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Workshop on Update of YSLME SAP

**13:30 - 18:00, July 16, 2019 - 09:00 - 18:00, July 17, 2019;
and 09:00 - 12:00, July 18, 2019)**

Organizer:



YSLME Project
Management Office

Objectives

- Review the scope and mission of the 2007 TDA and 2008 SAP;
- Review the technical and management actions undertaken during the YSLME Phase II project;
- Validation of the findings and conclusions of the updated TDA
- Evaluate the relevance of the 2008 SAP components, considering current perspectives on the YSLME ecosystem;
- Develop recommendations on the structure and content of 2019 SAP update.

Session 1: July 16, 13:30 - 15:00

Opening and Introduction to Workshop

- Opening comments by Project Manager and RWG-G
- Statements of objectives and desired outcomes
- Format of workshop and expectations for participation
- Overview of TDA / SAP process and the roles and major events of YSLME Phase I and II projects within this context

Session 2: July 16, 16:00 - 18:00

Technical Basis for SAP

- Priority transboundary problems (TDA)
- Causal chain analysis: Understanding root causes (TDA)
- Regional targets, technical actions, and management actions (SAP)
- Key findings and conclusions of updated TDA and validation

Session 3: July 17, 09:00 - 10:30

Workshop Activity: Validate the Causal Chain Analysis and Environmental Problems

- **Objective:** Evaluate the relevance of environmental problems and causes identified in the 2008 SAP
- **Activities:** Breakout groups consider following topics:
 - What are the emerging transboundary environmental problems relative to the nine environmental problems identified in the 2007 TDA and 2008 SAP?
 - What are the underlying and root causes changed since 2007 and what are they?
- **Reporting:** Breakout groups present their findings and plenary group discusses whether any modifications to the causal chain or list of environmental problems need to be made.

Session 4: July 17, 11:00 - 12:00

Workshop Activity: Evaluate Management Actions and Targets, Part I

- **Objective:** Review of management actions and targets for relevance and completeness considering TDA findings and conclusions, as the perspectives gained during YSLME Phase II
- **Activities:** Each group will take one of the four service-oriented blocks of management actions and targets (Provisioning, regulating, cultural, supporting).
- **Reporting:** In Session 6 below

Session 5: July 17, 13:30 - 15:00

Workshop Activity: Evaluate Management Actions and Targets, Part II

- **Progress Reporting:** Each group provides a 10-minute summary of their deliberations so far.
- Brief discussion on how to target activities for this session.
- Breakout activities from Session 4 continue.

Session 6: July 17, 16:00 - 18:00

Reporting from Sessions 4 and 5

- Reporting from Sessions 4 and 5: Groups present the results of their deliberations and conduct a discussion with the plenary group.

Session 7: July 18, 09:00 - 10:30

Workshop Activity: Governance and Economic Considerations

- **Objective:** Evaluate relevance and completeness of governance and economic considerations in the 2008 SAP and make recommendations for the SAP update
- **Governance**
 - o SAP updates relevant to preparations for the regional governance mechanism for the YSLME
 - o Capturing other national and regional governance actions in the SAP update
- **Economic Considerations**
 - o Are valuations of ecosystem services linked to socioeconomic impacts of interventions?
 - o Are economic justifications adequate in terms of analyses of cost/benefit, return on investment, or other relevant measures?

Session 8: July 18, 11:00 - 12:00

Reporting from Session 7 and Wrap up

- **Reporting from Session 7:** Groups present the results of their deliberations and conduct a discussion with the plenary group.
- **Other Considerations:** Open discussion of other aspects of the 2007 SAP that are appropriate to consider in the SAP Update
- **Wrap-up**
 - o Comments from representatives of the RWG-G working group on the outcomes, impacts, and relevance of the workshop.
 - o Next steps to implement the outcomes of the workshop into the draft SAP update, including provisions for workshop participants to review and comment on the draft SAP update.
 - o Closing statements by the Project Manager.

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