



**Concept Note and Provisional Agenda  
The 5<sup>th</sup> CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group Meeting  
Banten - Indonesia, 18-19 October 2018**

- Title of the event** : The 5<sup>th</sup> CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group Meeting  
**Proposed date** : 18-19 October 2018  
**Venue** : **Bandara International Hotel**  
Soekarno-Hatta Airport Area  
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- Organizer/host of the event** : Indonesian Coordinating Ministry of Maritime Affairs  
Indonesian Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries
- Participants** :  
▪ NCCs and SWG Parties from Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Timor Leste,  
▪ Regional Secretariat of CTI-CFF  
▪ Embassy of Timor Leste, Papua New Guinea, and Solomon Islands in Jakarta  
▪ Development partners & collaborators

### **Background**

The CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action (RPOA) was designed to leverage and coordinate action and investment across this vast expanse of ocean space. Goal 1 of the RPOA is “Priority Seascapes’ Designated and Effectively Managed.” This Goal directs CTI-CFF countries to prioritize large-scale geographies for investment and action and expand the use of best practices in these areas. Under this Goal, the first target includes ‘Priority Seascapes Designated, with Investment Plans Completed and Sequenced’. The Sulu Sulawesi Seascape was the first and only Priority Seascape already endorsed.

Seascapes are areas in which the management and conservation of natural resources can coexist to provide a pathway towards sustainable economic development. The integrative nature of seascapes allows for the pursuit of a multitude of commitments, targets and goals to improve ecological and socio-economic well-being. A range of planning tools can be utilized to pursue seascapes. Investment in achieving the elements of seascapes will help the CTI countries meet both international and national level commitments and targets.

During the SOM 13 held in Manila on November 2017, one of the Seascapes related decisions endorsed was the decision “Support the continued progress of the Lesser Sunda and the Bismarck Solomon Sea Ecoregion (BSSE) towards “priority seascape” nomination”. This recommendation was also included in the Work Plan of the Seascapes Working Group 2018.

Following up the SOM 13 decision, a multilateral meeting was held at Jakarta on 20 April 2018 in order to continue the nomination progress of the Lesser Sunda and BSSE as Priority Seascapes. Setting the target of endorsing and adopting the Lesser Sunda and Bismarck Solomon Seas Ecoregion as Priority Seascapes in the upcoming SOM 14 this year, there are several steps need to be fulfilled to meet the procedures for trans-boundary Priority Seascapes designation, as suggested in the document of Seascapes General Model and Regional Framework for Priority Seascapes.

Another Seascapes related decisions during the SOM 13 was “Task the Seascapes Working Group to finalize the Updated Rules of Procedure in time for SOM 14”. This document is essential to play as a guidance for decision making process within the Sescapes Working Group in the future.

In addition, the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape Convergence Meeting held in Cebu - Philippines on July 2018 highlighted another concern on the needs of creating sub-regional working groups under the structure of Seascapes Working Group for each of the priority seascape, namely Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape, also Lesser Sunda and BSSE once adopted at the SOM14.

### **Objectives of the event**

1. To follow up and evaluate the nomination of Lesser Sunda and BSSE as priority seascapes of CTI-CFF
2. To finalize the Rules of Procedure of the CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group, including the proposed coordination structure for each of the priority seascape under the Seascapes WG

### **Expected Outcomes**

1. Formal endorsement of Lesser Sunda and BSSE as priority seascapes by the SWG to the CTI-CFF Council of Senior Officials for the consideration at the SOM 14
2. The finalization of the Rules of Procedure of the CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group, including the coordination structure for each of the priority seascape under the Seascapes WG

## Provisional Agenda

Time	Agenda	Person in Charge/Facilitator	Remarks
<b>Wednesday, 17 October 2018: Arrival of Participants</b>			
<b>Day 1: Thursday, 18 October 2018</b>			
08.30-09.00	Registration	Organizer	
	<b>Opening</b>		
09.00-09.10	Remarks	Acting Executive Director of CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat	
09.10-09.25	Opening remarks	Chair of SWG	
09.25-09.30	Introduction of participants	Chair of SWG	
09.30-09.35	Review & approval of provisional agenda	Chair of SWG	
09.35-10.00	Group photo and coffee break		
	<b>Session 1</b>		
10.00-10.15	Presentation on the progress made toward the nomination of Lesser Sunda and BSSE as priority seascapes	SWG Indonesia	
10.15-10.35	Response from PNG on BSSE	Chair of SWG	Each country is expected to give comments and inputs to support the nomination the priority seascapes.
10.35-10.55	Response from Solomon Islands on BSSE	Chair of SWG	
10.55-11.15	Response from Timor Leste on Lesser Sunda	Chair of SWG	
11.15-12.00	Discussion	Chair of SWG	
12.00-13.30	Lunch break		
	<b>Session 2</b>		
13.30-15.00	SWG evaluate the nominated priority seascapes	Chair of SWG	
15.00-15.15	Coffee break		
	<b>Session 3</b>		
15.15-16.30	SWG approve and endorsed Lesser Sunda and BSSE as priority seascapes (or not)	Chair of SWG	
18.00-finished	Dinner (provided)		
<b>Day 2: Friday, 19 October 2018</b>			
	<b>Session 4</b>		
08.30-08.45	Present the results of Convergenve Meeting on the idea of sub-working groups of Sulu-Sulawesi, Lesser Sunda, and BBSE under the SWG structure	Chair of SWG	This was the recommendation of Convergence Meeting in Cebu on July 2018

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08.45-09.30	Discussion		
09.30-09.45	Coffee break		
	<b>Session 5</b>		
09.45-10.00	Present the Draft Rules of Procedure of the CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group	Chair of SWG	
10.00-11.00	Country inputs and discussion	Chair of SWG	
11.00-12.00	Finalize the Rules of Procedure of the CTI-CFF Seascapes Working Group	Chair of SWG	
12.00-12.30	Outcome and closing remarks	Chair of SWG	
12.30-finished	Lunch (provided)		
18.00-finished	Dinner (provided)		