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**Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF)**

***Strategic Partners***

# SOM-16

- Strategic Partners > Position Papers...
- Progress updates on Papers...
- USAID Sustainable Fish Asia Project...



# Three Strategic Partner Papers...

**International policy engagement and alignment** with global initiatives (SDGs, UNCBD/30x30, and UNFCCC) will garner interest in and funding for CTI-CFF and a proposed Trust Fund;

**A well-governed and capitalised Trust Fund** will finance the achievement of CTI-CFF's MPAs, policy and human capacity development goals, and;

**Capacity to design and manage MPA infrastructure** is needed to safeguard the CT6 natural resources and enjoy sustainable financing, as well as deliver on policy goals (e.g. UNCBD/30x30).



# Special SOM (May 2021) – Chairs Summary:

- 5.1. Acknowledged the updates on the proposed CTI-CFF Regional Conservation Trust Fund and appreciated the efforts of the Regional Secretariat to explore sustainable financing mechanism via a Trust Fund.
- 5.2 Encouraged the Regional Secretariat to explore external funding to cover needed budget in the setting-up of Trust Fund, including funding of a Coordinator/RCTF Director.
- 7.2 Tasked the Regional Secretariat to compile all the inputs from the CT6 Member Countries by 30 June 2021 to be forwarded to the CTI-CFF Partners for consideration in refining the proposals of the Partners for submission at SOM-16; and
- 7.3 Tasked the Regional Secretariat to create a platform for dialogue between CTI-CFF and the Partners to identify immediate/short-term, medium-term and long-term activities in relation



# Paper 1: International Policy...

- CTI-CFF's **alignment to international policy frameworks can strengthen CT6** and donor support for CTI by demonstrating the relevance of its work to complementary agendas.
- CTI-CFF has **previously attended high profile international events**, including Rio+20 (2012), CBD COP (2014), UNFCCC Paris COP (2015), and SDG Oceans Summit 2017
- CTI-CFF has an **opportunity to increase its visibility**, and to demonstrate its relevance and potential contribution to international commitments including the SDGs, UNFCCC, UNCBD
- The CT6 have **limited resources and capacity to meet the many different commitments**, some with similar objectives to the CTI, overlapping geographies and funding streams.
- The **RPOA 2.0 represents an opportunity to leverage international obligations** of members by aligning CTI-CFF activities, including those where regional cooperation will be essential.
- Key events at which the CTI could benefit from **profile building and active engagement include events** such as CBD COP; UNFCCC COP; Our Ocean Conference; IUCN Congress





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# G20 INDONESIA 2022

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PALAU, 16-17 FEBRUARY 2022

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# Paper 2: Capacity Building...

- CTI-CFF will benefit from **regional coordination and a delivery mechanism** to reinforce and support national human capacity development.
- Alignment with CBD post-2020, SDG 14, IUCN Green-List will **support CT6 countries to achieve their global commitments**, national targets and ability to leverage funds.
- A consistent **priority** among the CT6 countries has been to **develop capacity to expand their MPAs and manage them effectively**.
- **Alignment with the 30x30** will provide opportunity for partnerships and resources to emerge for the effective management of coastal and marine resources.
- **M&E** showing improved capacity leads to effective management, food security and coastal community resilience **will be an integral part of the capacity development program**.
- **Knowledge management and best practices** are essential to scale up capacity and learning networks.



