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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Project Steering Committee Meeting of the GEF/UNDP/PEMSEA Project on Scaling up SDS-SEA Implementation was held at the Be Grand Resort, Panglao Island, Bohol, Philippines on 12 July 2016. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) of the Philippines hosted the Meeting. The Meeting was attended by representatives from eight project participating countries, namely: Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Philippines, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Vietnam. Three PEMSEA partner countries were present as observers and/or as contributing countries to PEMSEA: Japan, RO Korea, and Singapore. Representatives from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Manila and the UNDP Regional Hub Bangkok were present on behalf of the Global Environment Facility and UNDP. The PEMSEA Resource Facility (PRF) served as the Secretariat for the Meeting.

The PSC Meeting focused on the status of the project implementation, challenges, opportunities, the regional and country work plans and budget for 2016-2017, and actions to be taken to address the gaps.

The PSC made the following major decisions:

- The PRF and UNDP coordinate with Thailand and issue a letter addressed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as needed, to fast track the signing of the Project Document and the startup of the project.
- The PRF coordinate closely with the countries to help address challenges identified and ensure timely delivery of outputs.
- The PRF and participating countries continue to promote, expand and capacitate its knowledge networks and mechanisms to help address the capacity development needs in various project sites and countries, as well as to expand PEMSEA's reach in providing technical support and guidance.
- The project work plan and budget for 2016 and 2017 was adopted as presented.

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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GEF/UNDP/PEMSEA PROJECT ON SCALING UP SDS-SEA IMPLEMENTATION

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## INTRODUCTION

- i. The Project Steering Committee Meeting of the GEF/UNDP/PEMSEA Project on Scaling up Implementation of the SDS-SEA was held at the Be Grand Resort, Bohol, Philippines on 12 July 2016. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) of the Philippines co-hosted the Meeting.
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- iii. Representatives from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Manila and the UNDP Regional Hub Bangkok were present on behalf of the Global Environment Facility and UNDP. The PEMSEA Resource Facility (PRF) served as the Secretariat for the Meeting.
- iv. The full list of participants is found in Annex 1. The Meeting agenda is found in Annex 2.

## 1.0 OPENING OF THE MEETING

- i. Mr. Titon Mitra, UNDP Philippines, served as Chair of the Meeting. Prof. Chul Hwan Koh (EAS Partnership Council Technical Session Chair) and Mr. Makoto Harunari (EAS Partnership Council Technical Session Co-Chair) served as Co-Chairs.
- ii. Prof. Chul Hwan Koh opened the meeting and welcomed the participants. He then introduced Mr. Mitra.
- iii. On behalf of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Titon Mitra, Country Director, UNDP Philippines, welcomed all the delegates to the meeting. Mr. Mitra underscored the amount of work that has been accomplished particularly the conduct of baseline data gathering as well as socio-economic and risk and vulnerability assessments in the participating countries. Mr. Mitra further highlighted the increase in ICM sites, as well as the growing network and knowledge sharing networks of PEMSEA (i.e., ICM Learning Centers) which contribute significantly in expanding PEMSEA's technical and knowledge support network in the countries and thus reducing some of the workload from the PRF. He, however, reminded the meeting that the project is already in its second year, and as such it

is critical to accelerate the work within the remaining time and achieve tangible results on the ground.

- iv. Some of the remaining challenges include the pending approval of the project by Thailand, which has financial and work implications on the overall delivery of the project. Mr. Mitra further reminded the meeting that the project will undergo its mid-term evaluation in 2017.
- v. Overall, Mr. Mitra sees the strong correlation between PEMSEA's work and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). He emphasized the opportunities that this provide and how the work being undertaken by PEMSEA can contribute or help achieve the SDGs as a universal agenda. As each country is expected to report on the SDG goals, the accomplishments to be made through PEMSEA and the project will serve as significant country and regional inputs to the SDGs.
- vi. In closing, Mr. Mitra expressed his appreciation to DENR Philippines and the PEMSEA Resource Facility for organizing the meeting.

