



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON THE CONSERVATION AND
MANAGEMENT OF MARINE TURTLES
AND THEIR HABITATS OF THE INDIAN
OCEAN AND SOUTH-EAST ASIA**

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8TH MEETING OF THE SIGNATORY STATES

Da Nang, Viet Nam, 21-25 October 2019

Agenda Item 3

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND SCHEDULE

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

Action Requested:

- Adopt the Agenda

	Agenda Items	Documents	Notes
Monday, 21 October			
8:00-8:45	IOSEA MOS8 Participant Registration		
Morning 9:00	<p>Opening Ceremony Agenda Item 1: Welcoming remarks</p> <p>Agenda Item 2: Signature of the Memorandum by additional States</p> <p>Agenda Item 3: Election of officers, Adoption of the agenda and schedule</p>	<p>Doc.3. Provisional Agenda and Schedule (Secretariat)</p>	<p>Dr. Tran Dinh Luan, Director General, D-FISH, MARD Mr. Nguyen Phu Ban, Director, Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, Da Nang City Melanie Virtue, Head, Aquatic Species Team, CMS Secretariat</p> <p>Nomination and election of a Chair and Vice-Chair. Introduction of the aims of the meeting, expected outcomes, and structure. Establishment of the Credentials Committee.</p>
10:45	Coffee / Tea Break		
11:00	<p>Agenda Item 4: Report of the Secretariat</p> <p>Agenda Item 5: Report of the Advisory Committee Chair</p> <p>Agenda Item 6: Reports of the Chairs of the Marine Turtle Task Forces and of Sub-regional Focal Points</p>	<p>Doc.4. Report of the Secretariat (Secretariat)</p> <p>5. Report of the AC (AC)</p> <p>Inf.6.a Report of NIO-MTTF-1 (2015) Inf.6.b Report of WIO-MTTF-7 (2017) Inf.6.c Report of NIO-MTTF-2 (2018)</p>	<p>The Secretariat will provide a brief overview of key activities since MOS7.</p> <p>The AC Chair will provide a brief report on key activities since MOS7.</p> <p>MTTF chairs briefly report on the progress made and challenges encountered, and next steps envisaged (5-10 minutes each). Sub-regional Focal Points are also given opportunity to highlight key developments in their sub-regions (5-10 minutes each).</p>
12:30	Lunch Break		

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Afternoon 14:00	Agenda Item 7: Review of Implementation 7.1 National Reports 7.2 Review of Implementation of Action Points Arising from MOS7	 Doc.7.1 Analysis of National Reports (Secretariat) Inf.7.1.a – Inf.7.1.z National Reports (Signatories) Doc.7.2 Report on Implementation of Action Points (Secretariat)	 <i>Agreed further steps will feed into the Work Programme discussed under Item 8.</i> The Secretariat will present the analysis of national reports and seek the meeting's guidance for future analyses. Signatories will have opportunity to discuss whether any changes to the reporting format are desired. The Secretariat will present a summary of the implementation of the Action Points arising from MOS7 and identify gaps and needs.
16:00	Group Photo & Coffee / Tea Break		
16:30 -18:30	7.3 Results of the Hawksbill Assessment 7.4 Priority Projects: Casuarina Trees 7.5 Environmental Impact Assessments	Doc.7.3 Draft Assessment of the Conservation Status of the Hawksbill Turtle in the Indian Ocean and South East Asia (AC) Doc.7.4 The Vulnerability of <i>Casuarina</i> -backed Sea Turtle Nesting Beaches to Erosion (AC) Doc.7.5 Guidelines for the Review of Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) of Developments Impacting on Sea Turtles and Turtle Habitat (AC)	Colin Limpus (AC Member) will present results of the latest species assessment and invite comments on the draft report. Ronel Nel (AC Member) will present results of the project. Ronel Nel (AC Member) will present results of the project.
19:00	Welcome Dinner hosted by the Government of Viet Nam (Grand Tourane Hotel)		