# Paper 2: CTI-CFF Capacity Building Stock-take

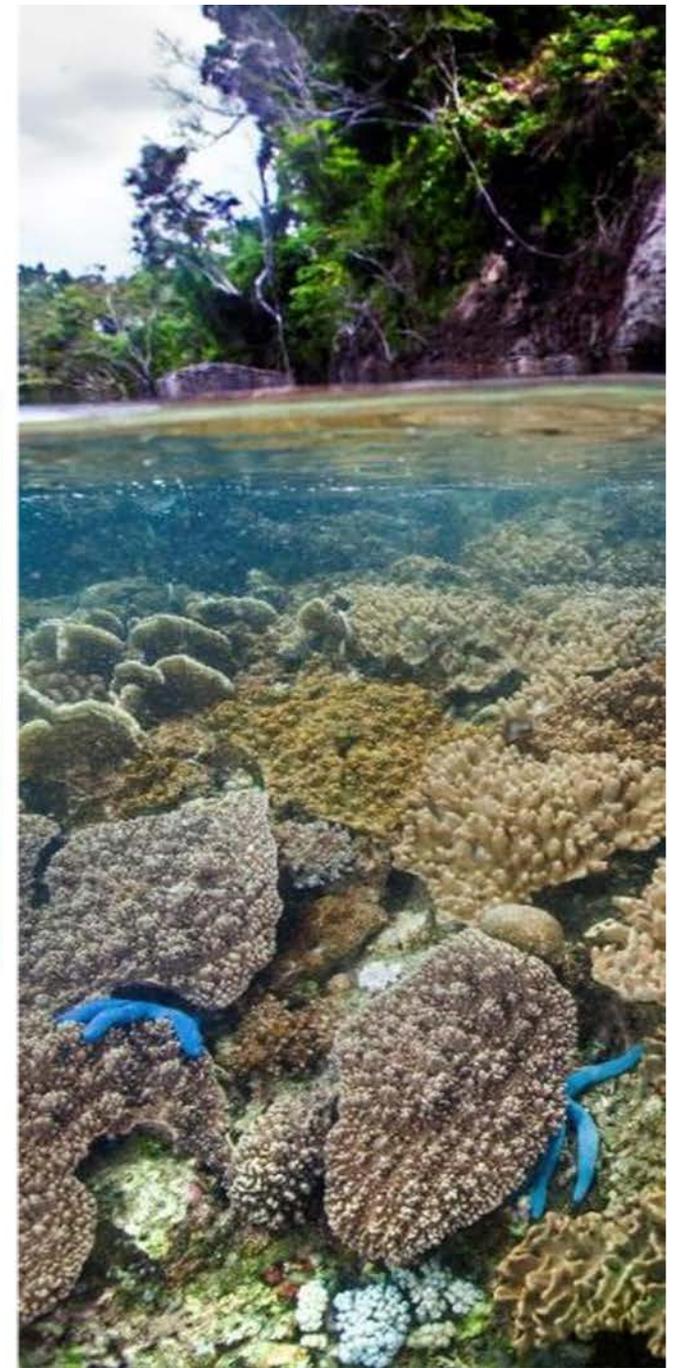
1. To produce an overview of the work being done by capacity providers throughout the CT to support marine managed areas [MMAs], including MPAs, LMMAs, OECMs and other marine and coastal priority conservation areas.
2. To produce an analytical report that can form the basis for the development of a 10-year road map to complement the RPoA in building the human capital required to meet 30x30 targets.



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# CTI-CFF Capacity Building Stock-take

## PROCESS

- A. 'Team' development.
- B. Desk-based research, design of stock-take and development of 'capacity pr
  - Government Agencies,
  - NGOs / local organizations
  - Universities
  - External Organizations
- C. Data gathering - 126 orgs/agencies contacted. Overall 62 % response rate.
  - Survey monkey & googlesheets questionnaires
  - Email communications
  - Zoom and WA interviews
- D. Data analysis, identifying gaps, needs and opportunities
- E. Final input and report production



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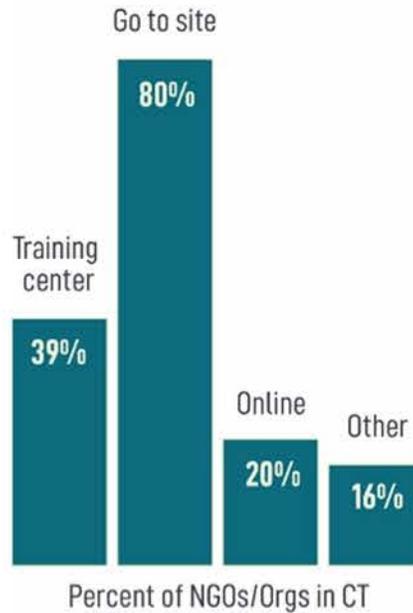
## RESULTS & ANALYSIS

Extensive information collected

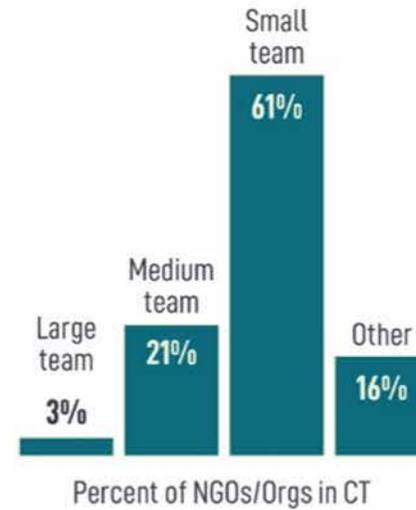
Full report in development, reveals

- Key **Training infrastructure** in CT & common **mechanisms for training delivery** across the region (i.e., go-to-site, in center etc.)
- **Scale of human resources available** (training teams) within CT, i.e., small teams (1-5), med (6-14), large (>15 trainers)
- **Types of training** commonly provided (formal/ certified, practical etc.)
- Assessment of **existing training materials in CT** (off-the-shelf available, tailored etc.)

