

ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION 2013
2nd OCEAN AND FISHERIES WORKING GROUP MEETING
Medan, Indonesia
23-25 June 2013

Day 1: 23 June 2013

Sixteen APEC Economies attended: Australia; Chile; People's Republic of China; Hong Kong, China; Indonesia; Japan; Republic of Korea; New Zealand, Papua New Guinea; Peru, the Philippines, the Russian Federation; Chinese Taipei; Thailand; the United States; and Viet Nam. Non-member participants included the Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the World Wildlife Fund (WWF); and APEC observers included representatives from the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC) and the Policy Partnership for Food Security (PPFS). The meeting was chaired by the OFWG Lead Shepherd Mr. Greg Schneider of the United States. A list of participants is at **Attachment A**.

I. Session 1 - Opening Session

- A. Official Opening of the 2nd OFWG Meeting: Mr. Greg Schneider, Senior Trade Specialist at the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration – National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA/NMFS) of the United States, welcomed OFWG economies to Medan, Indonesia.
- B. Welcome and Opening Remarks: Mr. Sjarief Widjaja, the Secretary General of the Indonesian Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, made the opening remarks and welcomed economies to Medan for the 2nd meeting of the OFWG. In his remarks, Mr. Widjaja reiterated the importance of APEC Economies commitment to manage and develop Oceans, Seas and Coastal Resources sustainably according to the Bali Plan of Action and the Paracas Declaration.
- C. Appointment of rapporteur. China, Indonesia, the Russian Federation, and the United States volunteered to serve on a drafting committee to ensure development of the meeting summary report. The United States coordinated the drafting committee.
- D. Adoption of Agenda: The Lead Shepherd invited comments on the draft OFWG meeting Agenda. Indonesia asked to add three additional items to the agenda. The Lead Shepherd asked Indonesia for the distribution of any accompanying documents. The revised agenda was updated and accepted. A copy of the final agenda is at **Attachment B**.

II. Session 11 – Developments in APEC

- A. Summary of APEC leaders meeting 2012: The Russian Federation reported on the APEC leaders meeting from 2012. The Russian Federation highlighted discussions on the importance of trade and environmental services, blue economy, food security, IUU fishing, and the illegal trade of marine biological resources. The Russian Federation also reported that Leaders stressed focusing on establishing reliable and smart supply chains using modern technologies.
- B. The OFWG Deputy Lead Shepherd Mr. Anang Noegroho reported on the Outcomes of SOM Steering Committee on ECOTECH Committee of the Whole (SCE-COW) meeting on mainstreaming ocean-related issues held in Jakarta, 4 February 2013. The report highlighted the support and relevance of addressing oceans as a cross cutting issue within APEC and gave an overview of Indonesia's proposal to elevate ocean issues using the "Mainstreaming Oceans issues Action Plan". Several economies and ABAC supported the need for mainstreaming ocean issues within APEC and acknowledged the difficulty of accomplishing this especially in the area of food security. A suggestion for future action was improved coordination with the Policy Partnership for Food Security (PPFS) to elevate the importance of fisheries and aquaculture to food security. Indonesia hoped that the proposed "Mainstreaming Oceans Issues paper tabled by Indonesia would be reviewed by economies during and after the meeting as a way to advance efforts and connect and elevate ocean discussions in APEC.

III. Session III - Information sharing

- A. Delegates from several economies present provided brief reports on key issues facing their economies and recent progress made on issues relevant to the OFWG. Members reported on progress made in areas of sustainable fisheries and aquaculture, marine conservation, domestic legislation, and international cooperation. Some economies also provided written Economy Reports to the Secretariat.

IV. Session IV – Strategic Priority Areas

A. Increase the Effectiveness of OFWG Operations – 2013 Work Plan and Strategic Plan

- The United States provided a summary of the OFWG Strategic Plan. In addition, the United States provided clarification on some questions and confusions about the Strategic Plan process, highlighting that the drafting and clearing process was compressed during the intersessional period and that the Strategic Plan is a living document. It was also noted that the Critical Success Factors were drafted following the former Marine Resource Conservation Working Group Strategic Plan format rather than the format from the Fisheries Working Group, a format that other working groups also use. Economies were asked to provide further comments and suggestions for improvements to the United States as the Plan continues to be refined. Economies discussed the plan, asked questions, and provided suggestions.
- 2014 Work Plan: The Lead Shepherd noted that the 2014 Work Plan would need to be developed during the intersessional period and asked that economies keep this in mind and begin to think of ideas.

