### Mid-Term Review of the CLME.



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- May 2009 to April 2013
- GEF US\$ 7 million
- US\$47.8 million in co-financing.
- The project is coordinated by UNOPS
- UNDP as the implementing agency
- IOC-UNESCO as a technical implementing agency.
- Involves 23 GEF eligible countries as well as several associated countries and territories.
- Wide range of partners including WECAFC/FAO, UNEP-CEP, CRFM, OSPESCA, CERMES, TNC, INVEMAR, CORALINA, IWCAM amongst others.

## Accomplished:

- Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA)
- Initiated two fisheries pilot projects on the spiny lobster and on reefs and biodiversity;
- cases studies on flyingfish, shrimp and ground fish, and large pelagics.
- case studies have been initiated on regional governance mechanisms and IMS-REMP.



# Needs to complete

- Pilot Projects and Case Studies
- Initiate and complete SAP endorsement

## **Biggest Challenges**

- Maintaining the time lines (even with 4 month extension).
- Working within the existing budget
- Building regional awareness / development of NICs
- SAP endorsement

### Recommendations

- 1. Set a Steering Committee discussion or dialogue for May or June (Not necessarily a meeting).
- 2.1 Instate more frequent and simple reporting and track on a web-page.
- 2.2 Set clear milestones. Consider developing a reallocation fund if milestones are not met.

- 3.1 Develop an information package for SAP awareness building.
- 3.2 Sub-projects should review all possible meeting and opportunities to enhance SAP awareness.
- 3.3 NFPs should also develop a brief communication workplan for the SAP at a national level in conjunction with NIC development.



- 4.1 A chapter approach should be developed to facilitate SAP development. Chapters can relate to the work of the sub-projects.
- 4.2 A chapter/compartment approach for SAP endorsement should be considered to help advance cooperation and engagement in areas that are able to.

- 5.1 Extend the timeline for revision to the end of February 2012.
- 5.2 Special attention should be given to the governance and IMS-REMP case studies to assist with awareness building as they have a regional perspective and the latter has access to senior policy makers.
- 5.3 A structured approach to how sub-projects can assist SAP endorsement should be undertaken.



- 6. Take advantage of SAP development to educate the different sub-projects as to each other's findings and activities. And use the built in capability of the web-site.
- 7. NFPs should take advantage of any ocean committees or teams that are being developed in anticipation of Rio Plus 20.
- 7.2 Pilot projects, case studies and partners should assist NFPs in developing the NICs whenever opportunities present themselves.

8. The project should consider applying for assistance to initiate SAP implementation and thereby allow more time to mobilize resources from countries and/or other sources. This would help to maintain momentum. The project should apply to GEF for bridge funding as soon as possible

## **Key Immediate Decisions of SC**

- Agree to apply to GEF for incremental bridge funding post SAP development to maintain momentum and allow countries to budget SAP activities.
- Agree to have a mid-year (May) review of pilot projects and case studies and SAP development. i) Review how PP and CS can facilitate SAP endorsement. And ii) how to proceed with a chapter/compartmental approach to SAP

### **Conclusions**

- The project has accomplished a lot for an ambitious project.
- It has developed a lot of cooperation and linkages.
- It can achieve its goals if all goes according to the workplans and there is a high level of awareness building around the SAP.