



## ASIA-PACIFIC FISHERY COMMISSION

### Executive Committee

### Seventy-fifth Session

Colombo, Sri Lanka, 11-13 November 2014

### PREPARATIONS FOR THE APFIC 6<sup>TH</sup> RCFM & 34<sup>TH</sup> SESSION

#### Venue and date of the 6<sup>TH</sup> RCFM and the 34<sup>TH</sup> APFIC Session

1. The host country will be the Sri Lanka and preparations will be made in consultation with the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development, Government of Sri Lanka. This will determine the venue and date of the 6<sup>th</sup> APFIC Regional Consultative Forum Meeting (6<sup>th</sup> RCFM) and the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of APFIC, which is tentatively set for early 2016 (note that this is still open for discussion).

#### Title of the 6<sup>th</sup> RCFM

2. The Secretariat has proposed the following working title: *"Promoting blue growth in the fisheries and aquaculture in the Asia-Pacific"*

#### Provisional agenda of the 6<sup>th</sup> RCFM

3. The following provisional agenda has been prepared by the Secretariat as a basis for discussion by the Executive Committee. The contents reflect the ongoing work of the Commission under its current workplan, but there is also scope for the inclusion of agenda items which the Executive Committee considers of importance or relevance to APFIC members. Comments on how to ensure the inclusion of member countries contributions in the most effective manner are also welcomed.

4. It is not expected that large parts of the agenda will be dedicated to country presentations on single themes as this will take too much time, however members are encouraged to provide posters on areas of their work relevant to the themes and there will be slots in the programme for short presentations.

## Draft agenda of the APFIC 6<sup>th</sup> RCFM

### *“Promoting Blue Growth in the fisheries and aquaculture in the Asia-Pacific”*

<b>OPENING &amp; PLENARY SESSION</b>	
<b>Day 1</b>	
<b>08.00-09.00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09.00-10.15</b>	<p><b>Opening Ceremony</b> Welcome remarks by the APFIC Chairman, the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development , Sri Lanka</p> <p>Address by the representative of the Assistant Director-General, FAO Fisheries Department</p> <p>Opening speech by the Minister, the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development , Sri Lanka</p>
<b>10.15-10 .45</b>	<p><b>Keynote address: “Blue growth for the future responsible management of fisheries and aquaculture in the Asia-Pacific”</b> <i>Representative of the FAO Department of Fisheries</i></p>
<b>10.45-11.15</b>	<b>Morning Tea/coffee</b>
<b>11.15-11.30</b>	<p><b>Forum arrangements</b> <i>Presentation by the APFIC Secretary</i> <i>Group photo</i></p>
<b>11.30-12.00</b>	<p><b>Regional overview of fisheries in the sub-regions of Asia (2016)</b> <i>APFIC Secretariat, FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific</i> <i>Covers resource assessments, status and trends in fisheries of the region.</i></p>
<b>12.00-12.30</b>	<p><b>Status and trends of aquaculture in the sub-regions of Asia (2016)</b> <i>APFIC Secretariat , FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific</i></p>
<b>12.30 -14.00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

<b>FISHERIES SESSION</b>	
<b>Day 1</b>	
<b>14.00-17.00</b>	<p><b>Session 1 - “Achieving blue growth in inland fisheries”</b> Outcomes of the FAO Global conference on inland fisheries The APFIC Regional guidelines on CBF An EAF approach for inland fisheries</p>
<b>Day 2</b>	
<b>09.00-12.30</b>	<p><b>Session 1 (cont.) - “Achieving blue growth in inland fisheries”</b> Country and regional examples of blue growth approaches in inland fisheries General discussion</p>
<b>13.00-14.30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

<b>14.30-17.30</b>	<p><b>Session 2 “Blue growth in marine fisheries”</b></p> <p>IUU in the APFIC region – nature and scope – APFIC/BOBLME/FAO review</p> <p>LME and GEF programme report back :</p> <p>ISLME - ecosystem approaches in the Indonesian seas</p> <p>“Strategies for management of trawl Bycatch” (REBYC II) findings</p> <p>BOBLME Strategic Action Programme and Phase II</p> <p>SEAFDEC REFUGIA</p> <p>South China Sea</p> <p>ATSEA Phase II</p> <p>Plenary discussion</p>
<b>Day 3</b>	
<b>09.00-11.00</b>	<p><b>Plenary Identification of :</b></p> <p>Recommendations for promoting blue growth in the APFIC region</p> <p>Regional opportunities and needs for capacity building</p> <p>Regional capacity building and training</p> <p>Future direction and expected areas of work (to improve coordination/reduce overlap between projects and programmes)</p> <p>Identify areas of overlap and interest; Improving communications; Propose potential future cooperation; General networking</p>

