REVIEW OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS REGIONAL MARINE SPECIES PROGRAMME ACTION PLANS 2013-2017:

- WHALE AND DOLPHIN ACTION PLAN;
- MARINE TURTLE ACTION PLAN;
- DUGONG ACTION PLAN

8-14 March 2012

Venue: Hexagon International, Nadi, Fiji

Objectives:

1). To review the status of the implementation and lessons learned of the regional Marine Species Programme Action Plans (MSPAPs) 2008-2012 - Whale & Dolphin Action Plan (WDAP); Marine Turtle Action Plan (MTAP) and Dugong Action Plan (DAP);
2). To update members on available information on Whales and Dolphin (Cetaceans), Marine Turtles and Dugongs in the Pacific Islands region;
3). To develop new regional Marine Species Programme Action Plans for Whales & Dolphins, Marine Turtles and Dugongs, providing priority actions for marine species conservation work in the Pacific Islands region to guide regional and national activities for the next 5 years (2013-2017).
4). Building partnerships beyond 2012 for marine species conservation.

Expected Outcomes:

- Summary of the status of the implementation of the regional MSPAPs 2008-2012.
- Updated technical information on cetaceans, marine turtles and dugongs in the Pacific Islands region (including threats/issues)
- Draft MSPAPs 2013-2017
- Plan for building partnership beyond 2012.

Output:

- Revised Marine Species Programme Action Plans 2013-2017
- Workshop Report and any recommendations from the meeting.

DAY 1 – THURSDAY, 8 MARCH 2012			
SPREP REGIONAL MARINE SPECIES PROGRAMME (MSP)			
Time	**Session**	**Responsible**	**Notes**
8.30am	**Registration (at Venue)**		
09.00-10.00am	SESSION SPECIAL: ▪ Introduction and welcome ▪ Prayer ▪ Opening ▪ The SPREP Regional MSPAPs and reviews of the Species Action Plans	• SPREP (MSO) • Participant • SPREP: Stuart Chape, Director-BEM • SPREP (MSO)	Introduction to the SPREP Regional MSPF containing the Whale & Dolphin Action Plan, Marine Turtle Action Plan and the Dugong Action Plan, duration, process for endorsement etc
10.00-10.30am	MORNING TEA		

1. WHALE AND DOLPHIN ACTION PLAN REVIEW

1.1: INTRODUCTIONS AND ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON			
10.30-11.00 am	SESSION 1: ▪ Introduction of Participants ▪ Election of Chairperson ▪ Meeting Objectives/Outcomes and Procedures ▪ Adoption of Agenda	 Facilitator (SMT) Facilitator (SMT) SPREP (MSO) Chair	
1.2: STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WDAP 2008-2012			
11-12.30	**Session 2:** ▪ WDAP 2008-2012 Implementation: Regional Overview ▪ Main partners: - CMS Pacific Cetacean MoU - SPWRC ▪ MEMBERS OVERVIEW ON WDAP NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION ▪ OTHERS OVERVIEW - IGOs, NGOs, Researchers/Institutes, Private	 SPREP (MSO) CMS SPWRC 3-minute presentations by member countries and territories 3-minute presentations by collaborators	- Achievements - Issues arising - Key lessons learnt; gaps; - Key issues and recommended actions for new WDAP
12.30-1.30	LUNCH		

1.3 CETACEANS CURRENT STATUS, INCOME GENERATION & CONSERVATION			
1.30-2.00	SESSION 3: CURRENT STATUS OF AND THREATS TO CETACEANS IN PIR ▪ Stocks, populations, migration, species distribution/ occurrence in the Pacific Islands region	tba	Presentations for background information Presentation: Includes global/regional stocks status and listings in IUCN, and CITES & CMS Appendices
2.00-2.30	SESSION 4: INCOME GENERATING (CETACEAN WATCHING) IN PIR ▪ Trends & opportunities, potential impacts of cetacean watching	tba	Presentation: recent information in the Pacific Islands region
2.30-3.00	SESSION 5: CURRENT STATUS OF CETACEAN PROTECTION IN PIR ▪ Sanctuaries, national legislation and policies, relevant International Conventions/Instruments	SPREP	
3.00-3.30	AFTERNOON TEA		
1.4 NEW WHALE & DOLPHIN ACTION PLAN 2013-2017			
3.30-5.00	SESSION 6: NEW WHALE & DOLPHIN ACTION PLAN ▪ Goal(s) ▪ Vision ▪ Framework (Key Areas/Themes with Actions listed under each, Lead and partner agencies, Priority, as per current APs)	All-Chair/Facilitator	▪ Appropriate approach to adapt for formatting the Action Plan
	SESSION 7: ▪ KEY AREAS/THEMES **[to be in-line with other regional strategies e.g. SPREP's Strategic Plan, Oceanscape, Biodiversity etc]** ▪ Working Groups (4?) allocation ▪ Allocation of Key Areas/Themes to each Working Group [2 Key Areas per WG]	All-Chair/Facilitator	▪ Identify Key Areas/Themes of priority to use in the Revised Action Plan; ▪ Working groups properly represented
	SESSION 8: GENERAL DISCUSSION; OUTLINE FOR LAST DAY	All-Chair/Facilitator	- Guidelines for Working Groups
Launches of the: • **Oceania Humpback Whale Recovery Plan** • **Pacific Dugong Video and Range States Dugong Profiles**			

