**Regional Marine Species Programme and Action Plans**

**Draft Annotated Agenda**

Time 12 midday, Apia time to 4.30pm

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|   | Title | time | Speakers |
| Day 1: 28 July |  |  |  |
| 12.00PM | Welcome and scene setting for the regional marine species meeting series) | 10m | **Stuart Chape (SPREP, Island and Ocean ecosystems Director)** |
| 12.10PM | Review of previous plans andProposed online reporting tool (SPREP) | 10m10m | **Hannah Hendricks (SPREP, Marine Species Conservation Officer)****Lagi Reupena** **(SPREP, Inform Project Environmental Data Officer)**  |
| Day 1: 28 July | **Dugong Action Plan. Welcome and introduction** | **5m** | **Karen Baird****Moderator: Peter Davies (SPREP, Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Adviser)** |
| 12.30PM | Conservation status of dugong and threats in the region | 30m5m | **Dr Christophe Cleguer**Questions and discussion |
| 1.10PM | 6 Individual presentations on country conservation progress and actions:**Australia****New Caledonia****Palau****PNG****Solomon Islands** **Vanuatu** **Dugong and Seagrass Secretariat****Questions and Discussion** | 85m10m 10m10m10m10m10m10m15m | Total**Country technical advisers****Donna Kwan** |
| 2.30PM | **BREAK** |  |  |
| 3.00PM | Presentation on the new draft Dugong Action Plan | 20m | **Karen Baird** |
| 3.30PM | Discussion on draft Regional Action Plan; 2 breakout groups | 60m | 1. Australia/PNG/Palau
2. Solomons/Vanuatu/New Caledonia.

20 minutes to discuss each of 3 questions |
| 4.30PM  | Report back to Plenary | 30m | Breakout groups report back and next steps |
| 5.00PM | **FINISH** |  |  |
| Day 2: 29 July | **Seabird Action Plan. Introduction and Welcome** | **10m** | **Karen Baird (SPREP, Threatened and Migratory Species Adviser)****Moderator: Margaret West (Pacific BirdLife Director, PIRT Chair)** |
| 12.10PM | Seabirds of the Pacific* Pacific endemics
* Species distribution
* Species status
* Threats

