



**The 5th Meeting of the Project Steering Committee for
the SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Project on Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of
Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand**

3 September 2021

(08:30 – 12:30PM, UTC+7)

Virtual Meeting via Zoom Platform

**SEAFDEC PROGRAMS IN SUPPORTING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FISHERIES REGUFIA
PROJECT (AS OF 2 SEPTEMBER 2021)**

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Sharing Issues/objectives	Approaches and Outcomes	Outputs
Recovering fish stock and critical habitats: integrate fisheries management and biodiversity conservation	Promoting establishment of local, national, and regional EAFM groups / experts / national core team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a set of training materials, manuals, data collection/survey, base-line data/information, good practices for sustainable development of fisheries communities - design and implementation of coastal area management plans: local, provincial, national, sub-regional
	Introducing standard and methodology to define sustainable level of fisheries resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - collaborative arrangement/mechanism among relevant agencies, etc. - SOPs, manuals, guidelines, handbooks - national and regional data collection system and mechanism (improved and developed), data set and database on fisheries resource utilizations
	Applying best practices for reducing impacts from fishing to coastal and marine environments:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - manuals, technical guidelines, regional policy, best practices, data/information - design of and promotion plan for responsible fishing gears and best practices
Area-based approach: joint efforts in managing transboundary species	Science-based knowledge and data/information to support management of transboundary species	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - manual/handbooks, technical papers (stock and risk assessment, etc.) - human resources and institutional capacity development - platform at sub-regional level (GOT, Andaman Sea, regional policy documents (ASEAN))
	Established bilateral dialogue and sub-regional platforms within same and cross-sectoral departments/ministers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - joint action plans, regional and sub-regional management action plans, etc.