

**3rd EAS Partnership Council Meeting
Agenda Item 1.4 and 2.0 Council Session**

**IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS OF THE
PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS, EAS CONGRESS 2009 AND
THIRD MINISTERIAL FORUM**

Background

1. The Council has convened three times, namely, 1st Meeting (July 2007), 2nd Meeting (July 2008) and Special Meeting (November 2009) since the inauguration of the EAS Partnership Council in December 2006. These meetings resulted in decisions and recommendations for the Executive Committee, the Partners and the PEMSEA Resource Facility (PRF).
2. The Executive Committee of the Council has convened six times during the intersessional periods to guide the PRF in the implementation of the Council and EAS Congress decisions and recommendations, namely 1st Meeting (September 2007); 2nd Meeting (March 2008); 3rd Meeting (July 2008); 4th Meeting (December 2008); 5th Meeting (July 2009); and 6th Meeting (March 2010).
3. As important operating mechanisms of PEMSEA, the EAS Congress 2009 and the Third Ministerial Forum were organized and culminated in the adoption of two important documents, namely: the Agreement Recognizing the PEMSEA's International Legal Personality and the Manila Declaration. Together with the conclusions and recommendations of the International Conference of the EAS Congress 2009, these documents serve as PEMSEA policy documents providing future direction of the PEMSEA Partnership in support of the implementation of the SDS-SEA.
4. The summary of decisions and recommendations of the EAS Partnership Council Meetings and status of implementation is found in Annex 1. The summary of recommendations from the EAS Congress 2009 and the key targets set forth in Manila Declaration are found in Annex 2.

Actions for consideration by the 3rd EAS Partnership Council

5. The Council is invited to:
 - a. review the progress made by the Executive Committee, the Partners and the PRF in line with the decisions and recommendations of the Council, the EAS Congress 2009, and the Third Ministerial Forum; and
 - b. make conclusions and recommendations regarding the progress, achievements and pending actions in response to decisions, as well as ways forward to fully comply with the decisions and recommendations.

KEY EAS PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL, EAS CONGRESS and MANILA DECLARATION DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION (2007-2010)

This summary includes key decisions and recommendations of: 1st EAS Partnership Council Meeting (July 2007) and 2nd EAS Partnership Council Meeting (July 2008), Special EAS Partnership Council Meeting (November 2009), the EAS Congress 2009 and the Manila Declaration. The reports are available at the PEMSEA website (<http://www.pemsea.org/publications>).

A. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

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Election of Chairs	<p><u>1st PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting elected Dr. Chua Thia-Eng, Mr. Hiroshi Terashima and Dr. Li Haiqing as Council Chair, Technical Session Chair and Intergovernmental Session Chair, respectively (para 3.5, page 4). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 1st PC Meeting elected by acclamation the three Chairs of the Executive Committee. The three Chairs assumed their position and led the discussions of their respective sessions in the Council Meetings. Prof. Raphael Lotilla was formally introduced as Executive Director of PRF in 2008 and served as the Secretary of the Executive Committee.
Establishment of the Executive Committee	<p><u>1st PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting endorsed the establishment of the Executive Committee within the framework of the Council, taking into account the relevant requirements of the Partnership Operating Arrangements (para 4.2, page 4). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Since its establishment, the EC convened six (6) times to oversee the implementation of the Council decisions in accordance with its TOR.
New Partners of the Council	<p><u>1st PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting decided to approve the requests of IOI, SENSA and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Twelve (12) non-country Partners, namely: CI Philippines, CMC, UNDP/GEF SGP,

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	<p>NOWPAP for inclusion as new PEMSEA Partners (para 4.10, page 6).</p> <p><u>2nd PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting endorsed the recommendation of the Executive Committee to include the EMECS as a non-State Partner of PEMSEA (para 6.3, page 7) <p><u>Special PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting endorsed the recommendation of the Executive Committee to include the three organizations, namely: IUCN-ARO, ACB and PNLG, as PEMSEA's new non-Country Partners (para 2.5, page 2). The meeting approved the World Bank to become a sponsoring organization of PEMSEA (para 4.3, page 3). 	<p>IOC/WESTPAC, KEI, KMI, KORDI, OPRF, UNEP GPA, PML, and YSLME signed the Partnership Operating Arrangements and participated in the inaugural meeting of the Council in December 2006.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Since then, IOI, SENSEA, NOWPAP, EMECS, IUCN-ARO, ACB and PNLG joined PEMSEA. As of June 2010, the number of non-Country Partners is 19.
Rules and procedures	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting (Intergovernmental Session):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting adopted: a) the draft Guidelines on the Conduct of Executive Committee Meetings; b) Supplementary Document on Guidelines for the Conduct of Meetings Pertaining to the Provisions on Elections; and c) Procedures for the Recruitment and Appointment of the RPD for the Implementation of the SDS-SEA and the Executive Director of the PRF (para 5.1 and 5.2, page 35). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF is operating in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted by the Council.

B. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE OPERATION OF THE REGIONAL MECHANISM

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<p>Legal Personality of PEMSEA</p>	<p><u>1st PC Meeting (Intergovernmental Session):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The EC and PRF need to involve Country- and non-Country Partners in the consultation process concerning the assessment and identification of future options with regard to the PRF legal status (para 6.15, page 59). <p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.10~12, page 14):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF further explain the rationale and objectives of the Protocol to the Country Partners, especially the Foreign Ministries, in consultation with the NFPs of PEMSEA to promote the process of internal review of the Protocol; • The Intergovernmental Session discuss the twin documents, the Protocol and the Concept Paper, in detail for endorsement to Country Partners; and • The PRF feature PEMSEA’s legal personality as a key agenda for the Ministerial Forum at the EAS Congress 2009. <p>(Intergovernmental Session, para 2.11~2.15, page 81)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting accept the rationale for recognizing the legal personality of PEMSEA; • The meeting adopt the title of the working document, “Agreement Recognizing the International Legal Personality of the Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia”, and to highlight the Haikou Agreements in the preamble; • The meeting adopt the draft Agreement, as revised in Annex 10, for use by Country Partners for consultations with their respective foreign affairs offices and the relevant agencies; • The meeting adopt the following work schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dissemination of the clean text to the State Parties on or before July 22, 2008; b. Comments submitted by the State Partners to the PRF on or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRF organized a Technical Working Group (TWG), composed of legal and policy experts to conduct studies and recommendations on the establishment of PEMSEA’s Legal Personality. • TWG developed concept papers and drafted the Agreement Recognizing PEMSEA’s Legal Personality (April 2008). • The draft Agreement was circulated to relevant agencies of PEMSEA country Partners for consultation and input, including Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia and Thailand as requested by the Council. • Eight ministers at the Third Ministerial Forum (November 2009) signed the Agreement Recognizing PEMSEA’s Legal Personality. • Negotiation on the PEMSEA Headquarters Agreement is ongoing with concerned government agencies in the Philippines.

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	<p>before September 30, 2008;</p> <p>c. Meeting of State Partners and PRF to finalize the text of the Agreement to resolve outstanding issues, as required, by October 31, 2008; and</p> <p>d. Indications by State Partners of willingness to sign the Agreement by November 30, 2008; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting request PRF to invite Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia and Thailand to participate in consultations concerning the development of the Agreement and possible signature. 	
<p>PEMSEA Partnership Fund</p>	<p><u>1st PC Meeting (para 3.35~2.38, page 21):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Executive Committee be requested to guide the further assessment of viable options for establishing PEMSEA’s legal personality, setting up the PEMSEA Partnership Fund, and moving toward the goal of a long-term sustainable regional mechanism for SDS-SEA implementation; • The EC invite interested Partners (Country and non-Country) and experienced individuals to participate in assessment process; • The EC interact with countries to determine the options and processes that are required in their respective governments to recognize the legal personality of PEMSEA; and • The EC report the progress and results to the next meeting of the EAS Partnership Council. <p><u>2nd PC Meeting:</u> (Intergovernmental Session, para 2.19, page 82)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF will develop the details of the PEMSEA Partnership Fund, i.e. principles, sources, allocation, expenditure, auditing, reporting, etc., under the guidance of the Executive Committee, and report the results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF established the PEMSEA Trust Fund through opening a bank account in the Philippines. • The remaining balance of PEMSEA fund in the IMO Trust Fund was transferred to the PEMSEA Trust Fund account. • PRF earmarked the available funds in the Trust Account for capacity development and knowledge-sharing initiatives in the region over the next three years in support of the SDS-SEA implementation. • PEMSEA Trust Fund Management Guidelines was endorsed by the EC. • Status of PEMSEA Partnership Fund and Trust Fund to be presented and discussed at the 3rd PC Meeting

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	to the next EAS Partnership Council.	
PEMSEA Resource Facility Sustainability Plan	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting:</u> (Intergovernmental Session, para 2.22, page 82)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting decided that the legal personality is the first priority of the PRF and that the development of the sustainability plan will be addressed subsequent to the achievement of legal recognition of PEMSEA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF focused on the Legal Personality until 2009. Concept Paper on PEMSEA Financial Sustainability Plan (2012 to 2015) to be presented under agenda item 12.0 of the 3rd PC Meeting.
EAS Congress 2009 and the 3rd Ministerial Forum	<p><u>1st PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners be invited to proactively participate in the planning and organization of workshops, seminars and forums for the EAS Congress 2009, in order to ensure momentum and sustainability of the event (para 3.56, page 24). <p>(Intergovernmental Session)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRF will prepare concrete and effective agenda for the Ministerial Forum of the EAS Congress 2009, in order to facilitate the participation of high level policy makers in the EAS Congress 2009, and further mobilize political support for the implementation of the SDS-SEA (para 6.16, page 59). <p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.41~2.44, page 17):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF work closely with Partners and confirmed co-conveners in developing quality workshop/session programs and papers for the International Conference; The adoption of a more open and active approach in securing the participation of the governments and various stakeholders from the East Asian Seas countries; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRF developed the Congress 2009 programme based on the comments and suggestions received from the EC and Partners, and set out the Congress promotional campaign. PRF communicated with Partners, co-conveners and other participating institutions and individuals to ensure proper arrangements for the Congress and the technical workshops. EAS Congress 2009 conducted with 1,480 participants, 100 exhibitors, 51 co-conveners and supporting organizations, and 12 sponsors. The outcomes of the Congress were presented at the Global Oceans Forum, Climate Change Conference (Copenhagen) in December 2009. Key events included the Third Ministerial Forum and the International Conference