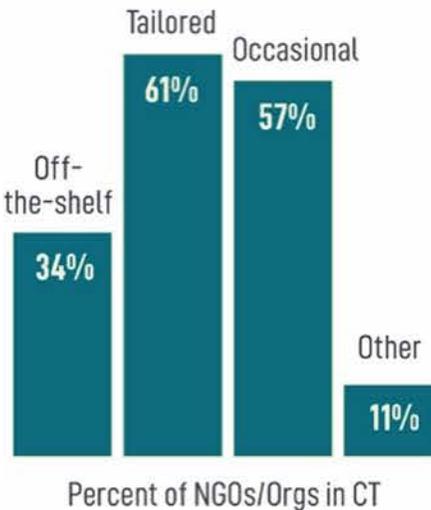
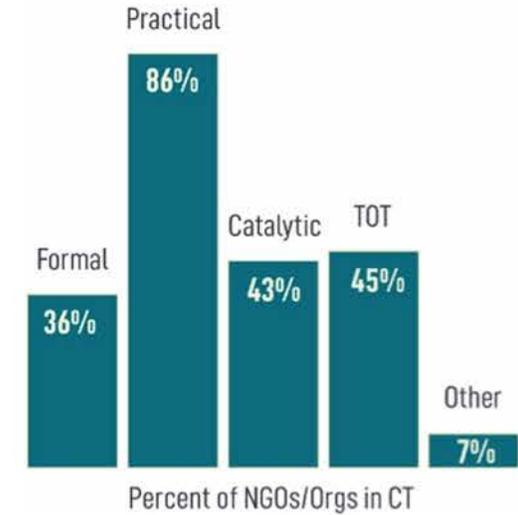
Training infrastructure