B. Strategic Priority Areas – Projects and Capacity Building

- i. Blue Economy: China and Indonesia each presented summaries of Blue Economy concepts and models, emphasizing the need for APEC to take a holistic approach to achieving sustainable development.
- China gave a report on the self-funded APEC project, the ‘2nd Blue Economy Forum’, held in Tianjin in December 2013, including the main outcomes. China also introduced elaborated and answered questions on the proposed APEC Blue Economy Model Program Initiative Phase I. The representative from the Secretariat noted that a decision from the Budget and Management Committee (BMC) regarding funding is expected by mid-July. Regardless of BMC’s decision, China indicated that they would still proceed with the project through self funding. Several economies lauded China’s efforts in this area and noted that many other working groups have relevant work, depending on each individual economy’s definition of blue economy. Given the lack of a blue economy definition and the need to better mainstream ocean issues, China was encouraged to also distribute this project proposal to other working groups now, with the help of the Secretariat.
 - Indonesia proposed that the adoption of blue economy principles on ocean-based economic development is suitable to respond to the fact that the vast ocean and coastal economic potential needs to be wisely developed to improve the prosperity of the people by applying the precautionary approach in order to protect the environment as part of achieving sustainable development goals. This is model is based on work by Gunter Pauly. Indonesia highlighted work in their Blue Economy Zone in Nusa Penida, Bali.
- ii. The Lead Shepherd reminded delegates that the ranking system currently in place for APEC proposal funding puts the oceans-related activities of the OFWG at a disadvantage vis-à-vis project proposals from other working groups, and that the OFWG needs to think collectively and strategically about how to advance ocean and fisheries issues within APEC, whether through self-fund APEC projects or pursuit of external partnerships with other APEC committees or working groups, civil society, the private sector or NGOs. The representative from the Secretariat highlighted that the OFWG is competing for a

- limited pool of funds as several other groups have designated sub-funds. Economies and NGOs commented on the desire to develop more partnerships and try to reduce duplicative efforts with outside organizations such as the Asian Development Bank, World Bank, and Food and Agriculture Organization.
- iii. The Republic of Korea requested the APEC Secretariat to provide successful cases of other APEC working groups' external funding or voluntary contributions to APEC OFWG economies.

Day 2: 24 June 2013

A. Promoting Free and Open Trade and Investment:

The Lead Shepherd opened the session, addressing the four substantive subject matter areas highlighted in the OFWG Strategic Plan by advising delegates that OFWG outputs must be well aligned with the larger APEC priorities as expressed by Ministers and should add value in a crowded regional and global policy environment.

- A representative of the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC) gave an overview of the structure and objectives of ABAC and highlighted the challenge of elevating fisheries and aquaculture within food security discussions, for example at the PPFS where discussions and statements are typically focused on crops and farming. The Lead Shepherd asked how the OFWG could better engage with ABAC. After a sharing of ideas between ABAC and economies, it was suggested that the OFWG could send the 2014 Work Plan to ABAC before the ISOM in December/January. It was also noted that the OFWG should encourage, as ABAC has done, that PPFS and other meetings be scheduled well in advance to avoid any overlap of cross-cutting meeting sessions and ensure attendance of relevant partners.
- The Nature Conservancy presented an overview on their principles and work related to sustainable fisheries and conservation and provided recommendations to the OFWG for future directions.
- During the open discussion section, several economies noted that IUU fishing, wildlife trafficking and traceability were important issues that could be addressed under this Strategic Plan pillar. The group agreed to think more about these issues as the Strategic Plan continues to be revised and as the 2014 Work Plan is developed.

B. Advance Sustainable Development and Protection of the Marine Environment

Nine economies presented on this topic.

