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**20th Executive Committee Meeting**

**Agenda Item: 1.1**

**20th Executive Committee Meeting Provisional Agenda**

**November 22, 2017 (Wednesday)**

**14:00 – 14:10 1.0 Opening of the Meeting**

* 1. **Review of the Agenda**
  2. **Introduction of the Incoming Executive Director to EC Members**

The Council Chair will open the Meeting and request the Secretariat to present the agenda.

The Incoming Executive Director, Ms. Aimee Gonzales, will be introduced to all the Executive Committee members.

**14:10 – 14:20 2.0 Recommendations and Decisions from the 9th EAS**

**Partnership Council Meeting and Actions Taken**

The Secretariat will provide a short summary report on the status of actions taken with regard to the key recommendations and decisions from the 9th EAS Partnership Council Meeting. Some of which will be further discussed at the 20th EC Meeting. The EC will take note of the actions taken and provide further guidance on pending items.

**14:20 – 14:45 3.0 Progress Report on Status of East Asian Seas (EAS)**

**Congress 2018 and 6th Ministerial Forum**

The Secretariat will provide an update report regarding the hosting and organization of the East Asian Seas (EAS) Congress 2018 and the 6th Ministerial Forum in coordination with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) of the Philippines.

Based on the first EAS Congress 2018 Information Package, the Secretariat will present the proposed focus, objectives and targets for the EAS Congress 2018. The EC members will be requested to provide further inputs and guidance on the development of the EAS Congress program as well as in the overall organization of the EAS Congress and the Ministerial Forum 2018.

**14:45 – 15:30 4.0 Progress on Development of a Sustainable Ocean Investment**

**Facility Supporting SDS-SEA Implementation**

Following the adoption by the 9th EAS Partnership Council of PRF’s proposal to establish an innovative financing mechanism to support and accelerate SDS-SEA implementation (Ocean Investment Facility and Funds or OIFF), the Secretariat will apprise the 20th EC Meeting of the progress made in developing the OIFF.

The EC will be requested to consider the approach, work plan, schedule and budget allocations identified in the design, development and implementation of the OIFF, as well as to provide further advice on achieving a sustainable financing mechanism for SDS-SEA implementation.

**15:30 – 15:45 5.0 Proposed Schedule for Incoming ED and Council Chair’s**

**Country-by-Country Discussions on Voluntary Contributions in Support of PEMSEA’s Sustainability**

In accordance with the decision of the 9th EAS Partnership Council Meeting, a proposed schedule and agenda for the conduct of country-by-country high level discussions on strengthening country ownership of PEMSEA and voluntary contributions in support of PEMSEA’s sustainability, will be discussed.

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