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The early engagement of Partners in the planning and organization of various sessions/events to ensure the efficient organization of the EAS Congress; and • Partners, particularly the State Partners, take the lead in securing and encouraging increased participation of local governments, private sector, and other local stakeholders from various East Asian Seas countries. <p>(Intergovernmental Session, para 3.10~3.16, page 84)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF further refine the programme of the Ministerial Forum in line with the suggestions and inputs of State Partners; • The theme of the forum will be “Adaptation to Climate Change through Integrated Coastal and Ocean Management”; • The proposed outdoor activity will be made more relevant to the theme; • The Ministerial Declaration will be completed in collaboration with the host country. • The PRF will develop a package regarding PEMSEA’s strategy and approach to adaptation to climate change, for dissemination to countries; • The PRF would explore opportunities for integrating other regional issues such as the Coral Triangle Initiative into the theme of the Ministerial Forum in order to engage Ministers from other relevant agencies in the forum; and • The Secretariat will revise the meeting document and disseminate it to the Country Partners. <p><u>Special PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RO Korea government confirmed their intention of hosting the EAS Congress 2012 in Korea. With appreciation, the meeting approved RO Korea’s hosting of the Congress 2012 (para 1.2, page 1). 	<p>with 21 workshops and 9 special events, including the 2nd EAS Youth Forum with 100 youth participants (61 core participants selected from PEMSEA countries) and the Corporate Social Responsibility Forum on Public-Private Partnerships for the Sustainable Development of Manila Bay participated by 31 corporations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The programme of the Ministerial Forum including outdoor activity was developed under the guidance of the EC and Partners and in consultation with host country, Philippines. • Manila Declaration and Policy Brief focusing on PEMSEA’s strategy on climate change developed and disseminated during the Congress.. • Third Ministerial Forum conducted on 26 November 2009 with 12 PEMSEA countries represented. • 11 Ministers signed the Manila Declaration on the Strengthening of ICM for Sustainable Development and Climate Change Adaptation in the East Asia Region. • RO Korea confirmed its interest to host EAS Congress 2012 during the 5th EC Meeting and the Council approved its hosting at the Special Council Meeting during the EAS Congress 2009.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on preparations for EAS Congress 2012 will be provided by ROK delegate at the 3rd PC Meeting.
EAS Partnership Council Meeting	<p><u>1st PC Meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The representative of Japan expressed his country's interest to host the 2nd EAS Partnership Council Meeting, subject to the approval of the government (para 4.2, page 26). <p>(Intergovernmental Session)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting request the countries to forward their comments and recommendations to the RPO/PRF with regard to the critical issues on the national, sub-national and regional levels related to the SDS-SEA implementation as basis for the RPO/PRF to prepare the agenda for Council meetings (para 6.18, page 59). The meeting request the Secretariat to prepare a consolidated regional report on National Work Programmes and contributions for the SDS-SEA implementation on an annual basis for submission to the Council (para 6.20, page 60). <p><u>2nd PC Meeting:</u></p> <p>(Intergovernmental Session)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting decided to convene an expanded Executive Committee Meeting in Manila, Philippines in July 2009 for interested State and non-State partners to discuss preparations for the EAS Congress 2009 and 3rd Ministerial Forum and other possible outstanding issues (para 5.4, page 86). The meeting decided to convene the 3rd EAS Partnership Council in July 2010 to discuss the results and implementation of recommendations received from the EAS Congress 2009 and the 3rd Ministerial Forum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2nd EAS Partnership Council Meeting was convened in July 2008 in Japan. The 2nd Council Meeting tabled "critical and emerging issues" as a major agenda item. The PRF is developing an Implementation plan for SDS-SEA and prepared a consolidated SDS-SEA progress review report, to be presented and discussed under agenda item 8.0. of the 3rd PC meeting The Expanded EC meeting was organized in July 2009 in Manila to prepare for the EAS Congress 2009. The 3rd PC meeting will be convened in China.

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	<p>(para 5.5, page 86).</p> <p>Special PC Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 3rd EAS Partnership Council Meeting is scheduled in July 2010. PR China expressed their agreement in principle to host the meeting (para 5.1, page 3). 	

C. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SDS-SEA

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<p>GEF Project Document on SDS-SEA Implementation</p>	<p>1st PC Meeting (para 3.17~3.20, page 18):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The endorsement of the Project Document to participating countries, along with a request to the concerned National Focal Points to facilitate the signature of the Project Document by the respective UNDP national focal agencies as early as possible. The RPO to revise the Project Document, taking into consideration the comments of GEF Council members, and to submit the document to the GEF CEO for endorsement of the project, on or before 15 August 2007; The UNDP to proceed with securing the signatures of the respective UNDP national focal agencies in GEF-eligible countries, with a view to having the budget approval in place for project start-up in October 2007; The UNDP to facilitate the implementation of the feasibility study for the regional revolving fund in collaboration with the World Bank as soon as possible, in order to allow development and testing of the proposed mechanism within the three-year timeframe of the PEMSEA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countries endorsed the project document by September 2007. PRF received the GEF CEO endorsement on November 2007. Vietnam signed the Project Document on 25 August 2008. MOAs with GEF eligible countries signed: Cambodia (2008), China (2008), Indonesia (2009), Lao PDR (2008), Philippines (2009), Timor Leste (2008), Vietnam (2010); MOA with Thailand still under consideration by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs but initial agreement on the content has been reached. PRF conducted the National Inception Workshops at GEF eligible countries for identifying priority outcomes and impacts.

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	<p>project.</p> <p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 1.7~1.12, page 9):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF send a letter to UNDP Vietnam with a copy being furnished to MONRE in order to facilitate the signing of the Project Document; • State Partners sign MOAs with the PEMSEA Resource Facility by the end of August in order to start up the implementation of their country work programmes; • The PRF focus on identification and delivery of priority and urgent outcomes and impacts in the Project Document, with a view to reducing the number of activities planned over the next three years to a realistic level, and to make a progress report to the next Technical Session; • Participating countries take the lead in consolidating and coordinating the various planned and ongoing projects in marine and coastal management, by delineating their priorities and preferred approaches in achieving common goals and objectives across projects to donors and international sponsoring organizations; • The PRF, in collaboration with participating countries, proactively pursue opportunities for mobilizing additional resources, particularly through the promotion of its value-added expertise, skills and tools in the development and implementation of ICM, to donors, international financial institutions and NGOs implementing sub-regional and regional projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRF is actively seeking opportunities in resource mobilizations in the region and resulted in tangible results including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. MOU signed with World Bank, SCBD and ECOGOV b. LOA signed with KMI, KEI and KORDI c. MOA signed with Port Authority of Thailand for scaling up of PSHEMS d. MOU with GTZ for PSHEMS Implementation. e. LOA with Laem Chabang Port for the implementation of the PSHEMS. f. MOA signed with Guimaras province (Php 9M committed) g. MOAs and other agreements signed with Partners and collaborators for the EAS Congress 2009: DENR Philippines hosting of the Congress 2009; SENSEA;OPRF;KEI; KMI; KORDI; MLTM ROK; IMO; ACB; UNEP-DEPI;ASEAN Foundation; PAWB Phils; Team Energy; Petron Foundation; San Roque; Bataan Foundation; Chevron; TOTAL; Infinity Travel; Yeosu Expo; PAL; National Parks Board Singapore; and support from other Partners and collaborators without formal agreements.
<p>PRF Work Programme and</p>	<p><u>1st PC Meeting: (Intergovernmental Session)</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GEF/UNDP/UNOPS SDS-SEA Project started in April 2008 (after a transitional period

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Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting decided to adopt the project budget in principle, as presented in the Project Document, and to request the RPO to duly finalize the budget, with due consideration to the respective work programmes of the Partners. The RPO is also requested to make budget revisions, as necessary, for the current Regional Programme, and take into account timelines for the signing of the SDS-SEA project document, in the finalization of the work programmes (para 6.17, page 59) <p><u>2nd PC Meeting:</u> <u>(Intergovernmental Session, para 4.4~4.6, page 85):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting decided to adopt the work plan and budget, in principle, and requested the ED to finalize the work programmes with participating countries and to sign MOAs on behalf of the East Asian Seas Partnership Council before the end of August 2008; • The meeting decided to request the ED to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) fast track the development and operationalization of the RTF/NTF networks; b) to develop project assignments and seek secondment of qualified technical personnel from participating countries; and c) to explore and implement a junior professional officers program with donor countries; and • The meeting decided to request the ED to review and adjust the proposed activities and outputs identified in the Project Document in consideration of the reduced staff and budget for the project. <p><u>Special PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council requested that the Executive Director to prepare and submit an interim budget and work program for 2010 to UNOPS in January 2010. A full report on the implementation of the SDS-SEA, 	<p>from 2007 to 31 March 2008).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF realigned the work programme and budget taking due consideration of reduced staff and budget. • The PRF is actively seeking and welcoming seconded staff from countries and Partners with their own funding. • MOAs with GEF eligible countries signed: Cambodia (2008), China (2008), Indonesia (2009), Lao PDR (2008) , Philippines (2009), Timor Leste (2008), Vietnam (2010); MOA with Thailand still under consideration by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs but initial agreement on the content has been reached. • As approved by the Council, the project is extended to April 2012. In Jan 2010, proposed revised budget approved by UNOPS and request for extension will be reconfirmed with UNDP New York. • Work Plan and revised budget including project extension to be presented under agenda item 18.0 of the Intergovernmental Session of the 3rd PC Meeting.