- China presented on the progress of the APEC Marine Sustainable Development Report which they hope will be used by APEC leaders to inform future policy considerations. Some economies asked questions and expressed concerns on two topics within the report: the Blue Economy and the Ocean Health Index (OHI).
- After the lunch break, China reported on the lunchtime meeting of the drafting group of the APEC Marine Sustainable Development Report, noting that two sections in the report (Blue Economy and the Ocean Health Index (OHI)) had not yet been endorsed. The Report framework presented earlier in the day was circulated and economies endorsed the content except for the modifications of the Blue Economy and OHI parts. The drafting group sought comments from OFWG members on the two outstanding issues. With that additional information, the OFWG endorsed the report framework outside of those two sections and asked that economies provide modifications and or feedback on the two outstanding sections within one week of the OFWG meeting so that drafting can move forward. The drafting group is still open to nominations and welcomes experts to join the drafting committee. After the OFWG reaches a resolution on the two outstanding sessions, the drafting committee will draft the report and circulate it through the APEC Secretariat by December 2013.

- China provided a report on the outcomes from the “Marine Spatial Planning Training Workshop” which was held in Xiamen, September 2012. China also discussed the outlook for the APEC funded project on “Advanced Training on Marine Spatial Planning for the Pacific Rim”, to be held in Xiamen, September 2013. Discussions after the presentations highlighted the suggestion to ensure that economies select trainees based on benefits to professional development and direct management responsibilities.
- WWF-International gave a presentation entitled “Protecting the Oceans, Sustaining People”. The presentation highlighted how trade projects can help oceans and sustain people. The group had several suggestions for future priority topics: integrated ocean management, traceability, development and trade of lower trophic species, and payment for ecosystem services.
- Indonesia presented a proposal for an APEC Ocean and Fisheries Information Centre (AOFIC) to be located in Perancak, Bali. This would be a regional center; scientists and policy makers from APEC economies would be invited to collaborate with the center to share and exchange relevant information on ocean and fisheries. Discussion highlighted the need for the center to integrate with other ongoing regional and global data collection efforts. No economies objected to the proposal, so it was endorsed.
- Chinese Taipei reported on the 13th Roundtable Meeting on the Involvement of the Business - Private Sector in the Sustainability of the Marine Environment. This is a self-funded initiative. Topics covered included: (1) ICZM (2) Wetland Conservation (3) Deep sea conservation and management and (4) Marine Ecosystem Services. Chinese Taipei then sought endorsement for the 14th APEC roundtable that will take place this year and a 15th APEC Roundtable to be held in Taipei. The Lead Shepherd suggested that future roundtable topics could align with the pillars of the Strategic Plan, a suggestion that was favorably supported by the group. With that suggestion, the general idea of the roundtables was endorsed.
- The United States reported on Phase 4 of the Large Marine Ecosystems Program.
- Korea reported on the Ocean Health Index (OHI), which was published in the journal *Nature* in 2012. Because the OHI is sensitive to missing data, the Republic of Korea suggests all economies consider this limitation especially in regards to its inclusion in the Marine Sustainable Development Report.
- The Lead Shepherd opened the floor for general discussions on this topic. The United States suggested a potential prioritization of topics that might align better with APEC goals. Indonesia proposed a draft Leaders’ Statements for the upcoming meeting in Bali, and suggested a ‘Friends of the Chair’ meeting to assist in drafting statements for the Leader’s meeting. The United States and China volunteered to join the Friends of the Chair group. Questions were also raised about coral trade and export by Thailand and it was suggested that the sharing of information and best practices on this topic could be discussed further by the group.
- The Secretariat provided an overview of the funding ranking system. It is clear that it is very difficult for OFWG projects to receive funding because they nearly always fall in Rank 2 or lower. The Secretariat suggests that OFWG partner with other working groups that are more successful in having their proposals in the Rank 1. The PowerPoint presentation is available. Economies discussed possibilities for self-funding and establishing partnerships.

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C. Strengthen Food Security

- Representatives of the PPFS Working Group 2 (Agriculture and Fisheries) outlined the structure of the four PPFS working groups with an emphasis on Working Group 2. It was noted that the PPFS definition of “farmer” is meant to include fishers and those involved in aquaculture. In response, OFWG delegates highlighted the fundamental difference between ‘farmers’ and ‘fishers’, and asked

PPFS to reconsider their definitions and coordinate on this issue with the OFWG. Further formal collaborations between PPFS and OFWG –including the establishment of the “Friends of the PPFS Working Group 2” which includes members from PPFS and OFWG and inclusion of the OFWG Lead Shepherd and Deputy Lead Shepherd in future PPFS communications – was endorsed.

