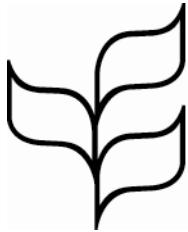




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CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP FOR SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES IN THE PACIFIC REGARDING AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGET 9 ON INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES

Apia, Samoa, 8-12 August 2016

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

1. Article 8(h) of the Convention on Biological Diversity states that “each Contracting Party shall, as far as possible and as appropriate, prevent the introduction of, control or eradicate those alien species which threaten ecosystems, habitats or species”. The Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 associated with 20 Aichi Biodiversity Targets (decision X/2) contains a specific target on invasive alien species that, by 2020, invasive alien species and pathways are identified and prioritized, priority species are controlled or eradicated and measures are in place to manage pathways to prevent their introduction and establishment (Aichi Biodiversity Target 9).

2. In addition to decision X/2 of the Conference of the Parties, adopted in 2010, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015, contained a target (15.8) on invasive alien species to introduce, by 2020, measures to prevent the introduction and significantly reduce the impact of invasive alien species on land and water ecosystems, and control or eradicate the priority species.

3. The Conference of the Parties, at its twelfth meeting, requested the Executive Secretary to facilitate, through technical and scientific cooperation in line with Article 18 of the Convention, the development and implementation of regional projects to manage those pathways and invasive or potentially invasive species that have been identified as priorities at the regional level, for example, through the proposed international islands initiative for achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 9 on invasive alien species (decision XII/17, para. 9 (a)).

4. Accordingly, the Executive Secretary notified Parties under the category of small island developing States of a capacity-building workshop for the small island developing States of the Pacific and the Indian Ocean to support implementation of activities on invasive alien species referenced in notifications 2015-109, 2015-120 and 2016-076 to invite relevant Parties to nominate up to three representatives who can meet the following criteria:

(a) An expert in the area of invasive alien species with the ability to develop projects and implement the proposed projects to achieve Target 9 at the national or regional level;

(b) An expert in a position to endorse/submit national project proposals to various financial mechanisms to implement the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and achieve Aichi Biodiversity Target 9;

(c) An expert from a phytosanitary authority (national plant protection organization) in a position to prepare/submit national project proposals to various financial mechanisms to facilitate implementation of the World Trade Organization Agreement on Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures.

5. With generous financial support from the Government of Japan and both financial and technical support from the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environmental Programme (SPREP), the Executive Secretary is organizing a capacity-building workshop for the small island developing States of the Pacific and the Africa, Indian Ocean, Mediterranean and South China Sea regions to support implementation to achieve Aichi Biodiversity Target 9 on Invasive Alien Species, which will be held in Apia, Samoa, from 8 to 12 August 2016.

6. The workshop will be held at:

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7. The registration desk will be open at 8:30 a.m. at the Tanoa Tusitala Hotel. Participants will receive a USB key containing country dossiers prepared by the Secretariat providing information on the status of invasive alien species and their management practices in each country. Participants are expected to review the status of their own countries prior to the start of the meeting.

8. To facilitate exchange of information on national policy, experiences and successes and lessons learned, participants are encouraged to bring with them materials that can be shared. Such materials may include: booklets, posters, videos, scientific publications, including results of risk analysis, and other tools for invasive alien species management.

ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE WORKSHOP AND ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

9. The meeting will be opened at 9:00 am on Monday, 28 October 2015. The representatives of the Government of Samoa will welcome the participants and make opening statements. A representative of the Secretariat of CBD will deliver the statement of the Executive Secretary.

10. After a brief self-introduction by participants and resource persons, participants will be invited to consider the provisional agenda prepared by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/IAS/CW/2016/1/1), adopt it following any amendments, if needed.

ITEM 2. SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS

11. A representative of the Secretariat of CBD will explain the background and expected outcomes of this workshop, which include:

(a) Results-based management of invasive alien species programme/projects in small island developing States;

- (b) Targeted funding opportunities to be considered during the workshop;
- (c) Collaborative and comprehensive approach in small island developing States to formulate programme/projects – International Islands Initiative for Achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 9;
- (d) Expected regionally harmonized implementation with resource mobilization, technical and scientific cooperation and participatory process.

12. All resource persons will be invited to highlight their expertise briefly and offer support in their specific area during the workshop.