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	<p>along with the revised 2010-2012 work programme and budget will be reviewed during the 3rd EAS Partnership Council Meeting in July 2010 (para 6.2, page 3).</p>	
<p>GEF/World Bank Partnership Investment Fund for Pollution Reduction</p>	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting urge the World Bank, UNDP and UNOPS to resolve the issues regarding Executing Agency for the Pollution Reduction Investment Fund project, with due consideration to the best interests of the countries of the region in achieving the objectives of the SDS-SEA (para 1.20, page 10). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Bank, UNDP and UNOPS conducted series of consultation meetings to resolve the issue of Executive Agency for the IF project. World Bank and PEMSEA signed an MOU in November 2009.
<p>Framework of Partnership Programmes 2007-2010</p>	<p><u>1st PC Meeting (para 3.6~3.8, page 9):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF facilitate joint planning among PEMSEA Partners for the preparation and implementation of the Framework of Partnership Programmes; The PRF further develop the template through testing and consultation with the concerned Partners, taking into account the comments made at the present session, as well as the templates or formats generated by the Partners and other stakeholders for similar purposes; and The PRF present a revised template, test results, and necessary guidelines and work schedule for preparation of the Framework of Partnership Programmes, to the next meeting of the Council. <p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.18~2.21, page 15):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the Partners consider FoPP development and application; The results of the FoPP be utilized in the development of the rolling 10-year Regional Partnership Programme, with the assistance of the PRF, using the FoPP template and process as a common procedure; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FoPP template developed and initial test conducted using the information on the Philippines. PRF presented the refined FoPP, and the results of the Philippine case study to the 2nd EC Meeting, and FoPP further refined using the Philippines case. PRF also requested the non-State Partners to develop their respective frameworks. A regional summary of the Country and Non-Country initiatives related to the SDS-SEA was developed by PRF, using the baseline information gathered in 2005. This will be discussed under Agenda Item 8.0 of the 3rd EAS Partnership Council. Updating and completion of FOPPs by Country and Non-Country Partners is

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF present the rolling 10-year regional partnership programme to the next meeting of the Technical Session; and The PRF pursue further improvement of the FoPP through practical experience and in collaboration with the Partners. 	<p>ongoing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRF has initiated collaborative planning with Partners for the development of the 5-year implementation plan for SDS-SEA, to be discussed under Agenda Item 10.0 of the 3rd EAS Partnership Council, The FOPP will be utilized as a resource document for collaborative planning in each country.
<p>State of the Coasts Reporting System</p>	<p><u>1st PC Meeting (para 3.45~3.47, page 23):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF test the application of the framework and template using available information from Batangas and Xiamen ICM sites; The PRF circulate the Batangas and Xiamen SOC reports to National Focal Points, ICM sites and other interested partners and collaborators to serve as case studies to guide the preparation of their respective SOC reports; and The PRF promote the application of the framework and template at the sub-regional level, if proven to be working at the local level. The PRF participate in the consultation process that is being organized by the PRF in order to develop and achieve consensus on the concept, framework and template, and feasibility of a regional SOC report, and the preparation process for the first SOC report in 2009. <p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.33~2.35, page 16):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF continue to assist interested countries to develop and implement the SOC reporting system as part of national ICM scaling up programmes; The PRF work with national and local governments to prepare a series of SOC reports from ICM sites across the region for packaging and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRF developed the SOC template taking into account the suggestions of the 1st EC meeting. PRF tested the template using Batangas information and presented initial test result of Batangas case study for EC review. PRF further refined the SOC case study for Batangas, with the set of indicators and list of data requirements identified, and SOC template refined. SOC report published as a case study and disseminated at the 2nd PC Meeting. SOC orientation and workshops conducted (Bataan, Guimaras, Macajalar Bay, Philippines; Timor Leste; Jakarta Bay, Indonesia; Lao PDR; Sihanoukville, Cambodia); SOC-related reports developed (Chonburi, Thailand; Sihanoukville, Cambodia; and Xiamen, China draft SOC report; Guimaras’

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	<p>dissemination during the EAS Congress 2009, and make the data available to all interested parties; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting further recommended that the PEMSEA SOC reporting system stay focused as an operational tool for local governments and as a reporting system focused on on-the-ground local actions in ICM, and their impacts and benefits. 	<p>SOC baseline and action plan; Sedone, Lao PDR profile; Hue and Quang Nam, Vietnam initial assessment of data).</p>
<p>Technical Cooperation and Collaboration</p>	<p>1st PC Meeting (para 3.61 and 3.62, page 26):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF to continue to develop new partnerships and collaborative activities with organizations and institutions in the region and outside of the region, within the available resources of the programme, to facilitate knowledge-sharing and innovation in the development and implementation of the SDS-SEA; The PRF to pursue the linkage of websites among all partners and collaborators, as well as to explore other effective means to enhance information and knowledge sharing for improved implementation of the SDS-SEA. <p>2nd PC Meeting (para 1.38~1.41, page 12):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF increase its efforts to interact with the project offices/secretariats of sub- regional and regional projects, to develop concrete proposals for improving interaction with such projects and programmes, and to report its progress to the next Technical Session; The PRF package and disseminate information on the various products and services available from PEMSEA in order to promote increased access/use of such products/services by sub-regional projects and programmes; State partners consider utilizing the Framework for Sustainable Development of Coastal Areas as a common framework for developing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRF tabled and discussed the critical and emerging issues at the 2nd PC Meeting. Exploratory meeting was held with ADB, NOWPAP, WESTPAC, CTI, Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape (SSS) to seek possible areas of collaboration. Tropical Coasts special issue on Sulu-Sulawesi published in collaboration with CI Philippines focusing on SSME's achievements and lessons learned. SDCA framework was promoted as a basis for the development and implementation of national programmes and the SDS-SEA. A concept paper on the need and benefits of strengthening collaborative planning among Partners for the implementation of the SDS-SEA and a joint planning procedure to be presented and discussed under agenda item 10.0 of the 3rd EAS Partnership Council.

