



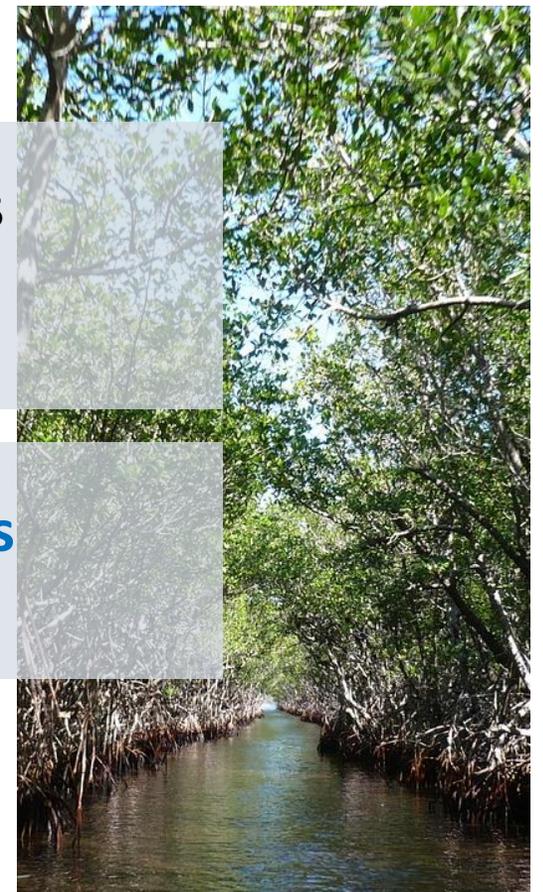
Implementing the Strategic Action Programme for the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand (SCS SAP Project)

FIRST MEETING OF REGIONAL WORKING GROUP ON MANGROVES

*Teleconference, 1 December 2021
13.00 – 17.00 Indochina time (ICT)*

9. Execution arrangement and national work plans

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RWG-M – Agreed follow up

PCU

- ✓ PCU to share NIR guidance documentation (15 March 2021 meeting)
- ✓ Revise RWG-M TORs based on comments provided. Share by 10 December, to receive final comments by 24 December and adopt via silent procedure
- ✓ Draft report of the meeting, by 17 December 2021

National level:

- ✓ Pending NIR submissions by 17 December
- ✓ Reconfirm Mangrove focal point (chairs of Mangrove committee/working group) by 17 December (if needed)
- ✓ Establish national mangrove committees/working groups and workplan of meetings. Share workplan and information on planned meetings. Recommend to include FR project experts as well as key mangrove initiatives and projects
- ✓ Establish NTWG with all habitat focal points and conduct first meeting to ensure synergies between habitats
- ✓ IMC meeting to confirm workplan and budget of NIRs
- ✓ RWG-M. 1/4 (SAP Evaluation 2008-2020) to be completed, and discussed at national mangrove committees/workshops by 31 December 2021
- ✓ RWG-M 1/5 (SAP Implementation 2021-2023) to be completed and discussed at national mangrove committees/workshops by 31 December 2021



Next steps for 2022

Key steps and meetings

- ✓ ~Jan 2022 - Legal agreements (PCA's) to be signed with each SEA
- ✓ ~February 2022 - 1st Regional Scientific and Technical Committee (RSTC), back to back with workshop/training on best-practices, tools and guidelines)
- ✓ ~April 2022 - 2nd RWG-M to discuss 1) Revision of National Mangrove reports and 2) Progress in execution of activities 3) Monitoring and data management and 4) Any revision to workplans/budget as needed 4) Compiling best-practices
- ✓ ~June 2022 - 2nd Steering Committee Meeting

Considerations

- ✓ Travel restrictions to be assessed by PCU on whether meetings in first half of 2022 can be held in person
- ✓ Request what additional support PCU can provide, identify capacity and training needs
- ✓ To review what are the key impacts to mangroves, and consider new issues such as plastics and climate change.
- ✓ PCU to compile mangrove resources from regional and global level, including UNEP and WCMC's work on mangroves
- ✓ Small Grants Program to be launched in 2022, to include mangrove restoration. NTWG & IMC to review applications

