

PROVISIONAL AGENDA
FOR
GEF DUGONG AND SEAGRASS CONSERVATION PROJECT CLOSING WORKSHOP

Dates: 26-28 February 2019

Place: Bali, Indonesia

1. Introduction

The Dugong and Seagrass Conservation Project (DSCP or *the Project*) is the first global initiative for the protection of the dugong and its seagrass habitats. Since its conception in 2015, the Project has invested the entrusted GEF-5 funds, amounting to USD 5.88 million, in forty-two conservation initiatives across eight of the forty-six dugong range states. The conservation initiatives have been driven by nearly thirty local organisations, who have worked on four integral Project components towards achieving the Project objective, namely, **to enhance the effectiveness of conservation efforts for dugongs and their seagrass ecosystems across the Indian and Pacific Ocean basins.**

December 2018 will mark the end of the technical completion phase for the Project.

The closing workshop for all Project Partners, both implementing and supporting, and technical advisors is scheduled to take place in the last week of February 2019, after the technical completion of the Project

Since the Project inception workshop, held in October 2015 in Colombo, Sri Lanka, the closing workshop will be the next and last opportunity for the Partners to meet altogether under the Dugong and Seagrass Conservation Project. Although meetings of the Executive Project Steering Committee were held annually during the course of the project, they were usually attended by one Project country representative and usually, this would be the National Facilitator or his/ her delegate.

2. Objectives for the closing workshop

The objectives for the closing workshop are:

- To critically review achievements, obstacles and lessons learned during the implementation of the Project;
- To map the next steps for dugong and seagrass conservation for the eight participating Project countries;
- To build capacity for the implementation of future similar/ relevant projects, including among others, administrative capacity, technical and soft skills; and
- To initiate the terminal evaluation for the Project.

3. Provisional agenda (updated)



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DAY ONE, FEB 26, 2019

Starting time	Topic	Speaker/ moderator
08:00	Registration	
09:00	Welcome by the hosts	Nicolas Heard, MbZ Fund Max Zieren, UN Environment Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat
09:15	Why are we here?	Maya Korayem, MbZ Fund Kirk Duthler, MbZ Fund
09:35	Agenda review	Maya Korayem, MbZ Fund Kirk Duthler, MbZ Fund
09:45	Interactive session: demonstration of scientific knowledge	All Participants
10:15	Presentation of the Research Project Component	Maya Todorova
10:35	Case study 1: Results from dugong research activities in Mozambique	Almeida Guissamulo, Dugongos
10:55	Case study 2: Dugong and seagrass research in Malaysia	Louisa Ponnampalam, MareCet
11:15	Research poster session & Coffee break	Project Partners
11:45	Panel discussions: Results from the Research Component. Lessons learned.	Nicolas Pilcher, Marine Research Foundation Len McKenzie, Seagrass-Watch Christoph Cleguer, Murdoch University Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat
12:25	Presentation of the Incentives Project Component	Maya Todorova, MbZ Fund
12:45	Case study 3: Empowering community-based conservation in Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka	Thushan Kapurusinghe Sri Lanka Turtle Conservation Project
13:05	Lunch break	
14:05	Interactive session: Where is the dugong?	All Participants
14:25	Case study 4: Ecotourism and dugong conservation – the case of Timor-Leste homestays	Jenny House, Blue Ventures Timor-Leste
14:45	Case study 5: A spirulina farming as an alternative livelihoods (Indonesia and Solomon Islands)	Saumil Shah, EnerGaia
15:05	Businesses and dugong conservation	Trisha Varma, Uncover-Y
15:35	Incentives poster session & Coffee break	Project Partners
16:05	Panel discussion: Results from the Incentives Component. Lessons learned.	Max Zieren, UN Environment Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat Nicolas Heard, MbZ Fund
16:45	Wrap up.	Partners
17:00	End of Day 1.	
19:00	Dinner, the Holiday Inn Baruna Bali Resort	

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DAY TWO, FEB 27, 2019

Starting time	Topic	Speaker/ moderator
09:00	Opening of Day 2	Maya Korayem, MbZ Fund Kirk Duthler, MbZ Fund
09:20	Presentation of the Policy Project Component	Maya Todorova, MbZ Fund
09:40	Case study 6: How to be a successful National Facilitator	Chelcia Gomese, WorldFish Centre Solomon Islands
10:00	Case study 7: Integrating dugong safeguards in public and private decision-making	Christina Shaw, Vanuatu Environmental Science Society
10:20	DPSIR analysis	Peter Fippinger, Environment Agency Abu Dhabi
10:40	Policy poster session & Coffee break	Project Partners
11:10	Panel discussion: Results from the Policy Component. Lessons learned.	Max Zieren, UN Environment Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat Peter Fippinger, Environment Agency Abu Dhabi
11:50	Culture, dugongs and seagrasses	Leena Iyengar, Tune in to Earth
12:10	Case study 8: Cultural significance of dugongs and seagrass in Malaysia	Leela Rajamani Universiti Sains Malaysia
12:30	Discussion: integration of traditional knowledge in conservation	All Participants
12:50	Lunch	
13:50	Interactive session: Pictionary	All Participants
14:20	Presentation of the Awareness & Education Project Component	Kirk Duthler, MbZ Fund
14:40	Case study 9: How to build an environmentally-engaged generation in developing countries	Mihary Ramiandrisoa Community Centred Conservation
15:00	Case study 10: How artists can support conservationists	Sheyka N. Fadela WWF Indonesia
15:20	Awareness and Education Component poster session & Coffee break	Project Partners
15:50	Panel discussion: Results from the Awareness & Education Component. Lessons learned.	Samantha Matthews, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat Himansu Das, Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi Kirk Duthler, MbZ Fund Nicolas Heard, MbZ Fund
16:30	Wrap up	Partners
16:45	End of Day 2	Moderators
18:30	Meeting at the hotel lobby; dinner outside	

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DAY THREE, FEB 28, 2019

Starting time	Topic	Speaker/ moderator
09:00	Opening of day 3	Maya Korayem, MbZ Fund Kirk Duthler, MbZ Fund
09:15	Sharing experience and lessons learned from the coordination of the GEF Dugong and Seagrass Conservation Project	Maya Todorova, MbZ Fund
09:35	News from other dugong/ seagrass projects and initiatives	All participants
09:55	Beyond the Dugong and Seagrass Conservation Project	Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat
10:35	Work in groups: where to post-DSCP	Elizabeth Andrews, Bloomington Writing and Editing LLC Maya Todorova, MbZ Fund
	Working Group Asia 1: Indonesia and Timor-Leste	Nicolas Pilcher, Marine Research Foundation
	Working Group Asia 2: Sri Lanka and Malaysia	Peter Fippinger, Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi
	Working Group Africa: Madagascar and Mozambique	Maya Todorova, MbZ Fund
	Working Group the Pacific: Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands (and Australia)	Samantha Matthews, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat
11:35	Coffee break	
11:50	Work in groups (continued)	
12:50	Lunch	
	Working lunch for EPSC members	EPSC members
14:20	Plenary session: presentation of results	Working group rapporteurs
15:05	Feedback on the results from the working groups	Nicolas Heard, MbZ Fund Max Zieren, UN Environment Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat
15:45	UN Environment about the Project and next steps	Max Zieren, UN Environment
16:25	Wrap up of the meeting	Maya Todorova, MbZ Fund
16:45	End the workshop	Nicolas Heard, MbZ Fund Donna Kwan, CMS Dugong MoU Secretariat Max Zieren, UN Environment
18:30	Award ceremony	
19:00	Dinner, the Holiday Inn Baruna Bali Resort	