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	and implementing national and sub-regional projects; and	
RTF/NTF	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.47 and 2.48, page 18):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The establishment of core teams of capable trainers/technical support for scaling up ICM programs in participating countries is a priority issue and should be the focus of this activity; and • The PRF consider the development of RTF/NTF in a step-wise manner taking into consideration the concerns raised on the operationalization of the RTF/NTF, the ambitious schedule and the selection of appropriate candidates for RTF/NTF. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National task force composed of representatives of ICM training centers and experienced ICM practitioners. • Training-of-trainers (TOT) conducted (22 - 29 Oct 2008) • 19 experts were mobilized for regional initiatives and for national ICM efforts in Cambodia, Indonesia, Philippines and Vietnam. • Training for RTF/NTF conducted from 2008: ICM ToT, ICM National Training, CS Planning workshops, SOC, IIMS, CUZ, MERIT trainings • ICM Learning Centers are being established as the source of RTF/NTF (Xavier University and De La Salle University, Lipa, Bogor Agricultural University of Indonesia, Royal University of Phnom Penh, COMI of Xiamen University, Danang University of Vietnam etc).
Training	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.56~2.58, page 19):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF link with various capacity development initiatives on ocean and coastal management that are undertaken by State and non-State partners to facilitate complementarity and synergies for effective and efficient delivery of services; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRF initiated collaboration with Partners and collaborators, for example, OSR on oil sensitivity mapping and use of oil spill dispersant in the Gulf of Thailand; survey of local government's capacity on oil spill

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF make training programmes accessible to non-Country partners and collaborators, as appropriate; and The PRF review the current training programmes and schedules in consideration of the reduced capacity of the PRF. 	<p>response (with OSR); workshop on coastal resources management in region 1 (Ilocos region, Philippines); CTI workshop (Sep 20 and Oct 23 2009); XWOW with PNLG; workshop for development of coastal use zoning for Cavite in Subic (Nov 6-8, 2008), etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICM Course 1 Instructor’s Manual and Participant’s Manual developed and published, ICM Courses 2-5 is under development. 8 national training activities conducted on ICM, SOC, IIMS 11 local/site-level training conducted From 2008, 638 trained Scholarships from PEMSEA partners/collaborators (COMI-Xiamen University and UNITAR) promoted to country partners Training programs were conducted for 12 interns from 2008 to present
<p>PEMSEA ICM and Port Safety, Health and Environmental Management (PSHEM) Codes and Recognition Systems</p>	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.66~2.72, page 20):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Given the importance of the initiatives, Partners be requested to review the ICM and PSHEM Codes and Recognition Systems further, and provide their comments and suggestions to the PRF; The PRF continue to develop and refine the ICM Code and Recognition System through field tests at existing ICM demonstration sites, within the limits of available budget and resources; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICM Code developed and peer reviewed for further revision. The ICM Code was field tested and applied in the selection of ICM sites recognized during the EAS Congress 2009. The ICM Code has been revised, taking into account the results of the Peer Review. It

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRF promote the PSHEM Code and Recognition System to the regional and international maritime sector, with a view to developing and/or expanding a regional market for the PSHEM system; • The Intergovernmental Session adopt the Concept Papers and strategic initiatives for the development, demonstration and adoption of the ICM and PSHEM Codes and Recognition Systems; • The PRF proceed with work plans and schedules for testing and demonstrating the ICMS and PSHEMS and Recognition Systems; • The PRF organize workshops during the EAS Congress 2009 to provide further information and experiences regarding the implementation of the ICM and PSHEM Codes and Recognition Systems; and • The PRF report the progress on the two Codes and Recognition Systems to the next Technical Session. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will be filed-tested at a selected ICM site, commencing on the 4th quarter of 2010. • Port Safety Health and Environmental Management Code (PSHEM) developed and field tested. • 9 local governments and 3 ports were recognized by PEMSEA for their contribution to sustainable development of marine and coastal areas of the region during the EAS Congress 2009. Recognition was based on conformance to the ICM Code and the PSHEM Code. • A working document on a standard procedure for reviewing and approving codes, guidelines and good practices in support of SDS-SEA implementation will be presented and discussed under agenda item 13.0 of the Technical Session of the 3rd PC Meeting.
Regional Centers of Excellence (RCoE) Program	<u>2nd PC Meeting:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorsement of the Center for Marine Environmental Research and Innovative Technologies as a PEMSEA Regional Center of Excellence in Marine Pollution (para 2.81, page 22). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MERIT Hong Kong University endorsed as a PEMSEA Area of Excellence. • As an RCOE, MERIT conducted 3 trainings since 2007. • A second RCOE will be identified in 2010.
Twinning Arrangements	<u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.88 and 2.89, page 23):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Twinning Secretariat in RO Korea and the PRF work closely together to further develop the detailed work programmes of the Twinning Arrangements, including seeking a good match of developed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twinning Secretariat established at KMI, RO Korea in June 2008. • In collaboration with PEMSEA and KMI, twinning workshops were conducted with