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Tuesday, 22 October			
Morning 8:00	<i>Recap of Day 1</i> <i>Outline of the work for Day 2</i>		
8:30	Agenda Item 8. Introduction, review and prioritization of Draft Work Programme 8.1 Synthesis of Existing Recommendations	Doc.8.1.a – Doc.8.1.e Synthesis of Existing Recommendations (Secretariat)	This is a synthesis of relevant recommendations to serve as a reference and help to populate the Draft Work Programme.
10:00	Coffee / Tea Break		
10:15	8.2 Draft Work Programme	Doc.8.2 Draft Work Programme (WP) 2020-2024 for the IOSEA Marine Turtle MOU (Secretariat)	The Draft Work Programme will contain suggested activities for the next intersessional period based on the Synthesis of Existing Recommendations. The meeting will be asked to prioritize activities and break them down into concrete steps as required for a realistic Work Programme. The Secretariat will introduce the document, which the AC had opportunity to review and discuss during its meeting. Then the meeting will split into sub-regional or thematic working groups to review, revise as appropriate and prioritize the Draft Work Programme.
12:30	Lunch Break		
13:15	Side Event by Emirates Nature-WWF: Green Turtles of the Arabian Region – Insights on regional population connectivity based on 4 years of satellite tracking data		

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14:00	<p>Agenda Item 9. IOSEA Site Network</p> <p>9.1 Status Updates</p> <p>9.2 Proposal for Inclusion of Con Dao National Park, Viet Nam (Viet Nam)</p>	<p>Doc.9.1 The Network of Sites of Importance for Marine Turtles in the Indian Ocean South-East Asia Region (IOSEA Site Network): Status Update and Way Forward (Secretariat)</p> <p>Inf.9.1 Updates on the Status of IOSEA Network Sites (Secretariat)</p> <p>Inf.9.1.a-9.1.h Updates on the Status of IOSEA Network Sites (Site Managers)</p> <p>Doc.9.2 Proposal for Inclusion of Con Dao National Park, Viet Nam into the IOSEA Site Network (Viet Nam)</p>	<p><i>Agreed further steps will feed into the Work Programme discussed under Item 8.</i></p> <p>Participants representing an existing Site will be given opportunity to report briefly on progress/developments since designation (5-10 minutes each).</p> <p>The Secretariat will provide an overview of the status of work on the process and criteria and will suggest future steps for discussion. This will be based on the summary of previous work done prepared by the Secretariat.</p> <p>The representative of Viet Nam will present their proposal for inclusion of Con Dao National Park in the IOSEA Site Network. The AC will present the results of their evaluation of the proposal. The meeting will be requested to decide on the site's inclusion in the Site Network.</p>
16.00	Coffee / Tea Break		
16:15 -18:30	<i>Agenda Item 8. Continued work in working groups</i>	<p>Doc.8.1 Synthesis of Existing Recommendations</p> <p>Doc.8.2 Draft Work Programme</p>	The working groups will continue their work on the draft Work Programme.

	Agenda Items	Documents	Notes
Wednesday, 23 October			
Morning 8:00	<i>Recap of Day 2 Outline of the work for Day 3</i>		
8:30	<p>Agenda Item 10. Partnerships and Collaboration</p> <p>10.1 Illegal Take and Trade of Marine Turtles</p> <p>10.2 Ramsar Resolution XIII.24 on Marine Turtles</p> <p>10.3 RFMOs and Bycatch Reduction</p>	<p>Doc.10.1 Illegal Take and Trade of Marine Turtles (Secretariat) Inf.10.1.a Status, Scope and Trends of the Legal and Illegal International Trade in Marine Turtles, its Conservation Impacts, Management Options and Mitigation Priorities (Secretariat) Inf.10.1.a Annex 1: Madagascar Inf.10.1.a Annex 2: Mozambique Inf.10.1.a Annex 3: Colombia, Panama, Nicaragua Inf.10.1.a Annex 4: Indonesia, Malaysia, Viet Nam Inf.10.1.b A Report on Turtle Harvest and Trade in Solomon Islands (AC Member)</p> <p>Doc.10.2 Ramsar Resolution XIII.24 on Marine Turtles: Relevance for the IOSEA Marine Turtle MOU (Secretariat)</p> <p>Doc.10.3 Developments in Relevant Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs) (Secretariat)</p>	<p><i>Agreed further steps will feed into the Work Programme discussed under Item 8.</i></p> <p>The Secretariat will provide an overview of the results of the CITES study. Discussion on relevant recommendations for IOSEA and the role of the IOSEA Illegal Trade Working Group (ITWG).</p> <p>Any other documents related to turtle take and trade may also be discussed under this item.</p> <p>The Secretariat will present an overview highlighting possibilities for collaboration with respect to capacity building and the IOSEA Site Network</p> <p>The Secretariat will provide an overview of relevant resolutions and active conservation management measures of RFMOs, including data collection requirements.</p>
10:00	Coffee / Tea Break		

