
Technical Working Group

Meeting #4
Thursday 26 March 2015
0900-1200 hrs.
Location: ICCS Room 2

Minutes

Meeting Objectives:

*NONE SPECIFIED

Attendance:

Arjan De Groene – GIF - Marine Ecology (ME) TWG
 David Rowat – MCSS – ME TWG
 Rowana Walton – SIF - ME TWG
 Chris Mason Parker – GVI – ME TWG
 Ahab Downer – ICS – ME TWG
 Alice Mascarenhas – ICS – ME TWG
 Calvin Gerry - SFA – ME & Socio- Economic (SE) TWG
 Jeanne Mortimer – Turtle Action Group – ME & Terrestrial Ecology (TE) TWG
 Ronny Renaud – IDC – SE TWG
 Mamy – Seychelles Energy Commission – SE TWG
 Bernice Elizabeth – Dept. of Tourism – SE TWG
 Herve Barois – Sustainability for Seychelles – SE & TE TWG
 Ned Wirtz - Seychelles Ports Authority – SE TWG
 Allen Chetty - Seychelles Ports Authority – SE TWG

Olivier Bodère - MEECC
 Joanna Smith – TNC Canada
 Iris Carolus – MSP Coordinator

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Agenda Item	Comment/Advice	Action_Response (with initials)
Discussion and Questions	Is everything in the EEZ being considered? Everywhere in the EEZ is compatible for fisheries, tourism, petroleum and biodiversity.	
	Fisheries data used was clarified (CPUE for industrial and VMS for artisanal – removed 2010 (when has the most impact) due to piracy as recommended by SFA)	

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	Terms of reference for the TWG will be amended. It was also proposed that one of the roles of the Chairs and Co Chairs was to keep the TWG members up to date with any developments regarding the MSP. The new Project Manager will ensure that the link is maintained.	J.S.
	Introduced to members as part of the MSP local team representing the Minister of EECC's office.	
	Members were reminded of the MSP website where all relevant information relating to the MSP meetings can be found. The website needs to be updated with documents from the meetings held in March 2015. It was suggested to include the list of members of all 3 TWG on the website – Action item.	J.S. include list of members of all 3 TWG on the website.
	Presented an updated timeline to members	J.S. send timeline to all members.
	How much money will be available under SeyCATT?	J.S.
	Does the MSP process include development plans for each zone?	J.S. responded that management considerations were being developed for each zone and that development plans could be developed in Phase 2 of the project.
	Presented the zoning design to the members, asking members to be nimble in their thoughts as these zones are not fixed/set in stone but subject to change. Multi use zones could also be decided upon.	J.S. send compatibility matrix to all members.
	Does “multi-use” mean “compatible use”? Examples for Norway and St. Kitts used as explanation.	J.S.
	It was queried if sand mining referred to on the map was done for reclamation and whether this was a valid influence on this zone as no future reclamation is being planned in these areas. (David). It was clarified that that will not be a zone but merely data informing the zones.	J.S.
	Tourism zone is missing in the Integrated Stakeholder Preferences Map	J.S. informed members to point out any other uses that are missing.
	It was queried if the intention was to take output of PA work for Zone B.	It was clarified that the PA results were for a 30 % goal. This will be used as a proxy to create methodology until the

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		final results are available from Dr. Klaus. The TWG to be held in April will need to ground truth these results
	It was pointed out that the fisheries restricted areas were not shown on the map. It was queried whether marxan can be used to plot all relevant information on the map	It was clarified that GIS can also be used for these purposes. Actually what we have are only blobs on a map and not zones.
	It was suggested that the area that is less scattered biodiversity wise, the Mahe Plateau, is the one with multiple uses.	
	Principles for Decision Making, as developed by the Chairs and Co-Chairs of the TWGs were presented.	
Principles for Decision Making	"Balancing ecological, economic, social, cultural objectives' and "sustainability" seem to have the same meaning. It was pointed out that a definition for sustainability was needed if it was to be used.	J.S.
Principles for Decision Making	Add "feasibility" (practical, implementable, financial sustainability)	J.S.
Principles for Decision Making	Add "dynamic Process"	J.S.
Principles for Decision Making	Add "nature of the activity or use (temporal)"	J.S.
Principles for Decision Making	Local definition of precautionary principle was queried.	J.S. informed the CBD definition is used.
Principles for Decision Making	It was queried how an " adaptable and dynamic process" can be used to make a decision	J.S.
Principles for Decision Making	Suggested to regroup "blue economy" under "policy"	J.S.
Principles for Decision Making	Members requested to communicate further recommendations to the list if any and will also be requested to assist with the grouping of the principles as suggested.	J.S.
Presented on Group Work for Decision-Making	Presented scenarios	
	Suggested to add Cosmoledo and Astove to the scenarios	J.S.
	Requested to have the GeoPDFs of the scenarios.	J.S. informed members this will be available via a dropbox link which will be communicated to them.
	Queried whether in making decisions about a zone, will they have the actual zones or just a blank area?	J.S. Members were informed that since only the graphics fro Zone B were available, the group work should focus on why data is actually available as well as any

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		further knowledge they may have.
	Comments on sample variable: (i) strategic is missing, (ii) necessity involves the economic potential of the use, and (iii) add Strategic or Economic Imperative (Hervé)	J.S.
Next Steps	Develop a decision tree matrix for guidance.	
Next Steps	Members asked to save the following dates on calendars: Stakeholder Workshop # 4: 14th April 2015, TWG Meeting # 5: 16th April 2015, SC Meeting # 5: 23rd April 2015.	
Meeting adjourned at 1200 hrs.		

3 Working Groups Formed:

Group 1: -

Conclusion: would zone for fishing with lots of compatible uses.

Group 2: -

Conclusion: as cannot define primary objective this should be multi-usage.

Group 3: -

Conclusion: Need to be managed at small scale, with exclusive zones.



Annex I: Meeting Agenda

SEYCHELLES MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING (msp) INITIATIVE

MSP Technical Working Group (TWG)

Marine Biodiversity, Terrestrial Biodiversity and Socio-Economic Uses

Meeting #4

Thursday 26 March 2015

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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Agenda

Meeting Objective:

1. To develop draft “decision trees” to aid in prioritising the objective(s) for spatial locations with more than one zone type.

#	Time	Topic
	8:30	Registration
1	9:00	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and Introductions• Review Agenda and Terms of Reference for TWG
2	9:15	Decision Trees for Zoning Designations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Background and Context• Examples• Break-out Groups
	10:00	Tea break
3	10:15	Decision Trees, continued <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Break-out Groups• Report out• Next Steps
4	11:30	Roundtable and Wrap-Up
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