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Regional Inception Workshop for the  
SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Project:  
*“Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia  
in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand”*

Bangkok, Thailand, 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016

### **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

- 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**
  - 1.1 Welcome address on behalf of the Project Coordinating Unit
  - 1.2 Welcome address on behalf of the United Nations Environment Programme
  - 1.3 Official opening by the SEAFDEC Secretary General
  - 1.4 Group photograph and media interviews
  
- 2. ORGANISATION OF THE MEETING**
  - 2.1 Introduction of participants
  - 2.2 Election of officers (Chairperson; Vice-Chairperson; and Rapporteur)
  - 2.3 Documentation available to the meeting
  - 2.4 Programme of work and arrangements for the conduct of the meeting
  
- 3. ADOPTION OF THE MEETING AGENDA**
  
- 4. COORDINATION MECHANISMS FOR THE FISHERIES REFUGIA PROJECT**
  - 4.1 Presentation of the purpose, goals and objectives of the fisheries *refugia* project
  - 4.2 An overview of the Project Management Framework for the initiative
  - 4.3 Consideration of Terms of Reference, Membership, and Rules of Procedure for regional and national organs of the Project Management Framework
  
- 5. DEVELOPING A RESULTS-BASED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE FISHERIES REFUGIA PROJECT**
  - 5.1 Consideration of GEF and UNEP minimum standards for monitoring and evaluation
  - 5.2 Presentation of regional and national results frameworks for the fisheries *refugia* project
  - 5.3 Discussion of steps required to confirm and finalise baselines, including recommendations for the monitoring of project effectiveness and environmental stress reduction
  - 5.4 Development of a Project Monitoring and Evaluation Framework
  
- 6. SUPPORTING THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL NEEDS OF THE PROJECT**
  - 6.1 Preparation of fisheries *refugia* site characterisations focussing on the quality and expanse of habitats, trends in annual production and value of harvests, the number and type of fishing vessels and gear used in the area and village/community level socio-economic information
  - 6.2 Development of protocols for delineating the boundaries of locations that act as fisheries *refugia*
  - 6.3 A causal chain/diagnostic analysis approach to the identification of threats to fish life-cycle and critical habitat linkages at priority fisheries *refugia* sites

- 6.4 Review of enabling environments for the declaration and management of fisheries *refugia*, including the formulation of recommendations for amendments
- 6.5 Compilation of information and data into a regional GIS on the distribution of coastal habitats, fisheries *refugia*, locations of Marine Protected Areas and fisheries management zones, as well as fish egg and larvae distribution and abundance
- 6.6 Development of a modelling system, linking known sources and sinks of fish larvae to ocean circulation patterns and nutrient/chlorophyll concentrations in the South China Sea
- 6.7 Preparation of synthesis reports relating to the science and management of fish life-cycle and critical habitat linkages

**7. SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT NETWORKS**

**8. PLANNING EFFECTIVE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND PARTICIPATION IN PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

- 8.1 Conducting stakeholder analyses and engagement planning
- 8.2 Gender mainstreaming in project execution
- 8.3 Gender mainstreaming initiatives of SEAFDEC

**9. DEVELOPING A COMMUNICATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR THE FISHERIES *REFUGIA* PROJECT**

- 9.1 Presentation of communications and knowledge management needs in support of project execution
- 9.2 Establishing mechanisms for the capture and exchange of lessons learned and best practices

**10. PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL SITUATION REPORTS**

**11. OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTNERSHIPS AND LINKAGES WITH OTHER NATIONAL AND REGIONAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES**

- 11.1 The UNEP/GEF project entitled 'Implementing the Strategic Action Programme for the South China Sea'
- 11.2 The SEAFDEC-SWEDEN Mechanism
- 11.3 The GEF supported 'Coastal Fisheries Initiative'
- 11.4 The USAID supported 'Oceans and Fisheries Partnership' initiative
- 11.5 The GEF supported 'Partnerships for the Environmental Management of the Seas of East Asia' Initiative
- 11.6 The GEF supported 'Global Sustainable Supply Chains for Marine Commodities' project
- 11.7 The GEF Small Grants Programme
- 11.8 Others

**12. CONSIDERATION OF LETTERS OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN SEAFDEC AND THE NATIONAL EXECUTING ENTITIES**

**13. WORK PLAN AND FINANCE MATTERS FOR THE FISHERIES *REFUGIA* PROJECT**

**14. DATE AND PLACE FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**16. FINALISATION OF THE REPORT OF THE WORKSHOP**

**17. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**