DAY 2 - FRIDAY, 9 MARCH 2012			
8.30-12.00	WHALE & DOLPHIN ACTION PLAN 2008-2012 cont SESSION 9: WORKING GROUPS (WG)	Four WGs working on 2 Key Areas/Themes each. Each WG chose Chair/ rapporteur	**For each Key Area/Theme, identify** - Key objectives - Priority actions under each objective - Lead and collaborating partners responsible for each action - Action priority (high, medium or low).
12.00-1.00	LUNCH		
1.00-3.00	SESSION 10: WORKING GROUP REPORTING & DISCUSSION	Chair and each WG report on results of discussion	Discussion involving all on report and agree on objectives and priority actions etc
3.00-3.30	AFTERNOON TEA		
3.30-5.00	WORKING GROUP REPORTING & DISCUSSION cont	As above	As above
5.00	SESSION 11: WRAP-UP AND CLOSING	Facilitator/Chair	Wrap-up & agreement next steps to finalize new WDAP
	DRAFT WORKING GROUP		To pull main components and actions together for consideration

2. REVIEW OF THE MARINE TURTLE ACTION PLAN

DAY 3 – SATURDAY, 10 MARCH 2012			
2.1: INTRODUCTIONS AND ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON			
08.30-10.30	SESSION 1: ▪ Introduction of Participants ▪ Election of Chairperson ▪ Meeting Objectives/Outcomes and Procedures ▪ Adoption of Agenda	 Facilitator Facilitator SPREP (MSO) Chair	
	2.2: STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MARINE TURTLE ACTION PLAN 2008-2012		
	Session 2 ▪ MTAP 2008-2012 Implementation: Regional Overview ▪ MEMBERS OVERVIEW ON MTAP NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION ▪ OTHERS OVERVIEW - IGOs, NGOs, Researchers/Institutes, Private	 SPREP 3-minute presentations by PICTs 3-minute presentations by observers	- Achievements - Issues arising - Key lessons learnt; gaps; - Key issues and recommended Actions for new MTAP
2.3 MARINE TURTLES: CURRENT STATUS & CONSERVATION			
11.00-12.30	SESSION 3: CURRENT STATUS OF AND THREATS TO MARINE TURTLES IN PIR ▪ Stocks, Populations Status ▪ Migration in the Pacific Islands region (flipper and satellite tagging), Threats and Challenges	 tba SPREP	Presentations for background information Presentation: Includes global/regional stocks status and listings in IUCN, and CITES & CMS Appendices etc
	SESSION 4: INCOME GENERATING (MT WATCHING) AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES IN TURTLE CONSERVATION IN PIR ▪ Initiatives, opportunities, potential impacts etc	 tba SPREP/WWF SPPO	Presentation: on community monitors
	SESSION 5: CURRENT STATUS OF MARINE TURTLES PROTECTION IN PIR ▪ Sanctuaries, national legislation and policies and relevant International Conventions/Instruments	SPREP	
	LUNCH ½ DAY OFF		

