



coral triangle initiative

CHAIRMAN'S SUMMARY

Fourth Senior Officials Meeting

Kota Kinabalu, Sabah,
Malaysia

**CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE
ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY
(CTI-CFF)**

Adopted on 22 October 2009

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

I. Opening Session

The Fourth Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM4) of the Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF) was held in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia from 20th to 22nd October 2009. The meeting, which was open for observers, had the following goals:

- Complete the review, discussions and recommendations on CTI Organizational Structure and Terms of Reference (TOR) for Ministerial approval, working with the Coordination Mechanisms Working Group
- Reach agreement on issues regarding the establishment of Regional Secretariat (location, Terms of Reference, transition) and draft recommendations for Ministerial decisions
- Clarify Terms of Reference and Next Steps for Financial Resources Working Group to support 2010 Work plan
- Clarify Term of Reference and Next Steps for M&E Working Group and the possibility of additional working group(s) to support 2010 Work Plan
- Prepare CTI actions for UNFCCC Copenhagen Meeting
- Develop CTI Implementation Roadmap for 2010
- Elaborate collaboration and alignment of CTI Implementation program with partners
- Prepare recommendations for logistic and substantive aspects of the 2nd Ministerial Meeting
- Status report from CT6 country covering: NCC establishment, work plan, financial arrangement, etc.

The meeting was formally opened by Y.Bhg. Datin Madinah Mohamad, Chairman of the Malaysian National Coordination Committee (NCC) and the Secretary General of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia. Opening Remarks were delivered by Dr. Alex Retraubun, Chairman of the CTI Regional Secretariat and Director General of Marine, Coasts and Small Islands for the Indonesian Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries; and Dr. Noraieni Haji Mokhtar, Chair of the Organizing Committee and the CTI National Coordination Committee (NCC) for Malaysia.

II. Decisions

1. Coordination Mechanism of CT Cooperation

The meeting reviewed progress of the Coordination Mechanism Working Group to date, discussed and deliberated on the overall structure and relations of the CTI organization; and the terms of reference of CTI organizations. The meeting has received consensus that the two countries to consider for the location of the

Permanent Regional Secretariat are Indonesia and the Philippines. Detailed decisions from the Coordination Mechanism of CT Cooperation session are stated in the Decision Document on CTI Coordination Mechanism (ANNEX-1).

2. Financial Resources

The meeting was presented with the draft recommendations for the financial resources processes. Decisions were made on strategic stages which covers; national financial planning processes; region-wide CTI Financial Resources Strategy for Phase I; and High-Level Roundtable on CTI Financial Resources. Delegates also agreed on operational direction to carry out the strategic phases. Detailed decisions from the Financial Resources session are stated in the Decision Document on Financial Resources (ANNEX-2).

3. CTI Roles in UNFCCC

The meeting deliberated on the role of CTI for climate change adaptation measure at the upcoming UNFCCC in Copenhagen in December 2009. The decisions include agreement to support for inclusion of the ocean dimension and issues into the negotiation text of UNFCCC, to recommend Ministers to have a joint communiqué in regard of CTI RPOA as implementation instrument on Climate Change Adaptation at the OCEAN DAY in Copenhagen; and to enhance understanding and capacity of CT6 countries in the implementation of RPOA and NPOA of Climate Change adaptation. Detailed decisions from the CTI Role in UNFCCC session are stated in the Decision Document on CTI for Climate Change Adaptation (ANNEX-3).

4. Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

The meeting reviewed the results of the Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group (MEWG) and agreed to further review the draft indicators for adoption in 2nd Ministerial Meeting (MM2). Delegates agreed to continue mandated MEWG to develop the whole monitoring and evaluation system and present the draft to SOM6 in 2010 and develop recommendation for the National CTI Coordinating Committees (NCCC) to initiate the identification of quantitative targets by November 2009. Detailed decisions from Monitoring and Evaluation Framework session are stated in the Decision Document Monitoring and Evaluation (ANNEX-4).

5. Partners Work Plan Coordination and Alignment

The meeting reviewed presentations by partners from United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Australian Government Overseas Aid Program (AUSAID) and Asian Development Bank (ADB). Detailed agreements from Partners Work Plan Coordination and Alignment session are stated in the Decision Document Monitoring and Evaluation (ANNEX-5).

6. Preparations for the Second CTI Ministerial Meeting

Solomon Islands have presented the preparation for conducting the Second Ministerial Meeting in Gizo. The meeting agreed to have the SOM5 in Honiara

on 16-17 November, and Solomon Islands will confirm the venue of the Second Ministerial Meeting venue by invitation at the earliest convenience. It was agreed that the Agenda for SOM5 includes Coordination Mechanism; Report from all working groups; Recommendation on CTI Regional Secretariat location; and Recommendation on Joint communiqué on Climate Change Adaptation. Delegates to the meeting also agreed on the Agenda for the Ministerial Meeting which is Report from SOM4; Report on CTI implementation progress (RPoA and NPoA); Decision on CTI Regional Secretariat Location; Adopt Joint communiqué on Climate Change Adaptation; and Dialogue with CTI partners.

7. CTI Implementation Roadmap

CTI Regional Secretariat presented a CTI Implementation Roadmap for year 2009, 2010 and 2011. Agreed detailed roadmap for CTI implementation phase 2009 – 2011 is stated in the Decision Document on CTI Roadmap for 2009 – 2011 (ANNEX – 6).

8. Based on the Philippines proposal during the meeting, CT6 delegates agreed to recognize Sulu Sulawesi Marine Ecoregion (SSME) as one of priority seascape.
9. The CT6 delegates thanked the Government of Malaysia for hosting the Fourth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM4).

Signed on 22 October in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah Malaysia by:

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