## **2.0 PROJECT PROGRESS**

### ***ANNUAL REGIONAL PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT***

Discussion Highlights:

- 2.1 PEMSEA's Executive Director provided a summary report of the project's progress (attached separately) focusing on the three components as well as the challenges and opportunities, financial delivery and risks associated with project implementation.
- 2.2 Under Component 1 on Partnerships in Coastal and Ocean Governance, the following major accomplishments were highlighted:
  - Headquarters Agreement ratified by the Senate of the Government of the Philippines;
  - A number of partnership arrangements have been signed with Country and Non-Country Partners;
  - Developments in national coastal and ocean policies (i.e., inputs in Philippine ICM Bill; Target 3 of Danang Compact on national coastal and ocean policies, institutional arrangements and supporting legislation; Guidelines on Implementation of ICM in accordance with Vietnam's Law of Marine Resources and Environment of Sea);
  - The regional State of the Oceans and Coast Report with a blue economy theme has been promoted and received widespread support from countries and 13 regional programs and projects;
  - PEMSEA services have been developed and launched as a mechanism for sustaining the operation of PEMSEA and applied to four projects;
  - Pipeline projects with various entities (i.e., China-ASEAN Maritime Cooperation Fund on Blue Economy development; ATSEA 2 PIF on IRBM; Concept Paper on "Ocean Investment Facility"; Regional SOC reporting to

SIDA; Strengthening MPA management effectiveness to GTZ and CBD LifeWeb).

2.3 Under Component 2 on Healthy, Resilient Marine and Coastal Ecosystems, the following key accomplishments were highlighted:

- ICM priority sites have been identified and confirmed in 7 participating countries and baseline assessments, socio-economic surveys and risk and vulnerability assessments have been planned and initiated in collaboration with national and local governments, NGOs, community organizations, universities and other donor-supported projects working in the project sites.
- On improved management of fisheries some notable developments include: the case of Liangyungang, China on the ongoing study to assess fishery resources and ecological environment associated with deployment of first batch of 5,560 artificial reefs in a control environment of 10km<sup>2</sup>; The case of Quang Nam, Vietnam on replication of best management practices from Wetlands Alliance Program in fisheries co-management in Tam Hai Commune; The case of Houay Champi, Houa Sedone in Lao PDR where village fund is beefed up to fund additional sources of income/livelihood for villagers.
- On pollution reduction from land-based activities some notable developments include: The improved water access among villages in Sedone Riverbasin in Lao PDR; and the conduct of Total Allowable Pollutant Load in Laguna Lake, Pasig River, Manila Bay watershed in the Philippines.
- On increased preparedness to hazards, some of the notable accomplishments include: the assessment of climate change impacts in the coastal areas of Dongying, China; and the Port Safety, Health and Environmental trainings/audits in Cagayan, Batangas, Socsargen in the Philippines, Phnom Penh and Sihanoukville in Cambodia, and Laem Chabang in Thailand.
- On innovation in economic and financial instruments, some of the notable accomplishments include: the Knowledge Management platform which includes an investment readiness assessment; the value chain analysis/business plan development for some projects/sites in Indonesia, Philippines and Vietnam; and the integration of natural capital valuation for coral reef management in Sanya, China.

2.4 Under Component 3 on Knowledge Platform for Building a Sustainable Ocean-Based Blue Economy, the following key accomplishments were highlighted:

- Agreements signed with five new ICM Learning Center;
- Launch of the PEMSEA Network of Learning Centers with 15 founding universities in six countries;
- Launch of webinar series on valuation of marine and coastal ecosystem services for marine spatial planning; and
- Participation in various international and regional forums on coastal and ocean development including: the IWC8 Conference in Sri Lanka; ASEAN Biodiversity Conference focusing on application of ICM in support of Aichi Biodiversity Targets; CPLC Forum focusing in blue economy development in Small Island Developing States.

- 2.5 At the regional level, the project has the following challenges: development of trainers and learning centers as a regional support network; and engaging with the YSLME project, which is experiencing a delay in start-up.
- 2.6 At the national and local level, the project is facing the following challenges: delays in the establishment of national institutional arrangements for multi-sectoral coordination; delays in getting project funds to the project sites/project implementers due to government regulations and administrative requirements.
- 2.7 Several opportunities were also highlighted, including: the increasing number of universities as ICM Learning Centers; the launching and utilization of the SEAKnowledge Bank; developments of national and local government policy, institutional arrangements and legislation contributing to ICM and SDS-SEA implementation; and the development and approval of ICM site work plans and budgets.
- 2.8 On the project's financial delivery, as of 30 June 2016, out of the total GEF funding of 10,643,992USD, the project has expended 25.71% of the budget or 2,736,732USD, broken down as follows:
- Component 1  
Total Budget: 2,876,907USD  
Expenditure: 1,280,630USD  
Financial Delivery:45%
  - Component 2  
Total Budget: 5,607,870USD  
Expenditure: 1,091,267USD  
Financial Delivery:19%
  - Component 3  
Total Budget: 1,628,278USD  
Expenditure: 175,086USD  
Financial Delivery:11%
  - Project Management  
Total Budget: 530,937USD  
Expenditure: 189,748USD  
Financial Delivery:36%
- 2.9 A major risk identified is the delay in securing the endorsement of the GEF/UNDP Project Document in Thailand which may cause delay in project implementation, and affect achievement of project objectives and use of allocated funds. In order to address this, the project implementation will proceed while PRF continues to work closely with Thailand in securing the final signature. Thailand is also currently proceeding with project initiatives using their own funding.
- 2.10 UNDP sees significant potential for PEMSEA to play in assisting governments in packaging projects. In particular, UNDP urged PEMSEA countries to develop