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	<p>and developing sites, with careful consideration of the characteristics of the approaches and schemes for pollution reduction at respective sites; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF elaborate on the various terminologies being used in documents related to the twinning arrangements and projects, in order to avoid confusion among stakeholders and Partners. 	<p>Bohai Sea, Jakarta Bay, Manila Bay, Masan-Chinhae Bay, and Chesapeake Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st: Masan, ROK, Jun 2005. 2nd: Haikou, China, Dec 2006 3rd: Tianjin, China, Nov 2007 4th: Manila, Philippines, Mar, 2009 5th: Jakarta, Indonesia, Mar 2010. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An MOU was signed with University of Maryland and the Chesapeake Bay Program for technical assistance in IRBCAM. Technical assistance is being provided by Chesapeake Bay and University of Maryland,
PNLG	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 2.96 and 2.97, page 23):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PNLG Secretariat, through the PNLG Executive Committee, make formal application to the PRF ED indicating its intention to become a non-State Partner of the EAS Partnership Council; and The PRF provide assistance to the PNLG in facilitating the application process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PNLG submitted application to become the non-country partner of PEMSEA in April 2009. Special PC meeting (Nov 2009) approved the inclusion of PNLG as PEMSEA's non-Country Partner.
Critical and Emerging Issues	<p><u>2nd PC Meeting (para 3.5 and 3.6, page 24):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PRF table critical and emerging issues such as coastal reclamation, island management, coastal use zoning and climate change adaptation as topics for the International Conference of the EAS Congress 2009; and The PRF modify the programme of the EAS Congress in order to cover a broader scope of climate change issues, in addition to those topics already tabled. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The EAS Congress 2009 featured critical and emerging issues as the themes of international workshops (i.e., Land and Sea Use Zoning: Challenges and Opportunities; The Continental Shelf: Post May 2009 Perspectives; Meeting Challenges of climate change at local level, etc.). A synthesis of emerging trends and priorities across the region to be presented

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EAS CONGRESS 2009 AND MANILA DECLARATION

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EAS Congress 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understanding of the value of marine economy will help improve marine related policy making and sustainable development. • ICM framework provides an operational definition of sustainable development and must be integrated into national coastal and ocean policy. • There is a need to prepare and develop capacities of local government and its stakeholders to respond to man-made and natural disasters. • Land and sea use zoning schemes, MPAs and MPA networks are effective in helping local governments regulate use of these areas, but further efforts are required to enhance the capability of local communities to manage and maintain these systems. • Climate change cannot be decoupled from development. • Water scarcity is a serious emerging challenge to the EAS region and is further being aggravated by climate change. • Freshwater and coastal systems are interrelated and need to be managed in an integrated manner. • Innovative approaches to improved water management should be demonstrated and scaled up (e.g., upstream/downstream partnerships; socially sensitive tariff systems). • Integrated and co-management approaches need to be promoted among sectors and institutions to address socio-economic, political and environmental concerns associated with aquaculture, fisheries and coastal tourism. • Fish is not just a source of protein but is considered a “brain food” and has mainly contributed in the evolution and development of the modern human brain. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRF is working on identifying regional contribution of marine economy to the regional GDP. One issue of Tropical Coasts magazine has been devoted to the subject (July 2009 issue). • PEMSEA has developed the SD Framework providing overall management platform for developing and implementing SD projects and programmes at national and local levels. SDS-SEA provides regional framework for collaboration. • PRF is developing Coastal Use Zoning (CUZ) training modules. • PEMSEA is currently scaling up the ICM to cover the upstream for linking freshwater and ocean, for example, in Xiamen and Taedong River. IRBCAM is being promoted through Twinning Arrangements. • PRF is helping local governments establish environmental facilities using innovative financing mechanism (e.g. PPP). Financed by the PPP, Puerto Galera sewage treatment facility is under construction. • PEMSEA countries are moving towards integrated ocean policy and management. Many countries already developed policies

