINCE, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (MR. GITA ELLIOT)	Abdul Manan
09:40-10:00	Sustainable Partnership	MAYOR OF AMBON (MR. RICHARD LOUHENAPESSY)	Abdul Manan
10:00-10:20	COFFEE BREAK		
10:20-10:40	Coral Reefs Habitat Restoration	MAYOR OF BULELENG - REPRESENTED BY HEAD OF FISHERIES DIVISION (MRS. MADE ARNIKA)	M. Imran Amin
10:40-11:00	Local Governments Roles in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation	MAYOR OF FAKFAK (MR. MOHAMMAD USWANAS)	J. Subijanto
11:00-11:20	Marine Ecotourism and Sustainable Business Development (Green Growth and Blue Economy)	PROVINCIAL SECRETARY OF ISABEL PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT, ISABEL PROVINCE (MR. JOHN SELWYN VASUNI)	M. Imran Amin
11:20-11:50	DISCUSSION		M. Imran Amin
11:50-13:30	PRAYING & LUNCH		
13:30-13:50	Organization Principles in Local Governments	SECRETARY GENERAL OF UCLG-ASPAC (Dr. Bernadia Irawati Tjandradewi)	J. Subijanto
14:10-14:20	DISCUSSION		J. Subijanto

**The 1st General Assembly of
CTI CFF Maritime Local Government Network (LGN)
3 June 2016
Wakatobi – Indonesia**

The Regency of Wakatobi, Southeast of Sulawesi, Indonesia hosted the 1stCTI-CFF Local Government Network (LGN) General Assembly. Delegates from Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and a number of regencies from Indonesia attended the General Assembly. The list of participants is attached as in **Annex I**.

The General Assembly of LGN was preceded by the 1stCTI-CFF Local Government Network International Conference at morning session. These events took theme "toward an effective and self-reliant maritime local government" addressing local and regional economic integration, exchange in best practices as well as capacity building of local governments and their community.

It may be mentioned that the 1stCTI-CFF Local Government Network (LGN) General Assembly was simultaneously joined and commenced with International Workshop on the Role of Local Governments in Implementing the Lima Action Plan for Biosphere Reserves (UNESCO-MAB) and ASWINDO Workshop on Supporting Marine Tourism Acceleration.

1. Opening Session

Mayor of Wakatobi Regency, Mr. Hugua gave a welcome remark. In his remarks, he highlighted the importance of local governments in implementing CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) on the ground. In this case, solid management structure of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN was imperative in pursuing better coordination within local government in the CT countries.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

After consideration amongst the delegates, the Meeting was amended and adopted the agenda of the meeting as in **Annex II**.

3. Apologies for Absence and Approval of Substitutes of Attendance

The Meeting was briefly informed by the co-chair, Mayor Gita Elliot, regarding a list of absence and subsequently their respective alternate for attending the General Assembly. The list is attached as in **Annex III**.

4. Review the Report of the First Executive Committee Meeting (27 August 2015, Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia)

The representative from CTC, Mr. Subijanto, informed the Meeting regarding the report of Report of the First Executive Committee Meeting held on 27 August 2015 in Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia. In his report, he highlighted that the proceeding of the said meeting along with its decisions and recommendation, including the draft of Constitution of LGN. He also underlined that the General Assembly was important meeting for further decision making procedure of the CTI-CFF Maritime LGN. The report of the First Executive Committee Meeting is attached as in **Annex IV**.

5. The Report of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN Activities

The representative from TNC, Mr. Imran Amin, updated the Meeting pertaining the report of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN activities since 2015. In his report, he highlighted a number of LGN activities regionally and internationally in pursuing the RPOA promotion and implementation. The text report of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN Activities is attached as in **Annex V**.

6. Consideration and Adoption of the draft Statute and Constitution of Maritime LGN

The discussion of draft of Constitution of Maritime LGN was facilitated by Mr. Abdul Manan from Haluoleo University. The Meeting reviewed the draft of the LGN Constitution for further consideration. The Meeting made some amendments, among others, the management structure of LGN, Membership and obligations. After extensive deliberation among the participants, the Meeting adopted the final document of the Constitution of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN as attached in **Annex VI**.

7. Consideration of Draft Wakatobi Declaration

The representative from RARE, Mr. Arwandrija Rukma, (Director for Policy and Programmatic of RARE) facilitated the discussion of the draft Wakatobi Declaration. This declaration was a joint declaration between CTI-CFF Maritime LGN, MAB-UNESCO and ASWINDO.

The three entities agreed on the following integrated activities:

- 1) CTI-CFF LGN, ASWINDO and MAB-UESCO agreed to develop capacity building program that can benefit the members of the three networks;
- 2) Encourage local governments of the three networks to develop and support biosphere reserve areas for sustainable development are to be integrated with regional development planning of the local government (RPJMD and PERDA); and
- 3) Encourage local governments to play role in achieving Sustainable Development Goals number 14 by promoting and developing sustainable marine tourism that can benefit local community and economy in each respected countries.

After further consideration among the participants, the meeting adopted the Wakatobi Declaration as attached in **Annex VII**.

8. Adoption of Meeting Recommendations

Under this agenda item, Mr. Arwandrija Rukma, (Director for Policy and Programmatic of RARE) facilitated the proceeding. He informed the floor pertaining a set of recommendation taken from the discussion of General Assembly. The meeting agreed on the following recommendations:

- a) The meeting reviewed and accepted the activity report of the 1st Executive Committee Meeting Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF) Maritime Local Government Network (LGN) held on 27 August 2015 in Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia.
- b) The Meeting acknowledged and accepted the report of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN activities and emphasized there was a need to implement outcomes as outlined in the said report in tangible and timely manners.
- c) The Meeting reviewed and endorsed the restructured the LGN Constitution that include some amendments.
- d) The Meeting considered and agreed that two (2) regencies from Indonesia, Fak-Fak Regency and Gianyar Regency, to become new members of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN.
- e) The Meeting agreed that strengthening management structure of CTI-CFF Maritime LGN was imperative in order to have better framework mechanism and effective coordination within the LGN community
- f) The Meeting encouraged local governments in CTI-CFF Member States to join the CTI-CFF Maritime LGN with a view of consolidating each of local government member

to pursue the Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) implementation at local communities' level and in timely manners

- g) The next event of LGN to be held probably as side event of the UCLG-ASPAC meeting on 25-27 July 2016 in Surabaya, East Java. Mayor of Buleleng is expected to become as speaker.
- h) The 2nd General Assembly of Maritime LGN to be held in Buleleng, Bali, Indonesia in 2017. The tentative date and venue to be informed in due course.
- i) The meeting acknowledged and adopted the document of Wakatobi Declaration as part of commitment binding in pursuing common and integrated activities under the CTI-CFF Maritime LGN in achieving the RPOA. It was expected that the local governments under CTI-CFF Maritime LGN to follow up the declaration provision accordingly. The text of Wakatobi Declaration is attached for ready reference.

9. Closing Session

The Chairman expressed his gratitude and appreciation to all delegates for the constructive ideas and fruitful discussion during the meeting.

Subsequently, the participating delegates also conveyed their deep gratitude to Regency of Wakatobi, Southeast Sulawesi of Indonesia for hosting the events with excellent venue and arrangements.

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