- Japan presented on the conservation and management of the Japanese eel (*Anguilla japonica*) and other relevant eel species. The catch of glass eel has declined in Japan, China, and Chinese Taipei over the past 10 years possibly due to (1) overharvest, (2) habitat degradation, and (3) oceanographic change. Taking into account such a situation, the three economies initiated *Informal Consultations on International Cooperation for Conservation and Management of the Japanese Eel*. Two meetings were held last year in Japan and the Philippines, and one was held in China in May 2013. The next meeting will be in September. The three economies will continue discussions on conservation and management of Japanese eel and other relevant eel species.
- Peru presented on the *Potential Contribution for Small Pelagic Fish (SPF) to Food Security in the Asia Pacific Region*. SPF play an important role in human health providing vital nutrients, and make up nearly half of the total catch in the Philippines and Indonesia, however some important SPF stocks are declining. Peru is working with the Philippines and Indonesia to improve value addition. Next steps in this project include a workshop on fisheries statistics, and work on improving monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS). Indonesia recommended that the aforementioned workshop theme could cover data management system, including log books and observers on-board fishing and carrier vessels.
- The Russian Federation presented on their fisheries vessel monitoring system. Collaborations exist among vessels and enterprises, state departments and fish science institutions. Data are used by several institutions with interests in economics, security, defense, and fisheries productivity and sustainability. The main objectives proposed for 2013-15 focus on electronic data collection (electronic fisheries logbooks), analysis and reporting.
- The Russian Federation presented a proposal on the effectiveness of bilateral international agreements on counteraction of IUU fishing conducted by vessels under flags of convenience (FOC). IUU fishing by FOC vessels cause serious economic, social, and environmental damage to fisheries. Positive steps that APEC members can take to combat IUU fishing could include the adoption of regional standards and regional agreements to combat IUU fishing and agreement on port state measures. The Lead shepherd asked for two co-sponsors for Russia’s proposal. The United States and Indonesia agreed to cosponsor and there were no objections.
- The Lead Shepherd led an open conversation on ‘Food Security’. Economies highlighted the importance of participating in the OFWG meeting by PPFS members; as well as discussing ocean issues within other working groups; the need to improve the involvement of the private sector in developing APEC action plans related to food security; the importance of domestic small scale fishers; the need to better define who will coordinate the work of the PPFS and OFWG; and the importance of work in areas related to traceability of fish products to legal and sustainable sources and food safety.

D. Understanding the impacts of Climate change

- The Philippines government presented on the “Ridge to Reef” approach to dealing with climate change. Delegates from the Philippines highlighted programs such as the (1) National Ecosavers Program; (2) the National Integrated Coastal Management Program (NICMP) which focuses on sustainable development and alignment with national and regional strategies; and (3) the Sustainable Coral Reef Ecosystem Management Program (SCREMP) – a national program for 2012-2020 that follows the CTI plan of action. The Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is also working on an innovative study with multiple partners for sustainable development and environmental protection.

- Indonesia presented on their Blue Carbon Initiative. Indonesia has the largest mangrove ecosystem in the world by far, representing 22.6% of the global total. In 2010, a Blue Carbon Center was established at Indonesia's Agency for Marine Fisheries Research and Development. Ongoing project sites (which started in 2010) include Tanjung Lesung and Banten Bay (in Eastern Java), Bali, and Derawan. The next phase (until 2016) includes Natuna Island, Tomini Bay, Raja Ampat and Arafura. USAID funds the Perancak Estuary mangrove restoration in Bali. The Indonesia National Plan of Action on Blue Carbon is expected to be completed in Oct. 2013. Indonesia is also involved in "Blue Forests", a GEF-UNEP project (duration: 2014-2018).