Size of training team

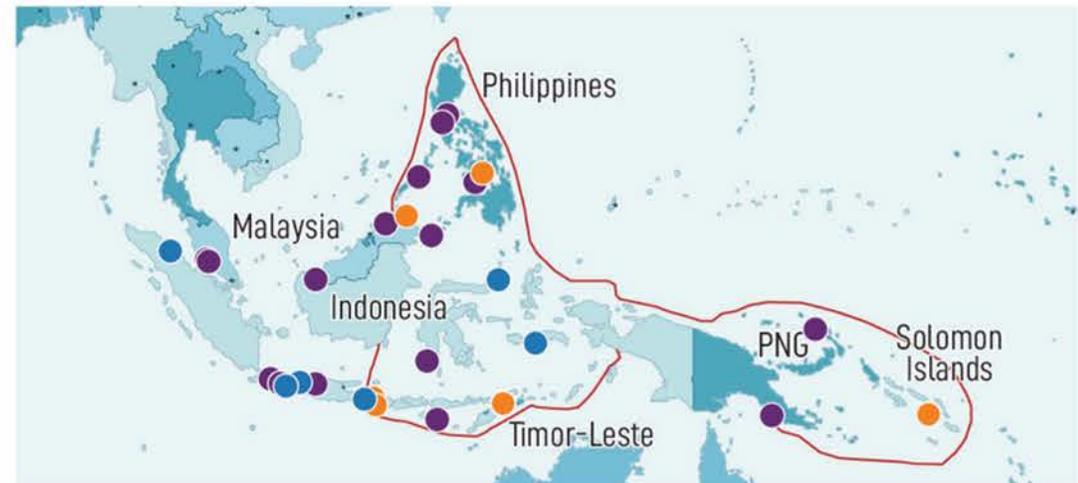


Types of capacity service



Training Center Facilities across the Coral Triangle

● NGO ● Government ● University

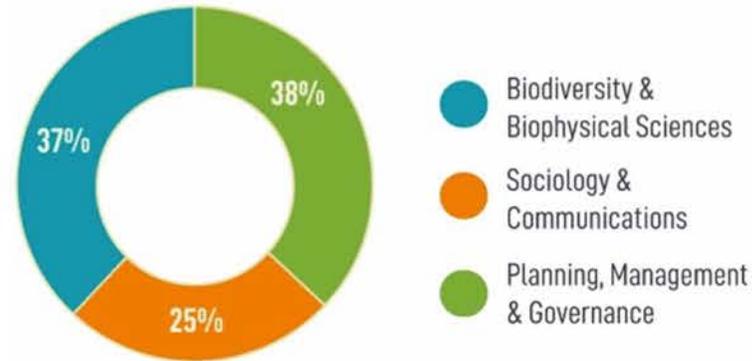


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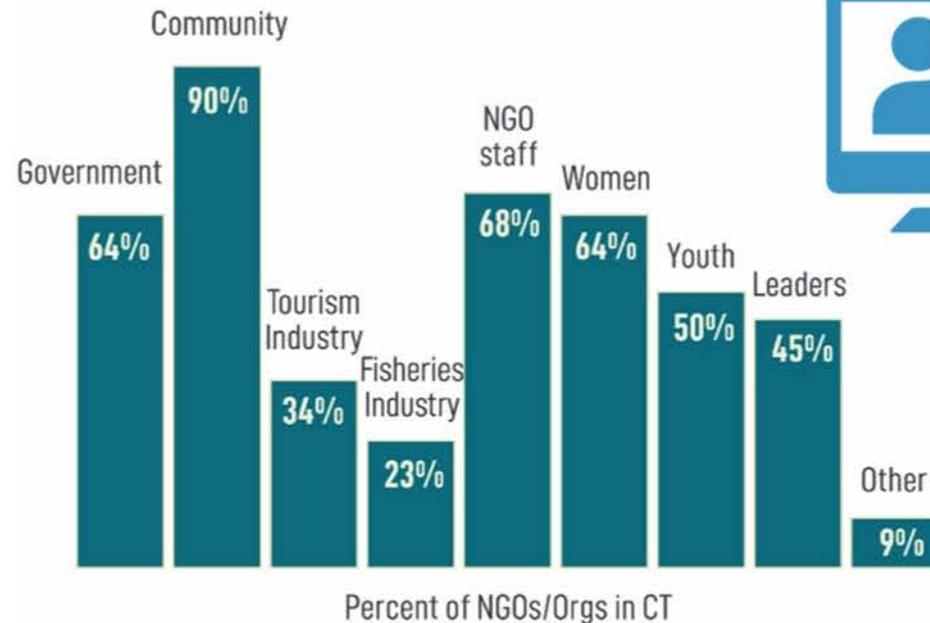
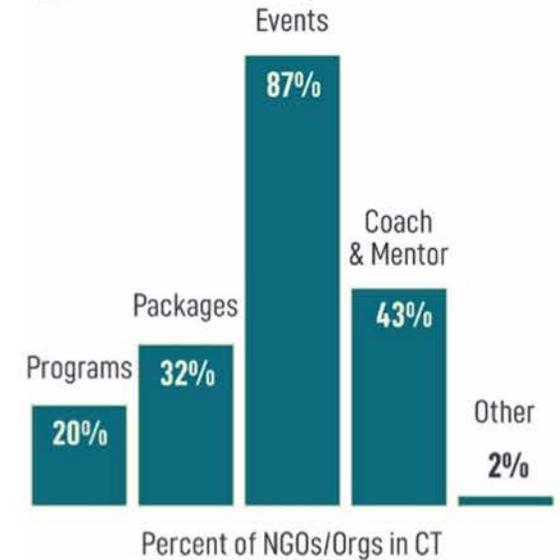
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- Key topics taught / skills areas supported (full breakdown available of common skills supported under biophysical science, socio & communications, planning and governance)
- Common target audiences for training across the CT
- Common mechanisms for training delivery, i.e., Events (1-5 days), Packages (5 days- 2 months), Programs (>2 months) etc.
- Availability of online training/ resources
- Identification of potential field learning sites and criteria for assessment.
- >25 multi-organizational capacity building initiatives currently active in the CT

Distribution of courses taught across key themes



Type of service delivery from NGOs



25 key online platforms.  
6 with tailored content for the CT

24 potential learning sites identified (MPAs, MMAs, LMMAs, OECMs).