13. There will be several “smart lunch” events during the workshop. Useful presentations and demonstrations from resource persons will be made during lunch hours. All participants will be invited to join these lunchtime events, and Parties are welcome to make presentations or disseminate information on their best practices during smart lunches.

(a) Introduction of Parties’ representatives, partners and collaborative experts

14. Mr. Greg Sherley (resource person) will briefly summarize the previous invasive alien species management projects conducted in the region.

15. Mr. David Moverley (SPREP) will briefly introduce a case study of the Pacific regional project formulation that was submitted to GEF (Project Identification Form or PIF).

16. After each presentation, participants sitting in proximity will freely discuss the following:

- (a) The consequence/impact of the previous/ongoing projects, the information in country dossiers and their own experiences;
- (b) The strength of previous projects/a case study and possible continuity or improvement;
- (c) The relevance to national biodiversity strategies and action plans or other national priority.

17. After this session, participants will be organized in groups to work in a flexible manner. Groupings will be based on the subject or geographic proximity depending on the topic of discussion. Once a group is set, a chair and rapporteur will be identified by the group members. The group chairs and rapporteurs will be tasked with keeping records and making presentations to the plenary, as appropriate. The presentations of each group should be in electronic form, and the files should be shared with the Secretariat of CBD so that the work can be incorporated into the report of the workshop.

(b) Talking with neighbouring countries – Group work

18. In this session, participants will be grouped according to neighbouring countries. Each group will review the past achievements and lessons learned in the Pacific on invasive alien species management, referring to the terminal evaluation of past projects and the country dossiers. Discussion will focus on achievements and the strengths of the region in order to determine the framework for future programme/project formulation.

19. Participants will also exchange country perspectives on weaknesses to identify a country’s requirements for a successful project with neighbouring countries and resource persons.

(c) Evaluation of existing technical capacity and capacity required to achieve Target 9 – Group work

20. Participants will consider what technical and scientific capacity is needed for achieving Aichi Biodiversity Target 9 (Identification and prioritization of invasive alien species and pathways; control or eradication of priority species; and measures to be in place). Participants will then analyse existing capacity at the national and regional levels. If further capacity development is considered to be required, this will provide discussion points for the next session.

(d) Identification of key elements for capacity development programme/project formulation for the next five to seven years – Group work

21. Participants will identify key elements for capacity development programme/projects that are achievable in the next five to seven years. Some examples are: regional harmonization on preventive measures; control/eradication of priority invasive alien species; pathway management; regional surveillance, etc.

22. Participants will also identify key partners (national and international) for capacity development to maximize the existing capacity and fill any gaps in capacity.

23. If identified key elements require supports from international community to develop, each group should create a list of questions to ask a panel of resource persons later.

(e) Question time for panel of resource persons

24. Participants will be invited to ask questions on funding opportunities, technical and scientific cooperation or any other matter for the purpose of realizing the key elements identified in the previous session. A panel will be assembled consisting of resource persons and representatives from the following organizations: Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme; Secretariat of the Pacific Community; BirdLife International; Island Conservation; International Union for Conservation of Nature, Global Biodiversity Information Facility and the Secretariat of CBD.

25. Based on the key elements and collaborative partners for capacity development identified, participants will be invited to organize groups for further discussion on opportunities related to funding and technical and scientific cooperation in this session and to continue discussion for formulation of programme/projects. The groups may continue to work together during and after the workshop, as appropriate.

(f) Programme/projects concept formulation – Group work

26. Participants will discuss which type of funding stream should be targeted in terms of designing projects to attain each element of needed capacity development. Participants will then begin discussing concepts for the formulation of programmes or projects, taking into account the key elements for capacity development in the next five to seven years.

27. If any funded or unfunded project exists, Parties involved in such projects can, as an option for this session, organize a group to follow up on the preparation of project proposals under GEF-6 to respond to the review and to improve the project proposals submitted and take logical framework approach.

(g) Presentation of programme/project concept by each group – Plenary

28. Prior to presentation of the work on programme/project concept by each group, the Secretariat of CBD will briefly provide some guidance for developing a logical framework.

29. Each group will then be invited to present the work done on the concept.

30. All participants, including resource persons, will then be invited to ask questions and provide each group with suggestions in order to improve the concept in view of the logical framework approach.

