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Purpose: Consideration
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**5th Oceans and Fisheries Working Group Meeting
Boracay, Philippines
10-12 May 2015**

ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION
5th MEETING OF THE OCEAN AND FISHERIES WORKING GROUP (OFWG)
Crown Regency Resort and Convention Centre, Station 2, Boracay Island, Philippines

10-12 May 2015

Day 1: 10 May 2015

09:00 – 09:30 a.m.

Session I - Opening Session

- A. Welcoming Remarks by OFWG Lead Shepherd
- B. Opening of the APEC 5th Oceans and Fisheries Working Group meeting by Senior Philippines' Official (TBC)
- C. Introduction of Delegation Leads (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- D. Appointment of Rapporteur (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- E. Formation of Committee to assist with drafting of Summary Report (tradition) OR Friends of the Chair to assist with drafting of Summary Report [Note: Friends of the Chair from OFWG 4: China, Japan, Peru, Philippines and United States. FotC remains open to new members.]
- F. Introduction of the Mr. Graeme Drake, Independent Assessor to undertake the 2015 Independent Assessment of the OFWG (OFWG Lead Shepherd and Secretariat)

**Note: In addition to this introduction, the Independent Assessor will endeavor to engage with each economy individually in the margins of the OFWG meeting.*

- G. Adoption of the Agenda (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

09:30-10:15 A.M. – PHOTO SESSION AND COFFEE BREAK
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10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Session II – Developments in APEC since the 4th OFWG Meeting in May 2015

- A. Overview of intersessionally endorsed actions and documents since OFWG 4 (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- B. Update on work of the Mainstreaming Ocean-Related Issues (MOI) Steering Council (Lead Shepherd)
- C. APEC Secretariat Report on Relevant Developments in APEC (Secretariat)
- D. Progress of APEC Marine Sustainable Development Center (China)

Session III - Information Sharing

- A. Information Sharing by APEC Economies (5 minutes per economy)
APEC member economies are invited to make brief updates on ocean-related issues in their economies (*Note: Economies are encouraged to submit written copies of their full updates to the working group in advance of the meeting. Economies are also still encouraged to give presentations on specific projects under the appropriate agenda item.*)

12:00-2:00 p.m. – LUNCH

2:00-4:00 p.m.

Session IV – OFWG Operations

- A. Work Plan
 - a. Discussion of progress on implementing the OFWG 2015 Annual Work Plan (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- B. Strategic Plan
 - a. Discussion and endorsement of a forward process for drafting and endorsing the next OFWG Strategic Plan (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- C. Projects
 - a. Report on outcomes from projects implemented
 - i. Chinese Taipei (OFWG 03 2013S)
 - ii. Republic of Korea (OFWG 01 2014A)
 - b. Update on current projects
 - i. Japan (OFWG 02 2014)
 - ii. United States (OFWG 03 2014)
 - c. Progress of projects submitted by the OFWG at Session 1 2015, and of any other projects under other APEC fora that may be relevant to the OFWG (Secretariat)
 - d. Discussion of any proposed new APEC-funded projects for Session 2 2015 (All Members invited to outline new project proposals)
 - i. "Capacity Building for the Establishment of Marine Biotxin Reference Laboratory" (Malaysia)
 - ii. "Papua New Guinea Food Security and Climate Resilience Programme" (Papua New Guinea)
 - iii. "Promoting Small-Scale Fishers And Fisheries Industries To The Global Value Chain" (Indonesia)
 - e. Discussion of any proposed new self-funded projects (All Members invited to outline new project proposals)
 - i. MSP Training Courses (China)

4:00- 4:30 p.m. – COFFEE BREAK

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Session V – Free and Open Trade and Investment

- A. TBC depending on interest from economies and invited guests

Session VI – Sustainable Development and Protection of the Marine Environment

- A. Update from Virtual Working Group on Marine Debris (Virtual Working Group)

- B. An overview of PEMSEA's work and the application of integrated coastal management (ICM) to oceans and fisheries (PEMSEA)
- C. TBC depending on interest from economies and invited guests

Day 1 Wrap Up

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

EVENING: OFFICIAL DINNER (Confirmed, details to follow)

Day 2: 11 May 2015

9:00 -10:30 a.m.

Session VII – Food Security

- A. Discussion and endorsement of OFWG Food Security Action Plan (United States)
- B. Practice on Coastal Eco-Aquaculture – Development of Circulating Aquaculture Model (China)
- C. Update on PPFS work (Lead Shepherd)
- D. TBC depending on interest from economies and invited guests

10:30-11:00 A.M. - COFFEE BREAK

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

Session VIII – Climate Change

- A. APEC Project (OFWG 02 2014) “Workshop on the Climate Change Impact on Oceans and Fisheries Resources” outcome (Japan)
- B. TBC depending on interest from economies and invited guests

Session IX– Blue Economy

- A. Presentation on Blue Economy (China)
- B. PEMSEA's efforts to promote blue economy through the East Asian Seas Sustainable Business Network and facilitate investment in ICM through a regional knowledge management platform being developed with World Bank (PEMSEA)
- C. TBC depending on interest from economies and invited guests

12:30-2:00 p.m. – LUNCH

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Session X– High Level Policy Dialogue on Blue Economy and Food Security (HLPD-FSBE)

- A. Update on preparations for the HLPD-FSBE in Iloilo City from 4-6 October 2015 (Philippines)
- B. Substantive Discussion of draft Document for HLPD-FSBE (Philippines)

4:00- 4:30 p.m. – COFFEE BREAK

4:30 p.m – 5:30 p.m.

Session X– High Level Policy Dialogue on Blue Economy and Food Security (continued)

- B. Substantive Discussion of draft Document for HLPD-FSBE (continued)

Day 2 Wrap Up

- Any logistical information to be shared by the Host
- Day 2 Concluding Remarks (OFWG Lead Shepherd)

Day 3: 12 May 2015

9:00 -10:30 a.m.

Special Session: Presentation by Australian Representative to the PPSTI

- A. Policy Partnership on Science, Technology and Innovation (PPSTI) Self-Funded Project entitled “Building regional ocean and land observation systems to safeguard APEC resources and communities”. (Note: this will take place on Day 3 due to the timing of the PPSTI.)

Session XI – Looking Ahead

- A. Summary Report of the 5th OFWG Meeting
 - o Discussion of Summary Report, including list of endorsed actions and agreed intersessional work

10:30-11:00 A.M. - COFFEE BREAK

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

Session XI – Looking Ahead (continued)

- o Endorsement of Summary Report (OFWG Lead Shepherd)
- B. Date and Venue for the 6th OFWG Meeting (OFWG Lead Shepherd and Peru)

Session XII - Closing Session

- A. Classification of Documents (Secretariat)
 - B. Logistical Information shared by the Host (Philippines)
 - C. Closing Remarks by Philippines' Official
 - D. Closing Remarks by OFWG Lead Shepherd
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Possible options for Day 3 afternoon (12 May):

- A. *Initial discussion on elements for the next OFWG Strategic Plan (while respecting the group's position as expressed during OFWG 4: that members wished to first reflect on the outcomes of the independent assessment before commencing actual drafting of the Strategic Plan, with the initial drafting conducted by the Friends of the Chair)*
- B. *Field Visit to OFWG-relevant activity in Boracay*