V. Session V - Looking Ahead

- Indonesia presented their "Work plan for Mainstreaming Ocean Issues" within APEC document and invited input and collaboration from OFWG economies and observers. Indonesia intends to propose this document as an appendix to the 2013 APEC Ministers' meeting outcomes document.
- Indonesia presented the draft language for the 2013 APEC Leaders' Statement which was drafted by the Friends of the Lead Shepherd's Group (the United States, Indonesia and China). Some minor edits to the text were proposed and accepted by members. The proposed language will be put forward to the SOM Chairs on behalf of the OFWG and individual economies were also encouraged to bring this up through their Senior Officials.
- China presented on the proposal for an APEC Ocean-related Ministerial Meeting (AOMM) in 2014 in China. Discussion was lively and comments ranged from full support to questions about the preparation of the meeting agenda, planning and meeting timelines, and the possible engagement of other APEC sub-fora. China responded that the OFWG is the only group being asked to review the proposal thus far and that they welcome feedback on the possible agenda from member economies. After this feedback is received during the intersessional period, China agreed to explore reaching out to other working groups, with the help of the Secretariat. The general proposal to host a ministerial was endorsed by the OFWG, although the theme and topics of AOMM4 are still open for further discussion and future endorsement.
- The Drafting Committee reported the process by which the meeting Summary Report will be reviewed by the drafting committee and endorsed by the OFWG economies intersessionally.
- The Lead Shepherd presented and summarized the statement to the SCE by the OFWG (which is part of the reporting requirements by all SCE sub fora to SCE to be tabled at the SCE meeting in Medan) and asked for comments from the APEC economies. Some economies provided minor changes, and the document was finally adopted. A copy of the document is at **Attachment C**.

VI. Closing session

- Secretariat presented the classification list for the official documents tabled at the meeting for members' review and approval.
- Indonesia delivered a closing statement.
- The Lead Shepherd delivered closing comments and officially closed the 2nd Meeting of the OFWG at 6:10 PM, 25 June 2013.

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ATTACHMENT B

Agenda

**ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION
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Day 1: 23 June 2013

09:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Session I - Opening Session

- A. Welcoming Remarks by Mr. Greg Schneider, Lead Shepherd of the OFWG. Introduction of new Deputy Lead Shepherd of the OFWG, Mr. Anang Noegroho. (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- B. Opening of the APEC 2nd Oceans and Fisheries Working Group meeting by Mr. Sjarief Widjaja, the Secretary General of the Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries from Indonesia.
- C. Appointment of rapporteur, and formation of committee to assist with drafting of Summary Report (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- D. Adoption of the Agenda (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

OFWG Delegates Group Photo Session

10:00-10:30 a.m. - Coffee Break

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Session II – Developments in APEC

- A. Overview of Outcomes of APEC Leaders Meeting 2012 and implications for OFWG (Russia)
- B. Report on **SCE1 2013 Outcomes, Dialogue on Mainstreaming Ocean Issues**, and other host economy initiatives (OFWG Deputy Lead Shepherd/Indonesia)

Session III - Information Sharing

- A. Information Sharing by APEC Economies
 - APEC member economies are invited to make brief updates on relevant ocean-related issues in their economies (**Chile, Chinese Taipei; Hong Kong, China; Russia; Thailand and Korea**)

12:30-2:30 p.m. – Lunch

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Session IV - Strategic Priority Areas

- A. Increase the Effectiveness of OFWG Operations

1. 2013 Work Plan and Strategic Plan
 - a. Discussion of progress on implementing the **OFWG 2013 Annual Work Plan** (OFWG Lead Shepherd). *Document was tabled at SCE COW meeting in February 2013.*
 - b. Review of progress on **OFWG Strategic Plan 2013-2015** (Drafting Team Leader - US).
 - c. Discussion of development of 2014 OFWG Annual Work Plan (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

3:30- 4:00 p.m. - Coffee Break

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

B. Projects and Capacity Building

- a. Report on 2nd APEC Blue Economy Forum” self-funded project (China)
- b. Presentation on Sustainable marine and fisheries development to support food security based on the principles of Blue Economy (Indonesia)
- c. OFWG Strategic Approach to Capacity Building - Looking Inward to Identify Opportunities to Align OFWG Priorities with APEC Priorities (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- d. Beyond Projects - Identifying other Tangible, Actionable Opportunities to Advance and Elevate OFWG Priorities within APEC (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

Day 1 – Closing remarks

- Any logistical information to be shared by the host economy (Indonesia)
- Day 1 Concluding Remarks (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

5:30-6:30 p.m. - Drafting Committee meeting

Day 2: 24 June 2013

9:00 -10:30 a.m.