projects with assistance from the PRF to access the Green Climate Fund (GCF) as source of funds for ICM-related projects/initiatives.

### ***ANNUAL COUNTRY PROJECT PROGRESS REPORTS***

- 2.11 The eight participating countries delivered their respective country reports. The individual country reports are found in Annex 3

#### **Cambodia**

- 2.12 The representative of Cambodia, Mr. Long Rithirak, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Environment, presented Cambodia project progress report.
- 2.13 Challenges in scaling up SDS-SEA in Cambodia are mostly related to limited technical capacity of local staff, reliance on Ministry of Environment in coordinating different projects and programs, weak scientific and economic researches and lack of assessment of socio-economic and ecological impacts of projects.
- 2.14 Economic valuation of ecosystem services which is an important approach to determining the trade-off between development and conservation was suggested to be an approach to be applied in demonstration of ICM. Likewise, capacity development in this area needs to be prioritized.

#### **China**

- 2.15 The representative of China, Dr. Wang Shouqiang, Assistant Researcher, The First Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic Administration, presented China's project progress report.
- 2.16 China has created an innovative center to help coordinate the scaling up of SDS-SEA in 20 priority and replication sites. The results in implementation of the UNDP/GEF Project as a result of the CPC are a good indication of the value of this collaborative initiative between China and PEMSEA.
- 2.17 Using ICM certification preparation as a process to institute ICM system at local level looks like a good approach for replication, followed by on-the-ground implementation of programs addressing various challenges to sustainable coastal development.
- 2.18 Effective mobilization of technical assistance in ICM program implementation is a challenge but well addressed by CPC. Currently the two ICM Learning Centers in China are fully engaged in assessment, studies and training. The meeting identified that socioeconomic assessment in line with SDG indicators proves useful in reporting progress across sites and programs at different levels.

## **Indonesia**

- 2.19 The representative of Indonesia, Mr. Heru Waluyo, Director, Marine and Coastal Pollution and Degradation Control, Ministry of Environment and Forestry presented Indonesia's progress report.
- 2.20 The Meeting noted that financial delivery and the mechanism of getting the funds to the local governments is the main challenge in Indonesia. There are barriers to having direct arrangements at the local level, as encountered by PEMSEA in providing the funding. The PRF is already coordinating with Indonesia to identify ways to transfer funds.
- 2.21 Since Indonesia is a vast country with a huge coastline, setting-up of learning centers and network of learning centers is very helpful. It is important to get the network up and running and to capacitate the ICM Learning Centers to enable them to provide the necessary support for ICM implementation in various local governments in Indonesia.
- 2.22 Dr. Jose Padilla, Regional Technical Advisor, UNDP Regional Knowledge Hub informed the meeting that the ATSEA project document identified ICM sites in several provinces of Indonesia and there are a number of opportunities for PEMSEA and ATSEA to work together. Furthermore, since the ATSEA project will be implemented by MOMAF, and PEMSEA is coordinated by MOEF, this opportunity will also help enhance PEMSEA's coordination between the two ministries.

## **Lao PDR**

- 2.23 The representative of Lao PDR, Mr. Rattykone Sayasane, Center of Water Resources Data and Information, Department of Water Resources, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, presented Lao PDR's progress report.
- 2.24 The meeting noted that the challenge is the scale of implementation in Lao PDR. Given the number of plans at the national and provincial level, the challenge is on how to transfer them to the village level. There is also a need to educate the communities.
- 2.25 In relation to the integrated river basin management initiatives in Lao, UNDP suggested that it may be useful to conduct studies on the impact of transport of sediment and pollution in Lao's river basins to the coasts. Moreover, on replication of good practices, the work in Sedone River Basin may provide a good demonstration or example to other river basins.

