CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE
ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

CHAIR'S SUMMARY

Program Activity 1.3:
Workshop on Catch Documentation and Traceability (CDT)
System Design and Development Based on Ecosystem Approach to Management of Fisheries (EAFM) in Timor Leste

Adopted on 26th June 2019

An EAFM Technical Working Group Activity

By the Governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands and Timor Leste

1. The workshop on Catch Documentation and Traceability (CDT) System Design and Development Based on Ecosystem Approach to Management of Fisheries (EAFM) was held on 25th and 26th June at the Timor Plaza Hotel & Apartments, Dili, Timor Leste.

2. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Jose Lucas Da Silva from Timor-Leste and co-chaired by Dr. Norasma Dacho from Malaysia and attended by members of EAFM TWG, representatives of CT6, development partners and collaborators.

3. The objectives of the meeting were to:

   a. Enable CT6 member countries to understand how eCDT systems can support EAFM planning and enhance national fisheries management, and
   b. Learn about existing eCDT systems that can be adapted and customized based on individual CT6 country needs.

B. SUMMARY: DECISIONS

B.1: OPENING CEREMONY

1.1 Acknowledge and appreciate the Welcome Remarks of the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat Interim Executive Director Dr. Hendra Yusran Siry; the Keynote Remarks from USAID Mission Director to Timor Leste Dr. Diana Pulman; and Opening Remarks from Timor Leste Director General of Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Mr. Acacio Guterres (Remarks attached in Annex 1)

1.2 Accept the appointment of Rapporteurs namely, Ms. Janet Rosalie Anne Polita from the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat and Ms. Asuncion Sia from USAID Oceans;

1.3 Acknowledge the attendance of the CT6 member country representatives and Development Partners and Collaborators (Attendance List attached in Annex 2);

1.4 Agree to adopt the Provisional Agenda for the workshop on Catch Documentation and Traceability (CDT) System Design and Development Based on Ecosystem Approach to Management of Fisheries (EAFM) noting the adjustment of Session 2.2 Country Presentation of Indonesia to be moved from morning to afternoon session as reflected in Annex 3;

1.5 Acknowledge the technical presentations on electronic ASEAN Catch Documentation Scheme (eACDS) from SEAFDEC, Seafood Import Monitoring Program (SIMP) from NOAA and electronic Catch Documentation and Traceability System (eCDTS) from USAID Oceans (presentations attached in Annex 4);

1.6 Acknowledge the importance of CDT technology, taking particular note that eCDT systems should be built upon existing CDT protocols, and supported by strong enforcement among government agencies and presence of a clear business model; and that effective fisheries management plans

should incorporate and be backed by eCDT systems along with other management measures.

B.2: PRESENTATIONS OF REGIONAL AND NATIONAL eCDT SYSTEMS

2.1 Acknowledge the respective country presentations of inputs for the updated CDT Profiles of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands and Timor Leste as reflected in Annex 5;

2.2 Agree to submit to the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat by 15th July 2019 feedback/inputs on the Table of Current Data Collection Methods (Annex 6) used for CDT by each CT6 country and a table on potential expansion plans to be circulated among CT6 member countries by the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat and inputted in the draft RPOA 2.0;

2.3 Acknowledge that human welfare and gender considerations are integral to fisheries management and should be included as key data elements in the eCDT programs of the CT6 countries and considered in the RPOA 2.0, and note the effort of USAID Oceans to advocate during its remaining life of project for development partners and other related stakeholders to continue the work that it has started with respect to human welfare and gender;

2.4 Note that CT6 member countries, except the Philippines, have no experts on CDT, and suggest that USAID Oceans use this gap as an opportunity to support future activities during its remaining life of project; and

2.5 Acknowledge that all resources and publications developed by USAID Oceans are public domain, and encourage the CT6 countries to use and adapt these resources and publications according to their respective needs as may be applicable.

B.3. OTHER MATTERS

2.3 Acknowledge the verbal note from the Government of Colombia as part of the Joint work between CMAR (Ecuador, Panama, Costa Rica and Colombia) and CTI-CFF to conduct a 5-day theoretical-practical workshop for the development of a protocol for the monitoring of marine protected areas in Gorgona, Colombia noting that travel costs (international airfare, local transportation, accommodation and food) for CTI-CFF delegates shall be covered by the Government of Colombia (Annex 6);

2.4 Request the Regional Secretariat to communicate to the CTI-CFF MPA TWG about the CMAR project;

2.5 Request the Regional Secretariat to coordinate and facilitate the Annual EAFM Technical Working Group Meeting to be held back to back with the Annual Seascape Technical Working Group meeting in the 1st week of September 2019 in Manila, Philippines; and

2.6 Agree for development partners to further support the renewal process of the RPOA and the planning and implementation of the RPOA 2.0.

B.4: CLOSING

3.1 Acknowledge the financial support provided by the USAID Regional Development Mission for Asia (RDMA) and U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) towards the Workshop. Also, express thanks to the Timor Leste CTI-CFF Coordinating Committee for co-hosting the workshop, to the members of the EAFM WG for their participation, to Regional Secretariat Interim Executive Director for his leadership, and to the Regional Secretariat team for their substantial preparation and successful handling of the meeting.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAIR'S SUMMARY DECISIONS

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