Session IV - Strategic Priority Areas - Continued

A. Promote Free and Open Trade and Investment

1. David Dodwell of the **APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC)**, to make remarks explaining the role of ABAC. (*Note: we will turn to this item at such time as the ABAC representative is available.*)
2. Presentation by **Bill Raynor**, Director, Indo-Pacific Division, **The Nature Conservancy** on “Towards Sustainable and Resilient Fisheries Trade: Plan for Action” (The Nature Conservancy) (10 minutes)
3. Dialogue on status and **future of OFWG work** relating to this priority area (*Note: Lead Shepherd will present a discussion paper on Promoting Free and Open Trade and Investment.*) (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

10:30-11:00 - Coffee break

11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

B. Advance Sustainable Development and the Protection of the Marine Environment

1. Report on progress on the “APEC Marine Sustainable Development Report” (China) (10 minutes)
2. Report on progress of implementation of APEC-funded project S OFWG 01 2012A "Advanced Training on Marine Spatial Planning for the Pacific Rim" (China) (10 minutes)
3. Presentation by representative of the **World Wildlife Fund** on “Achieving Sustainable Use of Marine Resources through Integrated Ocean Management for the Benefit of People – The Blue Economy” (WWF International) (10 minutes)
4. Presentation by Indonesia on APEC Oceans and Fisheries information Centre.

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. - Lunch

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

5. Report on outcomes of self-funded project OFWG 03/2012S “**13th APEC Roundtable Meeting on the Involvement of the Business/Private Sector** in the Sustainability of the Marine Environment” (Chinese Taipei) (10 minutes)
6. Report on progress of implementation of APEC-funded project S OFWG 01/2013 “Marine Ecosystem Assessment and Management in the Asia-Pacific Region, Phase IV” (United States) (10 minutes)
7. Dialogue on status and **future of OFWG work** relating to this priority area (*Note: Lead Shepherd to present discussion paper on Sustainable Development and Protection of the Marine Environment.*) (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
8. Presentation by Korea on the Oceans Health Index (10 minutes).

Day 2 – Closing remarks

- Logistical information to be shared by the host economy (Indonesia)
- Day 2 Concluding Remarks (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

5:30-6:30 p.m. - Drafting Committee meeting

Day 3: 25 June 2012

9:00 -10:30 a.m.

Session IV - Strategic Priority Areas - Continued

C. Strengthen Food Security

1. Remarks by representative of the **APEC Policy Partnership on Food Security** (PPFS), on the work of the PPFS. (*Note: this item will be discussed as such time as the PPFS representative is available.*) (10 minutes) **TBC**
2. Report on Conservation and Management of Japanese Eel (Japan) (10 minutes)

3. Report on outcomes of completed APEC-funded project FWG 01/2010A “Potential Contribution of Small Pelagic Fish to Food Security within the Asia-Pacific Region” **(Peru)** *Note: This project has been completed. The Project Report (Publication Number: APEC#213-OF-01.1) is available on the APEC Publications Database (10 minutes)*
4. Presentation by Russia on establishing in the Russian Federation of a system of surveillance over the activities of fishing vessels and monitoring of their production activities, as well as on the development and improvement of this system (Russia) (10 minutes)
5. Presentation by Russia on Implementation of Bilateral Intergovernmental Agreements on Combatting IUU Fishing: the use of certification systems or other documents testifying to the legality of the origin of catches of living marine resources and products produced from them, and its impact on the increase in economic indicators of legitimate fisheries (Russia) (10 minutes)
6. Dialogue on status and **future of OFWG work** relating to this priority area (*Note: Lead Shepherd to present a discussion paper on Strengthening Food Security*) (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

10:30-11:00 - Coffee break

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- D. Enhance Understanding of the Impacts of Climate Change
 1. Presentation by the Philippines on the Impacts of Climate Change (Philippines) (10 minutes)
 2. Presentation on “Blue Carbon Initiative” (Indonesia).
 3. Dialogue on status and future of OFWG work relating to this priority area (*Note: Lead Shepherd to present a discussion paper on Understanding the Impacts of Climate Change*) (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. - Lunch

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Session V – Looking Ahead

- A. Indonesia presentation on the “Workplan for Mainstreaming Ocean related Issues.
- B. Indonesian presentation on the draft Leaders’ statement by the OFWG.
- C. Discussion on China’s Proposal on hosting the 4th APEC Ocean related Ministerial Meeting (China)
- D. Date and Venue for the 3rd OFWG Meeting (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

3:30- 4:30 p.m. - Drafting Committee meeting

3:30- 4:30 p.m. - Coffee Break

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

- Summary Report of the 2nd OFWG Meeting
 - Discussion of the OFWG fora report to SCE (Lead shepherd)

- Discussion of Summary Report (Drafting Committee)

5:30-6:00 p.m.

