



CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE

ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

CHAIR'S SUMMARY

CTI-CFF Financial and Staff Regulation
Working Group (FRWG) Meeting

adopted on 11th February 2019

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

A. INTRODUCTION

1. The Financial Resources Working Group (FRWG) Meeting of the Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries, and Food Security (CTI-CFF) was held at the CTI Learning Centre in Manado, North Sulawesi, Indonesia on 11th February 2019 (back-to-back with the IRC meeting at the same venue on 12th February 2019).
2. The FRWG Meeting was chaired by the Dr. Nagulendran Kangayatkaras of Malaysia, Vice-Chair of FRWG.
3. The objective of the FRWG Meeting is to carry out the tasks and decisions made during the SOM-14 and deliberate on the following points:
 - a. Revisit Roles of FRWG
 - b. External Funding Institutions
 - c. CTI-CFF Financial Rules and Regulations and Financial Policies and Procedures Manual
 - d. CTI-CFF Staff Rules and Regulations and Staff Policies and Procedures Manual
 - e. 2018 Annual Report

B. FRWG CHAIR'S SUMMARY: DECISIONS

SESSION 1: OPENING CEREMONY BY THE CHAIR of FRWG

- 1.1 Acknowledge the Opening Remarks by the Vice-Chair of the FRWG, Malaysia, who was represented by Dr. Nagulendran Kangayatkarasu and expressed thanks to the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat Interim Executive Director and the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat for organizing the meeting. He also thanked the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat for its hospitality and logistical preparation;
- 1.2 Accept the Welcome Remarks by the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat Interim Executive Director (IED), Dr. Hendra Yusran Siry who warmly welcomed the members of the FRWG to Manado, the birthplace and 'home,' the Headquarters of the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat. The IED expressed hope that in the two-day meetings, members would be able to deliberate and agree on matters and issues pertaining to the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat. He noted that the decisions and recommendations will surely help the Regional Secretariat to perform its full operational function in facilitating, coordinating and monitoring program and activities within the CT6 Member Parties. He expressed thanks again to the members and hoped that they could make the best of the opportunity to meet the goals of the meeting;
- 1.3 Accept the appointment of Rapporteurs from the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat, Ms. Janet Rosalie Anne Polita, Dr. Gregory Bennett and Mr. Ayodya Satryo Anggorojati;

- 1.4 Agree to adopt the provisional Agenda for the FRWG Meeting (Annex 1).

SESSION 2: REVISIT ROLES OF FRWG

- 2.1 Agree to recommend to the Chair of CSO to endorse the amended Draft Term of Reference (ToR) of the FRWG (Annex 2);
- 2.2 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to adopt the amended FRWG ToR in its operations; and
- 2.3 Take note of the amended Budget of FRWG for further deliberation at the Internal Resources Committee (IRC) meeting.

SESSION 3: EXTERNAL FUNDING INSTITUTIONS

- 3.1 Express concern on some partners organizing activities related the CTI-CFF, using the CTI-CFF brand without consultation and approval of the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat and CT6 Member Parties;
- 3.2 Endorse recommendation that all funds by donor country/partners shall be channeled to the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat with a certain management fee based on international standards. This is taking into account that the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat is now fully established and a legal entity since 2015, and as of 2017, the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat has been registered and deposited at the United Nations Secretary General as intergovernmental organization;
- 3.3 Endorse recommendation that the fee should be 15% of the gross contribution from the donor country/agency;
- 3.4 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to reactivate the Development Partners - CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat physical meeting (including potential donor country/agencies) among others to discuss on the new financial resource recommendation as in item number 3.2 and 3.3;
- 3.5 Take note of the current donors/supporters as following: USAID, Australian Government, GIZ (Indirect), ADB (Indirect), CTC (Indirect), WWF (Indirect), CI (Indirect), WCS (Indirect) and TNC (Indirect);
- 3.6 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to engage and organize formal meeting where possible, with potential donors/supporters as following: GEF (Indirect-through one of the 18 GEF agencies), GCF, China, Republic of Korea, Japan (Nippon Foundation, JICA), Norway, Sweden,

