









## INTRODUCTION

The objective of the UNEP GEF Strategic Action Programme for the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand (SCS SAP Project) is:

"To assist countries in meeting the targets of the approved Strategic Action Programme (SAP) for the marine and coastal environment of the South China Sea (SCS) through implementation of the National Action Plans in support of the SAP, and strengthening regional co-ordination for SCS SAP implementation."

Participating Countries: Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam

Implementation Agency: United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Executing Agencies: United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) and the Southeast

Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC)

Funding Agency: Global Environment Facility (GEF)

Funding: 15 million USD (with approximately 83 million USD in co-financing)

Web-links: <a href="https://scssap.org">https://scssap.org</a>

The Objective of the SCS SAP Inception Phase was further elaborate on the detailed regional and national level activities, workplan and budget of the SCS SAP, as well as approaches to be undertaken regarding execution and coordination, stakeholder involvements, partnerships, communication and reporting. It also allows for some review of the project outputs, in order to ensure they are fully in line with the current status of SAP implementation and in line with national and regional strategic priorities and also ensure links to new approaches, tools and best practices within and beyond the region. During this Inception Phase of the project three regional inception phase meetings have been held and more than 30 bilateral and national meetings and consultations.

The Inception Phase will be concluded with the adoption of the Inception Phase reports including detailed workplan and budget by the 1<sup>st</sup> Steering Committee meeting (29-30 June 2021) and the launching of the project with key partners at the Inception Workshop (1 July 2021).

The objectives of this Inception Workshop include:

- 1. Present the SCS SAP project expected outcomes, outputs and planned activities to all key partners and stakeholders, including national and regional activities; and
- 2. Discuss partnerships and exchange with stakeholders on additional synergies and opportunities for cooperation.

The Inception Workshop will be attended by the SCS SAP Steering Committee with representatives of participating countries, UNEP, UNOPS and SEAFDEC, key partners in the region and national teams and stakeholders. It will also be open for any interested persons to register and attend.

**Registration**: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_S8mKlHmoQsii7bmioUg1gA

**Deadline for registration:** 23 June 2021

## PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening and Welcome
- 2. Project presentation
- 3. Project organization
- 4. Country presentations
  - Cambodia
  - China
  - Indonesia
  - Philippines
  - Thailand
  - Viet Nam
- 5. Regional Activities
- **6.** Key partnerships and synergies
- 7. Closing Remarks