(h) Refining programme/projects (logical framework approach) – Group work

31. Based on the discussion in the sessions described above, each group will work on refining programme/project concepts with the information, for example, on national biodiversity strategies and action plans, existing legislation relevant to invasive alien species, national reports and other assumptions that may relate to the programme/project to be proposed. Risks associated with the programme/project should be identified at this stage.

(i) Drafting proposals – Group work

32. The groups will continue to work on draft proposals or continue to refine the logical framework which provides draft proposals with substantive components. The work in this session should also elaborate timeframes for action in the succeeding 12 months to submit proposals to targeted donors.

(j) Review of outputs of the workshop and next steps - Plenary

33. Each group will be invited to present to the plenary the draft proposal or completed logical framework and actions to be taken in the next 12 months. The presentation and relevant files should be submitted to the Secretariat of CBD on site.

ITEM 3. OTHER MATTERS

34. Any other matters will be considered under this agenda item.

ITEM 4. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

35. The workshop is expected to close at 5 p.m. on Friday, 12 August 2016.

*Annex***PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK**

Monday, 8 August 2016	
8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Registration
9:00 - 10 a.m.	<p>Opening remarks by the Government of Samoa and the Secretariat of CBD</p> <p>Organizational matters</p> <p>Self-introduction of participants</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Junko Shimura, Programme Officer (SCBD)</i></p>
10 - 11 a.m.	<p>Introduction of Parties' representatives, partners and collaborative experts</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Paul Bolger (Consultant)</i></p> <p><i>Presenters: Greg Sherley (resource person), David Moverley (SPREP)</i></p>
11 - 11:15 a.m.	Coffee break
11:15 a.m.-1 p.m.	Talking with neighbouring countries - Group work
1 - 2 p.m.	“Smart lunch”
2 - 3:30 p.m.	<p>Evaluation of existing technical capacity and capacity required to achieve Target 9 – Group work</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Lesio Saurara (SPC) and Greg Sherley (resource person)</i></p>
3:30 - 3:45 p.m.	Coffee break
3:45 - 5 p.m.	<p>Evaluation of existing technical capacity and capacity required to achieve Target 9 – Group work</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Lesio Saurara (SPC) and Greg Sherley (resource person)</i></p>
Tuesday, 9 August 2016	
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.	<p>Identification of key elements for capacity development programme/project formulation for the next five to seven years – Group work</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Greg Sherley (resource person) and David Moverley (SPREP)</i></p>
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Coffee break
10:45 a.m.- 1 p.m.	Continuation of the work
1 - 2 p.m.	“Smart lunch”

2 - 3:30 p.m.	Question time for panel of resource persons <i>Panel members: Lesio Saurara (SPC), Raymond Nias (Island Conservation), David Moverley (SPREP), Shyama Pagad, (IUCN/GBIF), Steve Cranwell (BirdLife), Greg Sherley (resource person), Paul Bolger (consultant), Junko Shimura (SCBD)</i>
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
3:45 - 5 p.m.	Programme/project concept formulation – Group work
Wednesday, 10 August 2016	
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Presentation of programme/project concept by each group – Plenary <i>Q &A: All participants</i>
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45a.m.- 1 p.m.	Presentation of programme/project concept by each group - Plenary <i>Q &A: All participants</i>
1 – 2 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
2 - 3:30 p.m.	Refining programme/projects (logical framework approach) – Group work
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
3:45 - 5 p.m.	Refining programme/projects (logical framework approach) – Group work
Thursday, 11 August 2016	
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Drafting proposals – Group work
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 a.m.- 1 p.m.	Drafting proposals – Group work
1 - 2 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
2 - 3:30 p.m.	Drafting proposals – Group work
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
3:45 - 5 p.m.	Drafting proposals – Group work
Friday, 12 August 2016	
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Drafting proposals (wrapping up) – Group work
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 a.m.- 1 p.m.	Drafting proposals (wrapping up) – Group work

1 - 2 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
2 - 3:30 p.m.	Review of outputs of the workshop and next steps - Plenary <i>Facilitator: Junko Shimura (SCBD)</i>
3:30 - 3:45 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
3:45 - 5 p.m.	Other matters
5 p.m.	Closure of the meeting