DAY 4 – MONDAY, 12 MARCH 2012			
2.4 MARINE TURTLE ACTION PLAN 2013-2017			
08.30-10.30	SESSION 6: NEW MARINE TURTLE ACTION PLAN ▪ Goal(s) ▪ Vision ▪ Framework (as adopted for WDAP)	All-Chair/Facilitator	- appropriate approach to adapt for formatting the Action Plan
	SESSION 7: KEY AREAS/THEMES ▪ Working Groups (4?) allocation ▪ Allocation of Key Areas to each Working Group [2 Key Areas per WG]	All-Chair/Facilitator	- identify Key Areas/Themes of priority to use in the Revised Action Plan; - Working groups properly represented - Guidelines for Working Groups
11.00-12.30	SESSION 8: WORKING GROUPS (WG)	Four WGs with 2 Areas/Components Each WG chose Chair/ rapporteur	**For each Key Area/Theme, identify** - Key objectives - Priority actions under each objective - Lead and collaborating partners responsible for each action - Action priority (high, medium or low).
12.30-1.30	LUNCH		
1.30-3.00 PM	WORKING GROUPS (WG) cont		
	AFTERNOON TEA		
3.00-5.00pm	SESSION 9: WORKING GROUPS REPORTING	Chair and each WG report on results of discussion	- Discussion involving all on report and agree on objectives and priority actions etc
	SESSION 10: WRAP-UP AND CLOSING	Facilitator/Chair	- Wrap-up & agreement next steps to finalize new MTAP
	DRAFT WORKING GROUP		- To pull main components and actions together for consideration

3. REVIEW OF THE DUGONG ACTION PLAN

DAY 5 – TUESDAY, 13 MARCH 2012			
3.1: INTRODUCTIONS AND ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON			
8.30-10.30	**SESSION 1:** ▪ Introduction of Participants ▪ Election of Chairperson ▪ Meeting Objectives/Outcomes and Procedures ▪ Adoption of Agenda	 Facilitator Facilitator SPREP (MSO) Chair	
	3.2: STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DAP 2008-2012		
	SESSION 2: ▪ DAP 2003-2007 Implementation: Regional Overview and 2011 PYOD ▪ CMS ▪ RANGE STATE MEMBERS OVERVIEW ON DAP NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION ▪ OTHERS OVERVIEW - IGOs, NGOs, Researchers/Institutes, Private	 SPREP (MSO) CMS (D. Kwan) 3-minute presentations by member countries and territories 3-minute presentations by observers	- Achievements - Issues arising - Actions Recommended - Key lessons learnt; gaps; key issues for new DAP
3.3 DUGONG CURRENT STATUS, INCOMING GENERATION & CONSERVATION			
11.00-12.30	**SESSION 3:** **CURRENT STATUS OF AND THREATS TO DUGONGS IN PIR** ▪ Stocks, Stock Populations, Threats	tba	- Presentations for background information - Presentation: Includes global stocks status and listings in IUCN, and CITES & CMS Appendices
	SESSION 4: **INCOME GENERATING (DUGONG WATCHING) IN PIR** ▪ Opportunities, potential impacts of dugong watching	tbc	
	SESSION 5: **CURRENT STATUS OF DUGONG PROTECTION IN PIR** ▪ Sanctuaries, national legislation and policies, relevant International Conventions/Instruments	SPREP	
12.00-1.30	**LUNCH**		

3.4 DUGONG ACTION PLAN 2013-2017			
1.30-4.30PM	**SESSION 6:** **NEW DUGONG ACTION PLAN** ▪ Goal(s) ▪ Vision ▪ Framework (as adopted for WDAP & MTAP)	All-Chair/Facilitator	- appropriate approach to adapt for formatting the Action Plan
	SESSION 7: **KEY AREAS/COMPONENTS/THEMES** ▪ Working Groups (4?) allocation ▪ Allocation of Key Areas to each Working Group [2 Key Areas per WG]	All-Chair/Facilitator	- identify Key Areas/Themes of priority to use in the Revised Action Plan; - Working groups properly represented
	SESSION 8: GENERAL DISCUSSION; OUTLINE FOR LAST DAY	All-Chair/Facilitator	- Guidelines for Working Groups
DAY 6 – WEDNESDAY, 14 MARCH 2012			
8.30-12.00	**DUGONG ACTION PLAN 2008-2012** **SESSION 9:** **WORKING GROUPS (WG)**	Number of WGs depending on Areas/Components Each WG chose Chair/ rapporteur	**For each Key Area/Theme, identify** - Key objectives - Priority actions under each objective - Lead and collaborating partners responsible for each action - Action priority (high, medium or low).
12.00-1.00	**LUNCH**		
1.00-4.30	**SESSION 10:** **WORKING GROUP REPORTING**	Chair and each WG report on results of discussion	Discussion involving all on report and agree on objectives and priority actions etc
5.00	**SESSION 11:** **WRAP-UP AND CLOSING**	Facilitator/Chair	Wrap-up & agreement next steps to finalize new DAP
	DRAFT WORKING GROUP		To pull main components and actions together for consideration