Monaco (Prince Albert Foundation), EU, New Zealand, India, ASEAN Center for Biodiversity (ACB), Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and ASEAN Foundation;

- 3.7 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to explore holding the CTI Leaders' Summit during APEC Summit 2020 in Malaysia to enhance political commitment among CT6 Member Parties, as agreed in SOM-14;
- 3.8 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to encourage the CT6 Member Parties to work with their respective APEC focal points to promote and to include the 2nd CTI CFF Leaders' Summit as part of program of APEC Summit 2020 in Malaysia;
- 3.9 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to formally communicate to APEC Secretariat on item 3.7 above upon receiving official confirmation from CT6 CSO; and
- 3.10 Task CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to liaise with the consultant of RPOA 2.0 to harmonize the existing draft financial architecture and finalize it in accordance with the resource mobilization strategy that would be developed to support the RPOA 2.0 implementation.

SESSION 4: FINANCIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND FINANCIAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

- 4.1 Acknowledge and appreciate the work done by the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat in developing the CTI-CFF Financial Policies and Procedures Manual (FPPM) (Annex 3) in enhancing financial and internal work procedures in increasing transparency and accountability.
- 4.2 Recommend to IRC to deliberate the CTI-CFF FPPM for their subsequent endorsement; and
- 4.4 Urge the CT6 Member Parties to submit comments, if any, thirty (30) working days from the date of this meeting.

SESSION 5: STAFF RULES AND REGULATIONS AND STAFF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

- 5.1 Acknowledge the amendments to the Staff Regulations as endorsed by SOM-14 and approved by MM-7 (Annex 4);
- 5.2 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to distribute the final version to CT6 Member Parties within seven working days of this meeting;

- 5.3 Task the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to implement the staff regulations as per the date of approval of MM-7, 14th December 2018;
- 5.4 Acknowledge and appreciate the work done by the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat in developing the CTI-CFF Staff Policies and Procedures Manual (SPPM) (Annex 5) in enhancing human resource management and operations of the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat in transparent and accountable manner;
- 5.5 Recommend to the IRC to deliberate on the SPPM for their subsequent endorsement; and
- 5.6 Urge the CT6 Member Parties to submit comments if any, thirty (30) working days from the date of this meeting or as recommended by the IRC.

SESSION 6: UPDATE ON ANNUAL REPORT

- 6.1 Take note of the progress of the development of Annual Report 2018 based on Chair's Summary in SOM-14 Session 2.2. This Annual Report as decided in SOM-14 will include among others accomplishments and progress of RPOA goals and the audited financial statements;
- 6.2 Urge CT6 Member Parties to submit photos, documentation and reports of activities related undertaken in their country for the year 2018 to the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat by 15th March 2019. This will be incorporated as appropriate in the Annual Report to the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat;
- 6.3 Take note that the deadline for completing the Annual Report 2018 by 31st May 2019; and
- 6.4 Encourage the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat to publish the Annual Report 2018 in a reader-friendly manner which includes infographic both in print and online format. The online format could also explore to be interactive. The print format could have QR codes for further readings as well as online experience.

SESSION 7: OTHER MATTERS

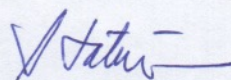
- 7.1 The meeting has no other matters to discuss.

SESSION 8: CLOSING SESSION

- 8.1 Appreciate the Closing Message of the Vice-Chair of FRWG, thanking the leadership of the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat Interim Executive Director and the team for the logistical and substantial preparation as well as in the actual handling of the meeting.

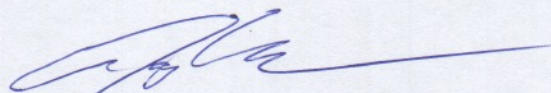
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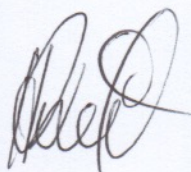
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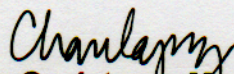


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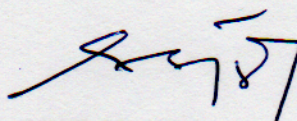
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