<b>AQUACULTURE SESSION</b>	
<b>Day 1</b>	
<b>14.00-14.45</b>	<p><b>Session 2 - “Blue growth in Asian aquaculture”</b></p> <p>Outcomes of FAO/APFIC Regional Consultation and regional blue growth initiative</p> <p>FAOs global blue growth programme</p>
<b>14.45-17.30</b>	<p><b>Theme I: Blue growth systems – traditional and modern</b></p> <p>Country and regional case examples of promoting blue growth aquaculture systems, traditional, modern</p> <p>As well as ways of restoring or rehabilitating systems</p> <p>Plenary discussion on key recommendations</p>
<b>Day 2</b>	
<b>08.30-11.00</b>	<p><b>Theme II: Operations and technology for enhancing blue growth</b></p> <p>regional case examples of effective operations and technology for enhancing blue growth</p> <p>Plenary discussion on key recommendations</p>
<b>11.00-12.30</b>	<p><b>Theme III - TBD</b></p> <p>Plenary discussion on key recommendations</p>
<b>13.00-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>14.00-17.30</b>	<p><b>Theme IV - TBD</b></p> <p>Plenary discussion on key recommendations</p>

Day 3	
08.30-10.30	<b>Plenary discussion on:</b> Key recommendations for the Theme Public and private sector cooperation

JOINT SESSION & CLOSING	
11.00-12.30	Presentation of the recommendations of the fisheries theme Presentation of the aquaculture sector public/private theme General discussion
12.30-14.30	<b>Lunch</b>
14.30-15.30	<b>Plenary Discussion Summary and recommendations for reporting to APFIC</b> <i>Summary and recommendations for APFIC</i>

### Provisional agenda of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of APFIC for consideration

5. Tentative Agenda of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session is suggested below.
6. To date, the agenda contains the following items for consideration and recommendations or endorsement by the Commission:
  - Outcomes and recommendations of the 5<sup>th</sup> Regional Consultative Forum Meeting
  - APFIC Regional guidelines for responsible culture-based fisheries and enhancement of inland fisheries
  - Regional IUU assessment method and results
  - Outcomes of the Regional initiative on Blue-Growth
  - The Bay of Bengal Strategic Action Programme
  - Recommendations to Asia-Pacific Regional Conference

Day1 MORNING, 09.00
<p><b>Opening Ceremony (09.00-10.15)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome remarks by FAO Representative to Sri Lanka</li> <li>• Welcome and introductory remarks by the APFIC Chairman, the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development, Sri Lanka</li> <li>• Introductory remarks by the Secretary, the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development, Sri Lanka</li> <li>• Inaugural speech by H.E. Agriculture Minister, the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development, Sri Lanka</li> </ul> <p><b>Adoption of the agenda and arrangements for the Session</b></p> <p><b>Agenda item 1:</b> Inter-sessional activities of APFIC</p> <p><b>Agenda item 2:</b> Report of the Seventy-fourth Executive Committee Meeting</p> <p><b>Agenda item 3:</b> Regional overview of fisheries and aquaculture in Asia and the Pacific</p>

<p><b>Agenda item 4:</b> Summary overview report of the outcomes of the Fifth APFIC RCFM and recommendations to the APRC</p>
<p><b>Day 1</b> <b>AFTERNOON, 13.30</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda item 5:</b> Country feedback and progress on previous APFIC recommendations and action plans</p> <p><b>Agenda item 6:</b> APFIC Regional guidelines for responsible culture-based fisheries and enhancement of inland fisheries</p> <p><b>Agenda item 7:</b> Regional IUU assessment method and results</p>
<p><b>Day 2</b> <b>MORNING, 09.00</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda item 8:</b> The Bay of Bengal Strategic Action Programme</p> <p><b>Agenda item 9:</b> Outcomes of the Regional initiative on Blue –Growth</p> <p><b>Agenda item 10:</b> APFIC’s programme of work in the coming biennium</p>
<p><b>Day 2</b> <b>AFTERNOON, 13.30</b></p>
<p><b>Agenda item 11:</b> Reports on achievements of regional organization partners</p> <p><b>Agenda item 12:</b> Other matters</p> <p><b>Agenda item 13:</b> Election of Officers</p> <p><b>Agenda item 14:</b> Date and place of thirty-fifth Session</p>
<p><b>Day 3</b> <b>MORNING, 09.00</b></p>
<p><b>Report available to delegates</b></p>
<p><b>Day 3</b> <b>AFTERNOON, 14.00</b></p>
<p><b>Adoption of report</b></p> <p><b>Closing of the session</b></p>

## **SUGGESTED ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

7. The Executive Committee is invited to advise the Secretariat on:
  - The dates for and amendments to the agenda of the 6<sup>th</sup> RCFM & 34<sup>th</sup> Session
  - Suggestions regarding the guidelines for endorsement by the Commission
  - Possible contributions to presentations by APFIC members.
  - Guidance for the poster session themes.