

*2nd Regional Stakeholder Forum
Basin Development Plan
Mekong River Commission
15-17 October 2009
Chiang Rai, Thailand*

SHAPING THE FUTURE

Formulation process
for MRC Strategic
Plan 2011-2015

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Expected
Participation of
Stakeholders

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- Build on and learn lesson from Strategic Plan 2006 - 2010
- Inputs from broad range of stakeholders and Member Countries are at the centre of its process
- Informed by discussion on Core Functions of MRC
- Consistent with outcome-oriented approach and results-based M & E system

Long-term funding & Core Functions of the MRC

- Gradual shift from external funding to Member Country funding
- Move from process and tools development to routine functions implemented by Member Countries

i.e. Hydrological data collection

i.e. Water quality testing

Four Core Functions of the MRC

(i) Secretariat Administrative and Management Functions

(ii) River Basin Management Functions;

(iii) Tools Development and Capacity Building Functions;

(iv) Consulting and Advisory Functions

Seven River Basin Management Functions

1. Data acquisition, exchange and monitoring

2. Analysis, modelling and assessment

3. Planning support

4. Forecasting, warning and emergencies

5. Implementing MRC procedures

6. Promoting dialogue and coordination

7. Reporting and Dissemination

Why your participation is important?

**Existing uses
of Mekong**

**Outcome
oriented SP
2011-2015**



- Enhanced use of resources
- Sustainable development
- Protection of existing uses



Why is your participation important? (cont.)

Clear implementation plan requires:

- A basin-wide development plan.
“One basin, one plan”
- Seeks priority activities that balance economic development needs & environmental protection



Where can you participate?

Member Country Governments (Jul 09 - Nov 2010)

- ◆ National consultation & commissioning of thematic papers
- ◆ 16th Council Meeting ◆ 1st, 2nd and 3rd Regional Meeting
- ◆ 32nd Joint Committee Meeting / 15th Dialogue Meeting
- ◆ Special Joint Committee ◆ 17th Council Meeting

Civil society, private sector, others (Oct 2009 & Jun 2010)

- ◆ BDP Stakeholder Forum
- ◆ Strategic Plan Stakeholder Forum

Development Partners (Nov 2009, Jun & Nov 2010)

- ◆ 14th Donor Consultative Group Meeting
- ◆ Informal Donor Meeting 2010
- ◆ 15th Donor Consultative Group Meeting

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How helpful will your participation be?

Consultations are expected to help:

- Gain national perspectives on future strategic directions of the MRC
- Provide inputs to the refinement of MRC Core Functions and the setting of priorities
- Consider existing Goal statements, whether they need to be modified
- Identify MRC Core Functions that relate to specific Line Agencies

How helpful will your participation be? (cont.)

Consultations are expected to help:

- Identify which activities under the MRC Core Functions could be implemented within the Member Country administration in the future
- Prepare feedback on key questions
- Consolidate and submit national inputs papers
- Comment and shape the Implementation Plan

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Key questions for regional consultation

1. Is it necessary to reformulate the MRC Strategic Goals?

Strategic goals in SP 2006-2010

- To promote and support coordinated, sustainable and pro-poor development;
- To enhance effective regional cooperation;
- To strengthen basin-wide environmental monitoring and impact assessment; and
- To strengthen the Integrated Water Resources Management capacity and knowledge base of the MRC bodies, NMCs, Line Agencies, and other stakeholders

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2. How do you see the Mekong River Commission and your organisation better collaborating in the 2011-2015 Strategic Planning cycle?

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Your inputs to the formulation of
SP 2011-2015 can be sent to:

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Thank you!