



Second Regional Planning of the Caribbean Platform for Nutrient Management

Facilitated by the GEF-Global foundations for reducing nutrient enrichment and oxygen depletion from land based pollution, in support of Global Nutrient Cycle (GEF-GNC) Project

February 24-25, 2016

Venue – Hilton Hotel, Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago

Agenda

Objectives:

- To understand the current priorities in respect to nutrient management in the region
- To agree on a plan of action for the operationalization of the Caribbean Platform for Nutrient Management
- To agree on mechanisms for mainstreaming and building sustainability for the Platform into existing frameworks
- To identify immediate opportunities from ongoing or planned projects to support nutrient related activities in the region

Time	Session	Detail	Lead Resource person(s)
DAY 1: 24th February, 2016			
8:30 -9:00	Registration		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNEP Secretariat
9:00 - 9:20	Opening remarks	Welcome by the Institute of Marine Affairs (IMA), the Global Partnership on Nutrient Management (GPNM), the United Nations Environment (UNEP) and the Ministry of Planning and Development, with very brief perspectives on the issues of interest.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toylan Arneaud, Director (Ag.) IMA, Trinidad & Tobago • Dr. Lorna Inniss, Coordinator, UNEP Car/RCU • Vincent Sweeney, Head, Caribbean Sub-Regional Office • Dr. Greg Crosby, Chair, GPNM • Hon. Minister, Ministry of Planning & Development, Trinidad & Tobago (TBC)
9:20 - 9:30	Participant introduction		
9:30 – 9:40	Workshop Objectives and expectations	Outline of the agenda, the workshop objectives and the learning objectives.	Dr. Christopher Cox, UNEP-GPA and GPNM Secretariat
9:40 – 10:00	UNEP’s GPA, the Global Partnership on Nutrient Management (GPNM) and relationship with the Caribbean Regional Seas Programme	Overview of the GPNM and relationship within UNEP’s Global Programme of Action for Protection of the Marine Environment	Dr. Greg Crosby, GPNM Chair Dr. Christopher Cox, UNEP-GPA and GPNM Secretariat
		Contextual relationship of the GPNM within the Caribbean regional Seas Programme with emphasis on the Land-based Sources of Marine Pollution Protocol and the development of the first State of Convention Area Report (SOCAR)	Chris Corbin, Programme Officer, UNEP
10:00 – 10:15	BREAK		
10:15 – 10:45	Overview of status of the Caribbean Platform	Recap of the lead-up to the establishment of the Caribbean Nutrient Platform, expectations and recommendations from the inaugural meeting of 2013	Dr. Clement Lewsey, NOS-NOAA
10:45 – 12:30	The national context and issues relating to nutrient management	Brief overviews on (i) relevant emerging issues/impacts, (ii) response measures and (iii) existing national governance frameworks and gaps/challenges where assistance is required <i>Presentations must be no longer than 10 minutes per country</i>	Country representatives
12:30 – 1:30	LUNCH		
1:30 - 2:30	National perspectives on nutrient management and emergent issues	Brief agency perspectives on ongoing support work at regional and national levels to address challenges with focus on wastewater nutrient recovery, nutrient use efficiency in agriculture and runoff management, advocacy for pollution control, sectoral responses to nutrient challenge. <i>Presentations must be no longer than 10 minutes per agency</i>	Attending agencies
2:30 – 2:45	BREAK		



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2:45 – 4:30	Proposed workplan for the regional platform	Presentation of the draft Operational Plan for the Caribbean Platform – developed based on recommendations from 2012 inaugural meeting	Dr. Clement Lewsey, NOS-NOAA

DAY 2: 25th February 2016

9:00 – 9:10	Recap of Day 1		Dr. Christopher Cox, UNEP-GPA
9:10 – 10:00	Reflections on the draft Platform Operational Plan proposal	Facilitated discussion on the elements of the proposal in consideration of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • priority areas based on emerging issues, • linkages to existing frameworks and the global SGD agenda • operational structure of the Platform, • contribution of the Platform ongoing and planned national efforts (mainstreaming), • contribution to regional advocacy strategies to ensure broad based buy-in from diverse stakeholders • partnership building 	Facilitated by Dr. Clement Lewsey
10:00 – 10:20	BREAK		
10:20 – 12:30	Governance arrangements of the Platform	Facilitated discussion on platform governance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead national government to focal point on the GPNM (global level) • Regional host agency arrangements/ expectations • National representation on Platform national focal point designates, roles/expectations • Non-governmental representation and roles • Inter-agency cooperation mechanisms • Succession of platform chairmanship 	Facilitated by Dr. Greg Crosby, GPNM
12:30 – 1:30	LUNCH		
1:30 – 3:00	Building sustainability of the Platform	Discussion on recommendations on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource mobilization - international and regional-level funding • Establishing relationship within the Caribbean Regional Seas governance mechanism(s) • Establishing relationship within the wider OECS and CARICOM environmental governance frameworks • Private and non-governmental stakeholder engagement • Building a communications and outreach strategy that enhances communications both within the platform and with external audiences 	Facilitated by Christopher Corbin, UNEP Car/RCU
3:00 – 3:45	BREAK		
3:45 – 4:30	Next steps	Summary of core recommendations and next steps with focus on upcoming activities/programmes that might support of the work of the GPNM Platform or related regional issues could be highlighted	Dr. Christopher Cox, UNEP-GPA

About the Global Partnership on Nutrient Management

The Global Partnership on Nutrient Management (GPNM) is a multi-stakeholder partnership comprising of governments, private sector, scientific community, civil society organizations and UN agencies committed to promote effective nutrient management to achieve the twin goals of food security through increased productivity and conservation of natural resources and the environment. The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), through the Coordination of Office of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities (GPA), provides the Secretariat of GPNM. For more information visit <http://unep.org/gpa/gpnm/gpnm.asp>