## **Philippines**

- 2.26 The representative of the Philippines, Mr. Edwin Domingo, Director, Foreign Assisted and Special Projects Service, Department of Environment and Natural Resources delivered the Philippines' progress report.
- 2.27 The recent change in administration may pose as a challenge to coastal and ocean governance in the Philippines as priorities of the new administration may

- change. Queuing the coastal and marine programs in the long list of priorities of the new administration is seen as necessary.
- 2.28 The effort of DENR in promoting convergence of various programs and projects on coastal and marine management is considered as important and critical, not only for the Philippines, but also for other countries. This facilitates consolidation of the contribution of various programs and projects to overall coastal and marine management and reduces duplication.
  - 2.29 Given the numerous coastal and marine programs implemented in the Philippines in the past decade, consolidating the knowledge and experiences and translating these into a language and format that is understandable and accessible at the local level is considered critical. The open data system spearheaded by the Department of Budget and Management and the Geoportal program of NAMRIA are good starting points. The anticipated issuance of an Executive Order on Freedom of Information is seen to accelerate the process.

### **Vietnam**

- 2.30 The representative of Vietnam, Dr. Vu Thanh Ca, Director, Department of International Cooperation and Science-Technology, Vietnam Administration of Seas and Islands presented Vietnam's progress report.
- 2.31 The meeting thanked Vietnam for endorsing PEMSEA at a national event and recognizing its significant contribution to ICM implementation in Vietnam.
- 2.32 The meeting likewise thanked Vietnam for successfully hosting the 2015 East Asian Seas Congress, which served as an effective platform to promote the region's advocacy for ICM implementation.
- 2.33 ICM implementation in the 28 coastal provinces as required by the National ICM Strategy and National Action Plan is challenging. Vietnam will convene a National ICM Forum with the participation of national agencies and key players in coastal and marine management, including the technical staff of VASI and MONRE to provide a venue for knowledge sharing and exchange and capacity building. The forum will take advantage of Danang's 15 years of experience in ICM implementation and guide other local governments that are just starting to develop their ICM programs.
- 2.34 An incremental approach will be utilized in engaging all 28 coastal provinces to develop and implement their ICM programs until 2030. Under the SDS-SEA Project, the 6 priority sites will be addressing specific issues and concerns and will provide the necessary example for the remaining 8 provinces to be covered by the Project. Not all issues will be addressed given the short timeframe of the project. The experience that will be generated will provide guidance for Vietnam to realize its target to cover all 28 provinces with ICM programs by 2030.

### **Timor Leste**

- 2.35 The representative of Timor Leste, Mr. Mario Cabral, Project Coordinator for the SDS-SEA Scaling up in Timor Leste, presented Timor Leste's progress report.

- 2.36 ICM programme has resulted to significant impacts in Timor Leste through sharing of experiences, knowledge and skills by ICM participants from various trainings and workshops, and transferring of knowledge to local governments.
- 2.37 Some challenges identified include lack of capacity within the government. The Fisheries Directorate has limited power over the implementation of ICM programme, thus there is a need to increase capacity of local ICM staff and influence local leaders to scale up ICM in other areas.
- 2.38 The Government of Timor Leste recognized the various opportunities brought about by ICM, including investment opportunities in sustainable use of marine and fisheries resources, increased coordination through Coastal Strategy and its CSIP development, and introduction of blue economy concept to local knowledge base. In general, the continued implementation of ICM in Timor Leste has increased the value and ownership to sustainably manage local coastal and ocean resources.

## **Thailand**

- 2.39 The representative of Thailand, Mr. Somchai Monanunsap, Director of Marine and Coastal Resources Protected Areas Management Division, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources, presented Thailand's progress report.
- 2.40 Thailand enacted the National Act on Marine and Coastal Resources Management Promotion (BE 2558/2015) in 2015 and engaged in developing the national SOC report. Thailand scaled up the successes of Chonburi to other three ICM learning sites. Participation in Gulf of Thailand activities is continuing through the annual meeting of GOT, as well as involvement in the KOEM-ASEAN Training on Oil Spill Preparedness. Under PSHEMS, Laem Chabang Port has finished Stage 1 Audit of PSHEMS and Bangkok Port is also scheduled to follow.
- 2.41 The Burapha and Prince of Songkla Universities serve as ICM Learning Centers supporting the ICM implementation in Thailand. In accordance with the National Act, all ICM sites in Thailand will develop local SOC reports. SOC training has also been conducted with assistance from the Learning Centers. Environmental monitoring for heavy metal pollution will also be conducted with support from Burapha University in Rayong and Chonburi.
- 2.42 The National Act on Coastal Resources Management Promotion has created significant impacts on the implementation ICM and SDS-SEA in Thailand. However, stringent review and approval process caused significant delays in the signing of the Project Document. Local and national capacity for ICM implementation was also identified as a challenge.
- 2.43 At the technical level, it was noted that Thailand is already lining up the provinces to start the project. Through the efforts being made by the focal agency, it is expected that Thailand will sign the Project Document by August 2016.

