

## Consultation Meeting - NCS and WIOMSA

Wednesday 10 February 2021

### Microsoft Teams

#### In Attendance

1. Timothy Andrew
  2. Jared Bosire
  3. Theuri Mwangi
  4. Bonface Mutisya
  5. Arthur Tuda - WIOMSA
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#### **The objective of the meeting**

The meeting was organized to further the collaboration between the Nairobi Convention Secretariat and the Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA). The specific objective of the meeting was to discuss the process of developing a Project Identification (PIF) for submission to the Global Environment Fund (GEF) to support activities in the proposed transboundary conservation area (TBCA) between Kenya and Tanzania.

#### **Notes**

Dr Arthur Tuda confirmed that WIOMSA will work with the Convention in developing the PIF. He added that they are working on Marine spatial planning in the TBCA with the Wildlife Conservation Society.

- He committed to sharing the documents for their engagement with WCS

Dr Bosire mentioned that the current work will build on the ongoing collaboration between the two institutions. He highlighted that the current initiatives on the TBCA will contribute to building a business case for the area which will be critical in pull resources that can support the two Governments in establishing collaborative management for the area.

- He proposed that WIOMSA could get a consultant to support the process of developing the PIF for submission to GEF

Dr Tuda mentioned that WIOMSA is having discussions on initiating stakeholder consultations on how to operationalize the co-management of the TBCA

- He highlighted that WOMSA was able to hire a consultant to develop the document based on the available information in the shortest time possible.
- He mentioned that the Convention and WIOMSA need to agree on the components of the PIF the work with the consultant in developing the PIF.

Dr Andrew mentioned that he will share the first draft of the PIF with WIOMSA which the consultant would build.

The meeting agreed to contact consultants who have a working relationship with the Convention and WIOMSA such as Prof Johnson Kitheka and Mr Kieran Kelleher among others.

The meeting agreed to develop terms of reference for the consultant based on the draft PIF.

The meeting agreed to have the draft PIF ready by the 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 for finalization and submission by the 24<sup>th</sup> of March 2021.

The meeting agreed to share the draft PIF with the countries seeking endorsement and the co-financing letters which have to be submitted with the PIF.