# CTI-CFF Capacity Building Stock-take

## GAPS, NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES IDENTIFIED FOR SCALING UP CAPACITY BUILDING EFFORTS TO SUPPORT 30X30 TARGETS

**Training infrastructure, materials & systems** — emerging recommendations include

- Mechanisms identified for optimizing the use of training facilities
- Developing systems for post-training mentoring
- Establishing a network of 'CT Coaches' across all key geographies
- Improving coordination amongst capacity providers and the sharing of key resources and materials
- Improved TOT and training certifications

**Targeting** — emerging recommendations include (e.g.)

- Improved inclusion of wider stakeholders in training
- Improved representation of field-based personnel, LGUs etc.
- Improved expansion and inclusion of stakeholders operating under different governance frameworks and greater availability of resources tailored for these frameworks (MMAs, OECMs etc.)
- Prioritization of key geographies, but avoidance of 'clustering' through improved coordination between providers.



# CTI-CFF Capacity Building Stock-take

## GAPS, NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES IDENTIFIED FOR SCALING UP CAPACITY BUILDING EFFORTS TO SUPPORT 30X30 TARGETS

**Accessibility** — emerging recommendations include (e.g.)

- Cataloguing / e-library of all available resources and online learning platforms (low bandwidth for connectivity)
- More materials understandable to a general audience / communities and available in all core CT languages

**Recruitment, retention and TOT** — emerging recommendations include (e.g.)

- Improved recruitment of trainers with diverse language skills and cultural familiarities
- Improved inclusion of TOT, and investment in TOT, from external orgs visiting the region
- Establishment of CT apprenticeship programs to for improved recruitment and training opportunities

**Coordination & cooperation** — consensus amongst all categories of capacity providers for the **development of a CT RoadMap for capacity building**, anticipated to:

- Improve coordination, networking and cooperation between capacity providers (NGOs, universities, government agencies and external organizations) to progress together towards shared, common capacity building goals.
- Enable joint planning, development and delivery of capacity building against clear targets across the CT.



# Paper 3: Conservation Trust Fund...

- **CTI requires significant financial resources** if the ambitions of the CT6 are to be fully realized.
- **Aligning** with the SDGs, CBD and UNFCCC policy frameworks **will enhance the CTI-CFFs ability to leverage finance at scale.**
- The UNCBD ambition for 30% land and sea protected area coverage by 2030 (**“30x30”**) **presents a compelling and tangible ambition for a Regional Trust Fund**, noting that:
  - *MPAs and OECMs are ideal tools to safeguard Biodiversity; and,*
  - *Resilience to a changing climate and livelihood security can be enhanced through appropriately funded, participatory area-based planning and conservation.*
- The **core business of a Regional Trust Fund would be to mobilize resources from diverse sources** – and direct them to a diverse range of environmental programs and projects.
- **A Board of Trustees will need to be convened** including CTI-CFF leaders, government, NGOs, and private sector partners.



# Paper 3: Conservation Trust Fund...

## Timeline

The targeted timeframe from the design to the operation of the Regional Conservation Trust Fund (RCTF) will take 2 years.

Action	2021				2022			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Phase I:</b> Design of a RCTF for the Coral Triangle	→							
<b>Phase II:</b> Establishment and Launch of Regional CTF			→					
<b>Phase III:</b> Operationalize CTF (Some tasks can be conducted in parallel with other phases)						→		

# Terms of Reference for Technical Advisory Group

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- Draft the mission, objectives and governance structure of the RCTF to support the implementation of RPOA 2.0
- Research and clarify the relationships between the proposed regional CTF and national CTFs (existing or proposed)
- Study the various models of regional funds (Caribbean Biodiversity Fund, Micronesia Conservation Trust, MAR Fund etc)
- Conduct a legal and financial study to determine appropriate tax, investment, and governance issues for domiciliation in a country other than the CT6 of CTI-CFF
- Identify partners, donors and other revenue sources that can be considered for the design and implementation of the Fund
- Nominate representatives from each of the CT6 countries to be part of the Steering Committee

# CTI Regional Conservation Trust Fund Technical Committee Members

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# Paper 3: Conservation Trust Fund... Mission



**To support sustainable and effective management of a regional network of Marine Protected and Conserved Areas benefitting nature and communities in the Coral Triangle.**