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a huge demand for environmental facilities and services on pollution reduction and waste management in the region. • A number of innovative approaches on financing are available (e.g. PPP) but local governments need support or incentives. National governments can provide risk reduction through capacity development and innovative financing programs while the Private sector has technical capacity and financing. • National governments are in a strategic position to establish coastal and ocean policies, coordinating mechanisms, awareness and capacity building programs, and financial assistance, which can incentivize ICM and mainstream ICM into development plans at the subregional, national and local levels. The support of national governments, particularly financial and technical assistance, to ICM programs of local governments is important. • Local governments are in the best position to assess needs, issues, risks and preferences of stakeholders at the local level, as well as identify local vulnerabilities to climate change. Local governments can integrate ICM into local development and environmental plans and develop/implement climate change adaptation programs at the community level. However, they need both human and financial assistance to increase their capacity in addressing challenges. • Overall, the EAS Congress International Conference recognized the need to scale up ICM as the preferred approach to addressing existing and emerging challenges to sustainable development of marine and coastal areas including climate change and its impacts. Strengthening of commitments to scale up ICM at the local, national and sub-regional levels is therefore crucial. 	<p>on ICM or sustainable coastal and marine development (Japan, China, ROK, Indonesia, Philippines, etc) and many are under development (Cambodia, Timor Leste, Vietnam, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEMSEA provide financial and technical assistance to local governments for enhancing capacities to effectively address challenges including climate change. Good examples are ICM demonstration projects and SGP projects. • PEMSEA countries are committed to scale up their ICM efforts to national level, at the same time, functionally scaling up the existing ICM sites at local level.

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Manila Declaration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will strengthen and accelerate the implementation of ICM for sustainable development and climate change adaptation, where appropriate, in accordance with the following priorities: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Setting up sub-regional and national coordinating mechanisms for strengthening existing mechanisms to oversee and guide the implementation of ICM programmes; b. Mainstreaming ICM into development plans and programmes at the sub-regional, national and local levels, including the conservation, rehabilitation and management of sub-regional seas and related watershed areas; c. Delineating highly vulnerable coastal areas, coastal communities and resources and habitats, as well as vulnerable sectors of society, including the poor, women and the youth, and strengthening their capacity to respond and adapt to the impacts of climate change; d. Developing and applying land- and sea-use zoning plans and schemes; e. Implementing capacity building and technical assistance programmes to strengthen leadership capacities, skills and scientific and technical capabilities, including local governments' capacity to develop and implement ICM programmes; f. Applying ICM good practices as guidance in developing and implementing ICM programmes; g. Employing a range of new and alternative financing mechanisms to develop, implement and sustain ICM programmes and managing available funds in a cost-effective and cost-efficient manner; h. Carrying out habitat restoration and management programmes, including coral reefs, seagrass beds, coastal wetlands and mangroves, and establishing marine protected areas, as 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAS Countries have set up PEMSEA as a regional coordinating mechanism for ICM implementation. Many countries are currently setting up national coordinating mechanism through developing national ICM policy. • PEMSEA ICM sites have delineated vulnerable coastal areas and habitats through vulnerability assessments (e.g., Batangas, Danang etc.). • PEMSEA has embarked on developing Land and Sea use Zoning plan and schemes (Batangas, Xiamen, Nampho, Bataan etc.) • PEMSEA's training and human and intellectual capacity programme are designed to enhance regional capacity in ICM implementation at national and local level. • ICM Code is further being polished to guide the local governments for ICM implementation in a systematic manner. • PEMSEA is supporting local government developing and applying innovative financial mechanisms under the scheme of PPP and Environmental User Fee system. • PEMSEA promote decision making based on scientifically sound information and provide technical assistance for scientific tools including IIMS, IEMP, Economic valuation, etc.

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	<p>appropriate, based on scientifically sound information, in order to improve the natural defenses of coastal and marine ecosystem to the impacts of climate change and to enhance carbon sequestration capacities of relevant habitats;</p> <p>i. Formulating and implementing disaster risk management programmes including preparing for, responding to and recovering from natural and man-made disasters; and</p> <p>j. Sharing information and knowledge on the development and application of innovative policies, legislation, technologies and practices in support of ICM programmes, as well as the social, economic and environmental benefits being derived.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will report on the progress of ICM programmes every three years, including the measures taken for climate change adaptation. • We call on PEMSEA, as the regional mechanism for the implementation of the SDS-SEA, to undertake the development of the Implementation Plan for the SDS-SEA in 2010 for consideration by countries, to facilitate the scaling up of ICM programmes in countries across the region and to promote regional cooperation in education and training activities related to ICM and climate change adaptation, taking into account the Haikou Partnership Agreement. • We encourage Non-Country Partners, international organizations, donors, scientific and research organizations, the academe, local governments, communities, and individuals to play active roles in the development of the region's capacity in implementing ICM, protecting the environment and pursuing climate change adaptation measures. • We encourage the cooperation and support of relevant local governments and authorities in implementing ICM scaling up programmes and, where applicable, to mainstream such programmes into their local development plans. • We support the efforts of the global community to address the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEMSEA provide assistance on setting up of oil spill contingency plan (Gulf of Thailand). • PEMSEA is organizing a triennial EAS Congress as a regional intellectual marketplace for knowledge sharing and exchange of experiences. • PEMSEA will develop the Implementation Plan for the SDS-SEA in 2010. The 3rd PC Meeting will initiate the process. • PEMSEA will participate in the global efforts on oceans and coasts and contribute to addressing the issues of climate change and sustainable development.

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	interrelationship between climate change and the coasts and oceans. We will contribute to these global efforts, through ICM implementation and the sustainable development of the Seas of East Asia.	