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## MSP Steering Committee, with Technical Working Groups

Steering Committee #22

Date: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Time: 3:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Eden Bleu Hotel, Mahé

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### Minutes

#### Meeting Objectives:

Receive SC Member recommendations to the Executive Committee on:

- Allowable Activities Tables Zone 1, Zone 2 and Zone 3
- Spatial decision matrix for oil & gas
- Management Unit boundaries

#### Attendance:

Bernice Senaratne- Dept. of Tourism, Steering Committee, Tourism TWG

Marie-Antoinette Micock - Dept. of Tourism, Tourism TWG

Chris Mason-Parker - CEO, MCSS - Chairperson, Steering Committee

Cynthia Adrienne- GIS Section, MLH

Ashley Dias- Acting DG MACCE – Steering Committee

Jeanne Mortimer, Independent consultant

Patrick Samson- Exploration Manager, PetroSeychelles,

Joanna Prosper, PCU -Ridge to Reef Project

Jan Robinson- SWIOFISH3, Steering Committee

#### Other members present:

Sophie Morel- MACCE, Terrestrial Ecology TWG

Stuart Laing- BERI/UniSey, Marine Ecology TWG

#### MSP Core Team

Joanna Smith-Science and Process lead, Seychelles MSP initiative, TNC Canada

Helena Sims- Project Manager, Seychelles MSP initiative, TNC

Mr. Rick Tingey- GIS spatial analyst, Spatial Support Systems LLC

Ms. Elke Talma- SeyCCAT Project coordinator

## Minutes;

Agenda Item #	Agenda Item	Comment/Advice	Action_Response (with initials)
1.0	Welcome	The SMSP team welcomed all the participants to the meeting and provided an overview of the objective of the meeting which is to confirm recommendations to the Executive Committee	
1.10	Allowable Activities Tables Zone 1, Zone 2 and Zone 3	The SMSP team sought to for any objections to changes to the Allowable Activity Table (AAT) codes for the presentation of the changes to the EC. These included:	
1.11		A subsistence fishing definition with no commercial component.	No objections
1.12		Two new columns for Denis and St Joseph for AAT Z2.	No Objections
1.13		AAT for Z3 will be presented as a draft only.	No objections
1.20	Spatial decision matrix	The SMSP proposed that the high level points raised by the SC and TWG will be brought to the attention of the EC as well as the approach that was tried and the challenges that were raised.	No objections
1.21		The SC was informed that a review of discussions on oil and gas in the SMSP will be provided to EC as per their request in EC#26.	No objections
1.30	Management units	The SMSP advised that for the management units, the SMSP team will speak to the IDC tomorrow. For this meeting, the SMSP sought approval for the management units for D'Arros, St Joseph and Denis.	No Objections
1.31	Management unit	A query was raised by the SC as to whether there had been any discussions with the partners on the co-management agreements.	There have been discussions but no decisions have been made. JS.
1.32	Management unit	It was expressed that there is an urgency to link the co-management units under the Nature Reserves and Conservancy Act (2022) and the requirement to have the Z2 AONB reclassified to sustainable use area category for the completion of the SMSP	MACCE will prioritise Z2 recategorization for the realignment exercise. AD.
2.0	Next steps	The SMSP team confirmed that there will be one more round of consultations in 2022 to finalise the Plan.	
2.1		Members re-iterated that the co-management component needs to be prioritised to finalise the plan. JR.	
		Meeting adjourned at 1600 hrs.	

Minutes prepared by Helena Sims, with assistance from Elke Talma, and submitted on 11 November 2022.

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**Annex I: Meeting Agenda**

**SEYCHELLES MARINE SPATIAL PLAN (MSP) INITIATIVE**

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**MSP Steering Committee, with Technical Working Group**

SC Meeting #21, with TWG #15  
 Date: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
 Time: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM  
 Location: Eden Bleu Hotel, Mahé

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**DRAFT Agenda**

Meeting Objectives:

1. To finalise key issues on Allowable Activities Tables for Zone 1-3
2. To review Draft #2 of Spatial Decision Matrix for Oil & Gas
3. To review Draft Management Units, where discussed from SC#20 and TWG's 13 & 14
4. Steering Committee Members SC22: Recommendations to Executive Committee

#	Time	Topic
	8:30	<i>Arrival and Registration</i>
1	9:00	<b>Meeting Opening</b> – Steering Committee co-Chair MACCE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and Agenda review</li> </ul>
2	9:15	<b>Seychelles MSP brief update</b> – Dr. Joanna Smith and Ms. Helena Sims <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Summary of stakeholder inputs in July and public workshop on Praslin</li> <li>ii. Q&amp;A</li> </ol>
3	9:30	<b>Allowable Activities Tables (AAT)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Plenary 1: Review of outstanding activities to finalise AAT for Zone 1, 2 and 3</li> </ol>
	10:00	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
3	10:15	<b>Allowable Activities Tables, cont'd</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii. Break out groups, as needed</li> <li>iii. Plenary 2: Discussion to finalise the Allowable Activities Tables.</li> </ol>
	12:00	<b>LUNCH PROVIDED</b>
4	1:00	<b>Draft Spatial Decision Matrix for Oil &amp; Gas</b> – Dr. Joanna Smith and Mr. Rick Tingey <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Presentation of Draft #2</li> <li>ii. Plenary discussion and revision of draft #2 spatial decision matrix</li> </ol>



5	1:45	<p><b>MSP Zone Management Units</b> – Dr. Joanna Smith and Mr. Rick Tingey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Draft Management Unit boundaries based on stakeholder discussions in July</li> <li>ii. Plenary discussion of revisions and/or outstanding items</li> </ul>
6	2:25	<b>Wrap Up and Next Steps. Adjourn joint meeting with SC and TWG</b>
	2:30	<b>COFFEE/TEA BREAK</b>
7	3:00	<p><b>Steering Committee Member Meeting SC#22</b> – Co-Chair, with Dr. Joanna Smith and Ms. Helena Sims</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii. Agenda review</li> <li>iii. SC Member recommendations to the Executive Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Allowable Activities Tables Zone 1, Zone 2 and Zone 3</li> <li>o Spatial decision matrix for oil &amp; gas</li> <li>o Management Unit boundaries</li> </ul> </li> <li>iv. Any other business</li> </ul>
	4:00	<b>Steering Committee Adjourn</b>