# Paper 3: Conservation Trust Fund... Strategy

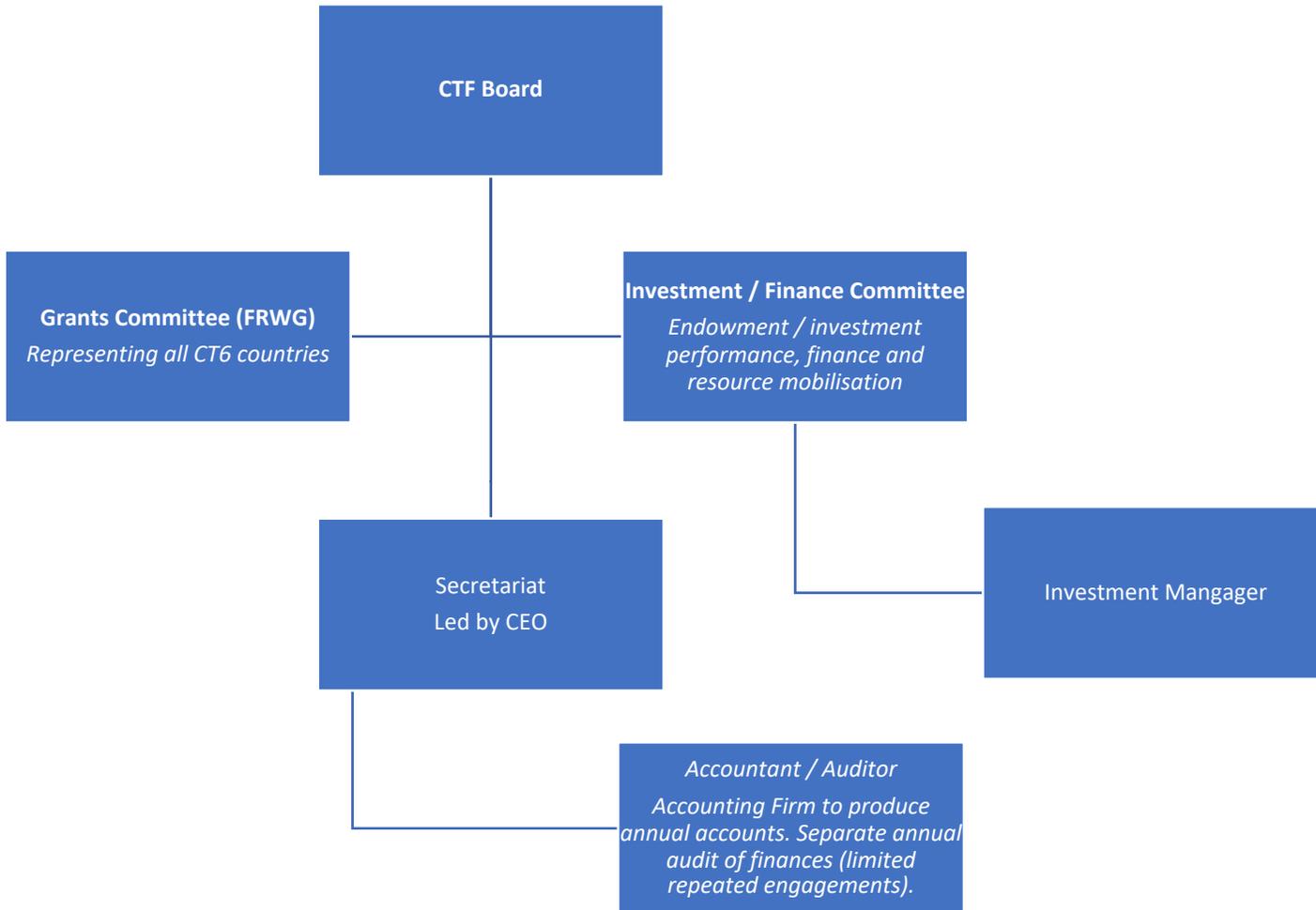
## STRATEGY

Protect, Recover, and Transform priority resilient reefs and their related ecosystems and communities

- Conservation
- Restoration
- Transformation towards sustainable livelihoods of the most vulnerable reef dependent communities in the face of changing climate and reef degradation.