Session VI - Closing Session

- A. Classification of Documents (APEC Secretariat)
- B. Logistical Information shared by the Host (Indonesia)
- C. Closing Remarks by Indonesia
- D. Closing Remarks by OFWG Lead Shepherd (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

- End -

ATTACHMENT C – OFWG SCE FORA REPORT

Executive Summary

Summary

The 2nd APEC Ocean and Fisheries Working Group (OFWG) met in Medan, Indonesia in June of 2013. In addition to member economies, the meeting included representatives from the private sector and two NGOs: The Nature Conservancy and World Wildlife Fund. Discussions were organized around the four pillars of the OFWG Strategic Plan: Food Security, Free and Open Trade and Investment, Climate Change, and Sustainable Development and Protection of the Marine Environment. Additional discussions addressed: how to improve internal OFWG operations and elevate the group's work in the broader APEC context; presentations on ideas on how to further examine the concept of "blue economy" within the OFWG; and consideration of a proposal by China to host the 4th APEC Oceans-related Ministerial Meeting (AOMM4) in 2014.

Recommendations

Many of the group's discussions highlighted the need to mainstream ocean issues in APEC to better address the cross-cutting nature of these topics and raise awareness of the key role ocean and fisheries resources play in supporting robust economies. The group recommends that communication and liaison opportunities on ocean and fisheries issues formally increase with other relevant APEC fora, such as the Policy Partnership for Food Security; the Policy Partnership for Science, Technology, and Innovation; the Committee on Trade and Investment, the Energy Working Group; the Transportation Working Group; the APEC Business Advisory Council; and other APEC groups that are undertaking issues of relevance to oceans and fisheries. In addition, despite the critical linkages to food security and trade, the group has recently struggled to gain traction on projects under the current funding criteria ranking structure. The OFWG encourages Economy representatives and the SCE-COW to consider elevating ocean and fisheries issues to Rank 1 of the funding criteria for APEC 2014. The group also hopes that 2014 meeting dates across all working groups can be determined well in advance to ensure that complementary groups do not overlap in order to enable further participation by OFWG and private sector representatives.

Endorsed/Agreed During Medan OFWG Meeting June 23-25, 2013:

- The draft framework for the Marine Sustainable Development Report, other than the "Blue Economy" and "Ocean Health Index" sections.
- The proposal from Indonesia for an APEC Ocean and Fisheries Information Center.
- The proposal for the 14th Roundtable Meeting on the Involvement of the Business/Private Sector in the Sustainability of the Marine Environment. Economies suggested that future topics align with the OFWG Priority Areas.
- OFWG participation in the Friends of PPF Working Group 2 on Agriculture and Fisheries.
- The Russian Pathfinder Interim project on Enhancement of Partnerships among APEC economies on Combating IUU Fishing and Associated Trade by Undertaking Voluntary Obligations on Nonproliferation of Flags of Convenience Practices. The United States and Indonesia agreed to co-sponsor.
- Draft language for the 2013 APEC Leaders' Statement, to be sent to the SCE for further consideration before the CSOM.
- The proposal to hold an APEC Oceans Ministerial Meeting in 2014, hosted by China. Several economies noted that the theme and topics of the 2014 APEC Oceans Ministerial Meeting are still under discussion and any constructive suggestions from member economies are highly welcomed.

Proposed Intercessional Actions:

- Review of the text to be included on "Blue Economy" and review of the exclusion of the "Ocean Health Index" sections of the Marine Sustainable Development Report within one week following the OFWG meeting.
- Sharing of information and review of the proposed APEC Ocean Ministerial Meeting timeline and proposed priority topics.

- Review of the “Mainstreaming Ocean Issues” paper tabled by Indonesia.
- Development, review, and endorsement of the 2014 OFWG Work Plan.
- Drafting, review, and endorsement of the OFWG Food Security Action Plan in coordination with PPFS.
- Review, finalize and endorse language for the 2013 APEC Leaders’ Statement.
- Provide information to ISOM about OFWG priorities.