- 2.44 To facilitate and fast track the approval process, UNDP offered to issue a joint letter with PEMSEA addressed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand to provide information and underscore the value of the project.

### ***HACT Transactional Audit***

- 2.45 The representative from UNDP Philippines, Mr. Michael Jaldon, Energy and Environment, informed the Meeting of the result of the audit conducted on the project by the Commission on Audit of the Philippines from February to April 2016. The Harmonized Approach to Cash Transfers (HACT) Transactional Audit was undertaken as part of UNDP requirements.
- 2.46 The HACT is a common operational framework for transferring cash to government and non-government implementing partner. HACT changed the management of cash transfers from a system of rigid controls to a risk management approach aimed at reducing transaction costs, simplifying and harmonizing rules and procedures, while strengthening the capacity of implementing partners to effectively manage resources. One of the components of HACT is the Assurance activities- programme monitoring, spot checks and audits, to get evidence that funds are being used for the intended purpose and in accordance with established procedures. Assurance activities are proportionate to the partner risk rating and the volume of cash transferred.
- 2.47 The coverage/objectives of the HACT audit include:
- Assessment of project progress, internal control, human resources, finance, procurement, asset management, cash management and general administration;
  - Review/validate updated action plans of the Implementing Partner for prior year's audit recommendations;
  - Express an opinion on UNDP Statement of Expenses, Statement of Cash Position and Statement of Assets and Equipment; and
  - Indicate the risks associated with the findings and provide a categorization by risk
- 2.48 On the Statements of expenses, assets and equipment and cash position, the audit indicated that all statements were unmodified.
- 2.49 The audit also noted ten (10) audit observations but all observations were categorized as low risk and have been addressed by the PRF.
- 2.50 Based on the result, UNDP commended the PRF on having done a satisfactory job in implementing the project as well as on the vote of confidence of the countries on PEMSEA.

### **3.0 REGIONAL PROJECT WORK PLAN AND BUDGET 2016-2017**

#### Discussion Highlights:

- 3.1 The PEMSEA Executive Director presented the project work plan and budget for 2016 and 2017 (attached separately).
- 3.2 Under Component 1, the following milestone activities were highlighted for 2016 and 2017:
- Signing of Agreements with WPEA and CTI-CFF and YSLME;
  - Development and adoption of the regional and national SDS-SEA Implementation Plan for 2017-2021;
  - Development of draft regional and national State of the Coast Reports and conduct of national SOC workshops and regional conference;
  - Setting up of (ad hoc) national steering committees to help develop concept/policy paper on institutional arrangements;
  - Conduct of Regional Workshop on ocean policy/legislation and national legislative review and workshops;
  - Demonstration and assessment of PEMSEA services and PEMSEA's sustainability;
  - Collaborative planning and implementation with PEMSEA Non-Country Partners
- 3.3 Under Component 2, the following milestone activities were highlighted for 2016 and 2017, including:
- Completion of site scoping, baseline, vulnerability, and socio-economic management effectiveness, and development, adoption and initiation of management plans in ICM sites
  - Completion of SOC baseline reports
  - Conduct of regional trainings on ecosystem valuation, marine spatial planning, ICM, CCA/DRRM and zoning
  - Conduct of annual Gulf of Thailand country meeting and drafting/review of draft GOT Oil Spill Contingency Plan
  - Accreditation of two training institutions for Port Safety, Health and Environmental Management System (PSHEMS)
  - Training/certification in six ports and impact evaluations in two ports
- 3.4 Under Component 3, the following milestone activities were highlighted:
- Conduct/completion of value chain analysis and business plans with eight local governments/project owners
  - Development of marketing strategy and concept papers on Blue Economy fund or Ocean Investment Fund
  - Identification of investment ready projects and confirmation of investment projects
  - Conduct of orientation workshops on SEAKnowledge Bank, and initiation of ICM and investment services
  - Designing and construction of SEAKB with IW Learn collaboration and input
  - Two regional workshops conducted with IW Learn
  - Water quality monitoring program prepared at 3 sites, regional environmental monitoring training program conducted

- Certification of ICM professionals
- Development and translation of CCA/DRR modules
- Drafting of suregional SOC report

3.5 The meeting noted that a total of 2,253,213USD has been budgeted for 2016, while the budget for 2017 is amounting to 3,032,178USD.