Raising awareness & conservation | 10m | **BirdLife Pacific** |
| 12.20PM | **Theme: Cultural Significance and Value** |  |  |
|  | Cultural SignificanceUpdate on Vanuatu Video Collared Petrel harvesting (2016). | 10m | **TBC.** |
| 12.30PM | Making harvests sustainable  | 10m | **TBC** |
| 12.40PM | **Themes: Research and Monitoring; Legislation, Policy, and Management** |  |  |
|  | **Highlighting Pacific Partnerships** | 10m | **Video** |
| 12.50PM | Monitoring seabirds on Rarotonga and Subaru. | 10m | **Alanna Smith (Te Ipukarea Society)** |
| 1.00PM | **Theme: Climate change; Ecosystems and Habitat Protection; and Threat Reduction** |  |  |
|  | Threats overview | 10m | **Stephanie Borrelle (BirdLife Pacific)** |
| 1.10PM | Climate Change: Phoenix petrel & Polynesian storm petrel recovery plan- Kiribati | 10m | **TBC** |
| 1.20PM | Seabirds & Plastics in the Pacific  | 5m | **TBC** |
| 1.30PM | Predator Free Pacific | 10m | **Steve Cranwell (BirdLife)/David Moverley (SPREP, Invasive Species Adviser)** |
| 1.40PM | Rapa Island eradication | 10m | **Tehani Withers– SOP Manu (TBC)** |
| 1.50PM | Port-Based Outreach with high seas fishing vessels: Saving seabirds and supporting livelihoods. | 10m | **James Nagan (BirdLife Pacific)** |
| 1.57PM | Summary | 10m | **BirdLife Pacific** |
| 2.00PM | **BREAK** |  |  |
| 2.30PM | Presentation of the new draft Seabird Action Plan | 10m | Karen Baird  |
| 2.45PM | Opportunities - Training & surveys.- Colony database |  | Karen Baird Mark O’Brien (BirdLife) |
| 2.55PM | Discussion/Breakout groups | 60m |  |
| 3.55PM | Report back to Plenary | 30m | Breakout groups report back |
| 4.15PM | Wrap up and next steps | 15m | Karen Baird (SPREP) |
| 4.30PM | **FINISH** |  |  |
| Day 3: 30 July | **Marine Turtle Action Plan. Welcome and introduction** |  | **Karen Baird****Moderator: Jamie Davies (SPREP)** |
| 12.00PM | Conservation status of marine turtles and threats in the Pacific | 35m | **Dr Nicolas Pilcher**, Marine Research Foundation, Malaysia  |
| 12.40PM | Presentations on marine turtle research conservation work taking place in the Pacific:1.Work of the IUCN/SSC Marine Turtle Specialist Group in the Oceania Region.2. The Bycatch and Integrated Ecosystem Management Initiative (BIEM), turtle initiatives. 3. TREDS data base.4. NOAA’s work in Pacific and collaborative opportunities5. Developments in DNA.6.Arnarvon Islands and community conservation success story7. Turtle tracking from New Caledonia, where do they go and what does this mean for their conservation? | 15m10m10m10m10m10m10m20m | **Dr** **George Balazs**. Regional coordinator MTSG Oceania**Anissa Lawrence** (BIEM Project Manager).**Unity Roebeck** (SPREP Turtle Database and Conservation Officer).**Dr Irene Kelly**, Sea Turtle Recovery Coordinator, NOAA.**Dr** **Christine Hoff**, WWF Marine Turtle Use & trade Asia-Pacific Initiative LeadArnarvon group. **John Pita** TNC Coordinator Isabel Province. Video?**Dr Marc Oremus.** WWF Marine Programme coordinator New Caledonia Questions and discussion  |
| 2.00PM | **BREAK** |  |  |
| 2.30PM | Presentation and discussion on the draft Marine Turtle Action Plan | 20m | Karen Baird  |
| 3.00PM | Discussion/breakout groups  | 60m | 20m to discuss each of 3 questions |
| 4.00PM | Report back to Plenary | 30m | Breakout groups report back and next steps |
| 4.30PM | **FINISH** |  |  |
| WEEKEND 31 July |  |  |  |
| WEEKEND 1 August |  |  |  |
| Day 4: 2 Augus12.00PM  | **Sharks and Rays Action Plan. Welcome and introduction** |  | **Karen Baird****Moderator: Juney Ward (SPREP biodiversity Adviser)** |
| 12.05PM | Conservation status of sharks and threats in the Pacific | 30m5m | **Dr Andrew Chin** JCU Centre for Sustainable Tropical Fisheries and AquacultureQuestions and discussion |
| 12.40PM | Examples of conservation work happening on sharks and rays in the Pacific:1.Mobulid conservation in the Pacific.2.Sawfishes with case study Kikori Delta.3. Where have all the sharks gone?4. Shark Sanctuaries, are they working? | 80m15m15m15m15m20m | **Dr Luke Gordon. Project Leader Fiji Manta Trust Manta Trust** **Michael Grant** PhD candidate Centre for Sustainable Tropical Fisheries and Aquaculture, James Cook University.**Dr Glenn Sant** (Senior Advisor, fisheries Trade and Traceability, TRAFFIC)**Juney Ward**Questions and discussion |
| 2.00PM  | **BREAK** |  | **Half hour break** |
| 2.30PM | Presentation on the draft Sharks and Rays Action Plan | 20m | Karen Baird |
| 3.00PM | Discussion on draft Sharks and Rays Regional Action Plan | 60m | Breakout into 2 or 3 discussion groups  |
| 4.00PM  | Report back to Plenary | 30m | Breakout groups report back and next steps |
| 4.30PM | **FINISH** |  |  |
| Day 5: 3 August12.00PM | **Whale and Dolphin Action Plan. Welcome and Introduction.**   | **5mins** | **Karen Baird****Moderator: Mike Donoghue** |
| 12.05PM | Conservation status of whales and dolphins and threats in the Pacific | 35m | **Dr Cara Miller**  |
| 12.40PM | New research and conservation advances on whales and dolphins in the Pacific:**1.Stranding’s of Oceania database.****2.Marine debris and entanglement.****3.** **IWC bycatch initiative, Pacific perspectives.****4.** **IMMAs in the Pacific.****5.** **Kikori delta dolphins****6.** **Climate change and whales.** | 10m 10m10m10m10m10m20m | **Hannah Hendriks** (SPREP)**Dr David Mattila** (IWC)**Marguerite Tarzia** (Bycatch Coordinator IWC)**Dr Rochelle Constantine** (Associate Professor, School of Biological Sciences, University of Auckland)**Dr Isabel Beasley/Yolarnie Amepou (PIKU, PNG)****Dr Viv Tulloch**Questions and discussion |
| 2.00PM  | **BREAK** |  |  |
| 2.30PM | Presentation on the draft Whale and Dolphin Action Plan | 30m | Karen Baird |
| 3.00PM | Discussion on draft Regional Action Plan breakout groups | 60m | 3-4 breakout groups to discuss reach of 3 questions with 20m for each question |
| 4.00PM  | Report back to plenary | 30m | Breakout groups report back and next steps |
| 4.30PM | **FINISH** |  |  |
| 4 August  | **BREAK** |  |  |
| 5th and 6th August  | **Meeting of Signatories to the Pacific Cetacean MOU** |  |  |

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