# Paper 3: Proposed Governance Structure



## Board of Directors Composition

- Target is 7 Members (minimum of 5, maximum of 9)
- Current CTI-CFF ED is Board member (*ex-officio* – associated with role as ED of CTI-CFF) – proposed initial CTF Board Chairperson.
- Other potential founding members:
  - Donors – 1 or 2
  - International NGOs - 1 or 2 (Strategic Partners)
  - Civil Society Organizations (CSO) - 1 or 2 (Local NGOs)
  - Private Sector – 1 (eg Regional Chamber of Commerce)
- Board Observers - FRWG Chair (observer, *ex-officio*)

## Desired Director competencies

- Financial management and/or investment
- Marine Conservation / MPA management
- Conservation finance
- Fundraising
- Sociology / economics
- Limit of two (2) nationals from any single country
- Majority of Board must be non-government actors.

# Next Steps

## External Marketing

Fundraising for next phases of implementation

Identify and engage potential donors to capitalize the Fund – ie a donor roundtable

Develop brand identity and logo

Build website and marketing collateral

## Technical Design

Conduct legal and financial study  
Draft legal registration documents and by-laws; complete legal establishment

Develop strategic plan, resource mobilization strategy, and operational manuals

## Internal Capacity Building

Expand the Technical Committee to include Strategic Partners

Recruit a Trust Fund Coordinator

Develop selection criteria and recruit initial Board

Hire key staff

Secure appropriate technical training for Board and key staff

Begin making grants

# Proposed Key Decisions...



# Paper 1: International Policy...

## Proposed Key Decisions

1. **Endorse** the objective of increasing the efficiency and relevance of the CTI by engaging with complementary policy frameworks (such as CBD 30x30).
2. **Agree** that the partners should proceed with an analysis of policy opportunities / events and recommendations.
3. **Request** the MEWG work with the Partners to examine how relevant policy frameworks can be leveraged.
4. **Task** the RS to work with the Partners to identify events that can show the synergy between the RPOA 2.0 and the complementary policy frameworks.



# Paper 2: Capacity Building...

## Proposed Key Decisions

1. **Endorse** the objective to develop institutional capacity to protect 30% of the coastal and marine waters in the CT region effectively, by 2030 (30x30).
2. **Support** the development and implementation of a 10-year roadmap and partnerships to build human capital as a key tool to achieve 30x30.
3. **Acknowledge** the RS and partners CTC and WWF for establishing a team that conducted a regional capacity building assessment.
4. **Agree** to table for consideration the team recommendations for development of innovative and cost effective learning mechanisms for CTI-CFF that can be systemically scaled.



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3. **Agree** the Technical Advisory Group's recommendations for the Trust Fund Mission, Strategic Objectives, and Governance Structure.
4. **Task** the RS to work with Partners to design a resource mobilisation plan, a pipeline of bankable projects, and increase the visibility of the Trust Fund to potential donors



# USAID Sustainable Fish Asia (SuFiA) Project

**Sustainable Fish Asia** - aims to improve the management of marine biodiversity and fisheries resources in the Indo-Pacific region by reducing illegal, unregulated, and unreported fishing.

SuFiA project includes a suite of activities (i.e. SuFiA Local Capacity Development, direct grants, SuFiA Technical Services, and others)



# USAID/RDMA Direct Grant to CTI-CFF

As an upcoming activity under the SuFiA project, the direct grant will support CTI-CFF to strengthen the implementation of the RPOA 2.0, policies, and frameworks to combat IUU fishing, conserve biodiversity, and encourage the adoption of fair labor and sustainable fisheries practices by businesses.

- Estimated Budget: Public International Organization grant of USD 2,000,000
- Duration: 3 years (TBC)
- The grant will be developed through a *co-creation process*.
- Expected outcomes (TBC during co-creation): CTI-CFF, its NCCs, and other regional organizations and platforms are strengthened to promote sustainable fisheries policies, standards, and regulatory frameworks.

# USAID SuFiA Technical Services (SuFiA/TS)

SuFiA/TS is a new activity, part of the SuFiA portfolio of activities.

The main goal of SuFiA/TS is to support leading regional institutions, including CTI-CFF, to combat IUU fishing.

- Estimated Budget: USD 10,000,000
- Duration: 4 years (Dec 2021 - 2025)
- SuFiA/TS is **“demand driven”** per regional institutions’ priorities and benefit CTI-CFF as an organization, and all CT6 countries.



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## **SOM-16:**

Revised Proposed Key Decisions following the feedback received on 14 December, 2021.



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# Paper 2: Capacity Building...

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2. **Support** the development and implementation of a 10-year roadmap and partnerships to build human capital complementary to ongoing capacity building programs in the CT6.
3. **Task** the RS to establish a small team with partners to conduct a regional capacity building assessment.
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