

UNEP-Regional Seas Coral Reef Partnership Workshop



Agenda

- Venue: Second Global Conference on Land-Ocean Connections (GLOC-2)
2-4 October 2013, Montego Bay, Jamaica
- Time: Thursday 3 October, 11:00-18:00, Media Room ('Mount Salem' room)
Friday 4 October, 14:00-18:00, 'Trelawny Room'

Background:

The urgency in addressing the downward trajectory of the world's coral reefs is reflected in Aichi Biodiversity Target 10, Paragraph 176 of *The Future We Want*, the Secretary-General's Oceans Compact and the International Coral Reef Initiative (ICRI) Call to Action and Framework for Action. The Regional Seas Strategic Directions 2013-2016, adopted in 2012, include effectively applying an ecosystem approach in the management of the marine and coastal environment, strengthened efforts to address common objectives, and coordinated regional implementation of relevant global and regional initiatives, such as ICRI. To this end, UNEP and Regional Seas committed to collaboration through a global coral reef partnership (strategic direction 6). In taking this forward UNEP has developed draft partnership Terms of Reference and an initial biennial Work Programme, through consultation with Regional Seas programmes, the ICRI Secretariat and a range of organizations and governments. A Workshop is organized during GLOC-2.

Purpose and outputs:

The purpose of the Workshop is to provide information on partnership development to date, seek broader collaboration in the partnership, discuss and provide input towards defining partnership structure and thematic priorities; and provide guidance on further development of the partnership.

Outputs of the sessions will include:

- Document describing partnership structure, main themes and operational modalities, reflecting recommendations from the session;
- Confirmed elements for a work programme 2014-15, including identification of priority activities;
- Indication of participation in and contributions towards activities by participating organizations;
- Guidance to UNEP e.g. on matters related to development of the partnership business plan; partnership visual identity, communication, etc.

Documents:

1. Agenda;
2. Background/information document;
3. Brief synthesis of consultation with Regional Seas Programmes;
4. Partnership draft Terms of Reference;
5. Partnership draft Work Programme 2014-15.

Workshop Agenda Thursday 3 October

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Presenter/Moderator</i>
11:00	Opening, Introductory Remarks	J. Tamelander
	Introduction of participants	
	Review of session agenda, objectives, documents	
	The coral reef crisis: current trends, international obligations and targets	R. Kenchington
	Regional needs and priorities: overview of findings from consultation with Regional Seas programmes	R. Kenchington
	Partnership overview: origins, development process, partnership structure and themes	J. Tamelander
13:00	LUNCH	
14:00	Moderated discussion to seek further/broader input on priorities, needs and activities. Theme 1: Management for Resilient Coral Reefs; Theme 2: Sustaining coral reef ecosystem services, businesses and livelihoods; Theme 3: Data and information for coral reef policy	
15:30	BREAK	
16:00	...Moderated discussion continued Identifying existing resources, tools or guidelines that can be adapted and applied through the partnership; Statements by workshop participants; Overview of UNEP marine and coastal EBM initiatives; Partnership governance arrangements and implementation modalities.	
	Synthesis of discussion and inputs for session Friday 4 October	R. Kenchington
18:00	CLOSE	

Workshop Agenda, Friday 4 October

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Presenter/Moderator</i>
14:00	Opening and Introductory Remarks	J. Tamelander
	Introduction of participants	
	Overview of agenda	J. Tamelander
	Reporting from Workshop on Thursday 3 October: Specific recommendations in relation to partnership themes and activities, presentation of revised work programme; Institutional partnerships and ongoing efforts towards achieving partnership objectives; Recommendations on process for identifying relevant tools and resources that can be adapted and applied through the partnership; Discussion	R. Kenchington
15:30	BREAK	
16:00	... session continues	
	Partnership Terms of Reference: Specific recommendations in relation to partnership structure and governance	J. Tamelander
	Synthesis and conclusions: Amended Work Programme and Terms of Reference Next steps: Launching the partnership; outreach; other needs	
	Concluding remarks	
18:00	CLOSE	