	10.4 CMS Work on Relevant Topics	Doc.10.4 Outcomes of CMS COP12 and Opportunities for Collaboration (Secretariat)	The Secretariat will inform the meeting of the most relevant resolutions and work streams under CMS and outline options for cooperation.
	10.5 Other Opportunities for Collaboration	Doc.10.5 Abandoned, lost or discarded fishing nets: a need for improved quantitative analyses in the Indian Ocean (OPR/Secretariat) Inf.10.5 Cracking the Code: Developing a tortoiseshell DNA extraction and source detection method (WWF)	The meeting will be invited to highlight any other important opportunities for collaboration with IGOs, NGOs, the scientific community or the private sector, which can be discussed further in the working groups under Agenda Item 8.
11:00	Agenda Item 11. Emerging Issues		<i>Agreed further steps will feed into the Work Programme discussed under Item 8.</i>
	11.1 Light Pollution	Doc.11.1 Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife Including Marine Turtles, Seabirds and Migratory Shorebirds (Australia)	The representative of Australia will present their national guidelines.
	11.2 Underwater Noise	Doc.11.2 Impacts of Underwater Noise (Secretariat) Inf.11.2 Technical Support Information to the CMS Family Guidelines on Environmental Impact Assessment for Marine Noise-generating Activities (Secretariat)	The Secretariat will present Guidelines on Environmental Impact Assessments for Marine Noise-generating Activities.
	11.3 Hatcheries	Inf.11.3 Guidance on Hatcheries (Secretariat)	Andrea Phillott (Invited Expert) will present an overview of best approaches and common mistakes in turtle hatcheries.
12:30	Lunch Break		
13:15	Side Event by WWF/TRAFFIC: The Urgency in Accounting for Turtles in Trade		
Afternoon 14.00	<i>Agenda Item 8. Continued work in working groups</i>	Doc.8.1 Synthesis of Existing Recommendations Doc.8.2 Draft Work Programme	The working groups will continue their work on the Draft Work Programme.
16:00	Coffee / Tea Break		

16:15 -18:30	<i>Agenda Item 8. Reporting back of the working groups</i>	Doc.8.1 Synthesis of Existing Recommendations Doc.8.2 Draft Work Programme	The working groups will report back on their progress and conclusions. Outputs of working groups will be discussed, and the Secretariat will integrate them overnight into the Draft Work Programme.
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Thursday, 24 October			
Morning 8:00	<i>Recap of Day 3</i> <i>Outline of the work for Day 4</i>		
8:30 10:00 Coffee / Tea Break	Agenda Item 12. Presentation and Adoption of Revised Draft Work Programme	Doc.12.1 Revised Draft Work Programme (Secretariat)	The Secretariat will present the revised version of the Draft Work Programme for final discussion and adoption.
12:30	Lunch Break		
13:15	Side Event by IUCN Viet Nam & IMER - Institute of Marine Environment and Resources: Sea Turtle Conservation in Viet Nam: Challenges and Opportunities		
Afternoon 14:00	Agenda Item 13. Financial and Administrative Matters 13.1 IOSEA Secretariat Arrangements 13.2 Review of Income and Expenditures 2014-2019 13.3 Indicative Budget for 2020-2022	Doc.13.1 IOSEA Secretariat Arrangements (Secretariat) Doc.13.2 Status of the Trust Fund (Secretariat) Doc.13.3 Draft Budget 2020-2022 (Secretariat)	The Secretariat will report on the current administrative arrangements. The Secretariat will report on income and expenditures since MOS7. The Secretariat will present the proposed budget for the coming intersessional period.
16:00	Coffee / Tea Break		

16:15	Agenda Item 14. Institutional Matters 14.1 Advisory Committee Membership	Doc.14.1.a Proposal: Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee (Australia) Doc.14.1.b Nominations for Members of the IOSEA Advisory Committee (Secretariat) Doc.14.1.c Scheduling of Advisory Committee Meetings (Secretariat) Inf.14.1 Terms of Reference of the Advisory Committee (Secretariat)	Australia will introduce a proposal for revision of the ToR for the AC for consideration by the meeting. The meeting will review the nominations for the Advisory Committee and (re-)appoint members. The Secretariat will seek the meeting's decision relating to the timing of future Advisory Committee Meetings
	14.2 Sub-regional Focal Points	Inf.14.2 Terms of Reference for Sub-regional Focal Points (Secretariat)	The sub-regional groups will designate their Focal Points.
	14.3 Next Meeting of the Signatory States (MOS9)	Inf.14.3 Meeting Requirements (Secretariat)	The Secretariat will remind Signatory States of the requirements for hosting the meeting and call for offers to host.
18:00	Closing of the Meeting		

Friday, 25 October

Excursion (more information to follow)