3.6 UNDP encouraged the PRF to prepare a multi-year budget for allocations for the life of the project, and ensure that the project will be completed within the 5 year timeframe.

3.7 Prof. Koh commended the participating countries for the achievements and progress made in the past two years of project implementation. He noted the platform that the PSC meeting provides for countries and PEMSEA in general, in taking stock of progress made as well as in identifying challenges, opportunities, and areas for collaboration.

#### **4.0 DECISIONS OF THE MEETING**

The PSC decided that:

4.1 The PRF and UNDP coordinate with Thailand and issue a letter addressed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as needed, to fast track the approval or signing of the Project Document.

4.2 The PRF coordinate closely with the countries to help address challenges identified and ensure timely delivery of outputs.

4.3 The PRF and participating countries continue to promote, expand and capacitate its knowledge networks and mechanisms to help address the capacity development needs in various project sites and countries, as well as to expand PEMSEA's reach in providing technical support and guidance.

4.4 The work plan and budget for 2016 and 2017 be adopted as presented (Annex 4).

#### **5.0 CLOSING OF THE MEETING**

5.1 The Chair commended all the participating countries and the PRF for the achievements made and noted the significant vertical and horizontal integration of country buy-in and partnerships on SDS-SEA implementation at the national level. He indicated that overall the trend and actions taken both at the national and regional level are positive. He underlined the importance of the Knowledge Management platform as well as good partnership with IW:Learn for sharing of information and good practices. It is also important that good systems for measuring impacts are put in place. Mr. Mitra further emphasized the identification and move to real investments as a critical challenge and should be one of the focus in upcoming PSC meetings. In particular, the Chair indicated the need to build the business case on the sustainability of PEMSEA as an institution. The Chair emphasized that the success of the project does not depend on the PRF, GEF or UNDP alone, but a consolidation of efforts made by all participating

countries and partners, creating integrated, coordinated and coherent outputs. The Chair expressed his appreciation to all the meeting participants as well as to

- 5.2 The PEMSEA Executive Director expressed his appreciation to UNDP and all the meeting participants.
- 5.3 The meeting was adjourned on 12 July 2016 at 2:30PM.

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**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS**

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**ANNEX 2**  
**MEETING AGENDA**

**Project Steering Committee Meeting of the  
GEF/UNDP Project on Scaling up the Implementation of the SDS-SEA (2014-2019)**

**AGENDA**

**0900 – 0910 1.0 Opening of the Project Steering Committee Meeting**

The Technical Session Chair will open the meeting and call on the UNDP representative to deliver opening remarks as the Principal Project Resident Representative (PPRR).

**0910 – 1200 2.0 Project Progress**

The Project Manager for the project will introduce the Project Progress Report vis-à-vis the attainment of project outputs and outcomes, as well as the challenges and constraints of the project.

Representatives from each participating country will be invited to report on the specific progress in project implementation, as well as constraints/gaps encountered during project implementation.

The UNDP representative will report on the results of the 2015 HACT transactional audit.

**1030 – 1045 Coffee Break**

**1045 – 1200 Continuation of Agenda 2.0**

**1200 -1300 Lunch Break**

**1300 – 1430 3.0 Project Work Plan and Budget 2016-2017**

The Secretariat will present the regional work plan and budget for the project for 2016-2017, for review and approval by the PSC.

The country representatives will present their respective country work plans and budget for 2016-2017.

**1430 – 1500 4.0 Other Business**

**1500 Closing of the PSC Meeting**

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**ANNEX 3**

**COUNTRY PRESENTATIONS  
WORK PLAN AND BUDGET 2016-2017  
(E-LINK)**



**ANNEX 4**

**PROJECT WORK PLAN AND BUDGET 2016-2017  
(AS APPROVED BY THE MEETING  
E-LINK)**