

## **NOWPAP/NEASPEC Joint Workshop on Marine Biodiversity Conservation and Marine Protected Areas in the Northwest Pacific**

**13-14 March 2013, Toyama, Japan**

### **Programme**

#### **I. Objectives**

- To share the information on monitoring and management practices for each MPA category in the NOWPAP/NEASPEC member states;
- To discuss concept and elements of marine environmental assessment for marine biodiversity conservation applicable for the Northwest Pacific region;
- To identify priority needs and areas for subregional cooperation on MPA; and
- To discuss the operation of the North-East Asia MPA Network focusing on its specific programmes and operational modality

#### **II. Organizers**

- NOWPAP CEARAC and NEASPEC

#### **III. Expected participants**

- Experts on Marine Biodiversity from the NOWPAP/NEASPEC member states
- National focal points for North-East Asia MPA Network
- Governmental officials who are involved in national strategies for marine biodiversity conservation of the NOWPAP/NEASPEC member states
- Representatives from leading international organizations (Pioneering Study for marine biodiversity conservation)
- Representatives from NOWPAP/NEASPEC partners

#### **IV. Expected outcomes**

**[1st Day]** *led by NOWPAP*

- Understanding the current status and challenges of monitoring and management practices for MPAs in the NOWPAP member states;
- Possibilities of applying EBSA concept in the NOWPAP region;

- Possible concept and elements of a marine environmental assessment tool for conservation of marine biodiversity in the NOWPAP region;
- Possible steps/schedule to develop the assessment tool; and
- Possible ways to collaborate with relevant organizations

**[2nd Day]** *led by NEASPEC*

- Rules and procedures for the operation of the MPA Network
- Scope and modality of network programme;
- Arrangements with NOWPAP and relevant regional/subregional programmes

**V. Provisional Programme**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> day: 13 March 2013 (led by NOWPAP) Chair: Dr. Yoshihisa SHIRAYAMA</b>	
8:30 – 9:00	Registration
<b>09:00-09:30</b>	<b>Opening Session</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Welcome address and opening speech</li> <li>○ Introduction to goals and objectives of the meeting</li> </ul>
<b>09:30-11:00</b>	<b>Session 1: Introduction on status of conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity</b>
9:30 – 11:00	Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ China: <u>Dr. Huang BEI</u> (Zhejiang Provincial Zhoushan Marine Ecological Environmental Monitoring Station)</li> <li>○ Japan: <u>Dr. Takafumi YOSHIDA</u> (NOWPAP CEARAC)</li> <li>○ Korea: <u>Dr. Yoon LEE</u> (West Sea Fisheries Research Institute, National Fisheries Research and Development Institute)</li> <li>○ Russia: <u>Dr. Anatoly KACHUR</u> (NOWPAP POMRAC)</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:30	Tea Break
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Comparison of MPA categories in the NOWPAP member states</li> <li>○ Sharing information on current and future plan for marine biodiversity conservation in the NOWPAP member states</li> <li>○ Consideration of possible ways to design MPA including the consideration of EBSA concept</li> </ul>
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
<b>14:00 – 15:30</b>	<b>Session 2: Current status and challenges of monitoring and assessing marine biodiversity conservation</b>
	Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Development of Ecosystem Indicators to Characterize Ecosystem Response to Multiple Stressors”: <u>Dr. Vladimir V. Kulik</u> (PICES WG28)</li> <li>○ “Comprehensive ecosystem assessment for marine biodiversity conservation”: <u>Dr. Maria Laamanen</u> (HELCOM)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Activity on marine biodiversity conservation in the IOC/WESTPAC”: <u>Dr. Yasuwo Fukuyo</u> (IOC/WESTPAC)</li> </ul>
15:30-16:00	Tea Break
16:00-17:00	<b>Discussion</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review of prior/ongoing activities in terms of the applicability of procedures and availability of data</li> <li>○ Consideration on possible scheme on the assessment procedures for marine biodiversity conservation and possible indicators/parameters</li> <li>○ Recommendation on future workplan and timeline for development of assessment procedures</li> </ul>
17:00 - 17:30	Wrap-up of the day
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> day: 14 March 2013 (led by NEASPEC) Chair: Dr. Sangmin NAM</b>	
09:00 - 10:30	<b>Session 3 : MPA and potential areas of subregional cooperation - views of member States</b>
	Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ NEASPEC and MPA Network, <u>Dr. Sangmin Nam</u> (NEASPEC Secretariat)</li> <li>○ China: <u>Dr. Hao HUANG</u> (State Oceanic Administration)</li> <li>○ Republic of Korea: <u>Dr. Jae-Young LEE</u> (Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs)</li> <li>○ Russian Federation: <u>Mr. Anatoly SAVELYEV</u> (Centre for International Projects)</li> </ul>
10:30 - 10:45	Tea Break
10:45 - 13:00	<b>Session 4: North-East Asia MPA Network: programme and operational modality</b>
	Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Membership and operational arrangement of the network</li> <li>○ Scope and modality of network programme</li> <li>○ Key network activities in 2013-2014</li> <li>○ Arrangements with NOWPAP and relevant mechanisms</li> </ul>
13:00	<b>Closing</b>