FFA/SPC 1st ROUNDTABLE CONSULTATION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DEVFISH2 PROJECT

PURPOSE

- The purpose of this duty travel was to review and update the initial activity matrix formulated at the first Project Steering Committee Meeting in February 2011; and finalise the areas of work component 1 and 2 of the DevFish II project, for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012.
- It also gave SPC NFDS and FFA staff the opportunity to plan and coordinate activities outside the DevFish project.

ATTENDEES

- FFA: James Movick; Len Rodwell; Hugh Walton; Mark Young; and Leonard Paia.
- **SPC:** Michel Blanc; William Sokimi; Timothy Numilengi; Jonathan Manieva; Brian Scott; and Michael Sharp.

OUTCOME

- The review and update took account of identified activity priorities in each project result area and prioritized and incorporated a range of direct country requests received accordingly as regional (sub-regional) and national interventions.
- FFA senior management highlighted some priority needs requested at FFC which was noted into the annual work plan accordingly.
- There was a general consensus on a range of regional and sub regional initiatives where both agencies would utilize in house technical support. The process of coordination and liaison between FFA and SPC was reconfirmed to effectively plan and coordinate project intervention.
- Gender sensitivity was echoed as important element, from the point of view of the project mandate and also FFA and SPC agendas, so this was highlighted in appropriate result area.
- It was agreed that both components 1 & 2 (Development & IUU) undertake measures in traineeship theme in capacity building, such as internship.
- The output of the review and update of the activity matrix is the substantive proposed work plan for year 2 (the final work plan is attached to this document).
- It was agreed (Hugh/Michel) that all country or regional requests and DevFish trip reports will be forwarded to the sister organization as a standard practice.
- Involvement of Tim (FDO- Post-harvest and Exports) in coming audits and consultancies also agreed.
- Development of regional CA training package will go to tender, with Tim (SPC) and Robert (FFA) integrated in consultancy TORs (liaison persons for both organizations).
- Idea of a joint (Robert and Tim) scoping visit to Solomon Islands CA raised need to prioritize needs and plan inputs.
- Niue sport fishing feasibility study/training of guides (scheduled in September): DevFish-2 will
 contribute to costs (purchase of fishing gear for training), SPC will cover consultant's costs.
- Work plan for each member of the NFDS team were identified and this intervention is to be integrated and coordinated with DevFish activities.
- Development of a plan and funding arrangement (between SPC and FFA) for the bagan / pole and line project to be implemented in PNG (September), Marshal Islands (November), and Kiribati (TBD). Refer attachment 3 for further details.

NARRATIVE / KEY MEETING POINTS

Saturday 28 May 2011

- 10am flight to Nadi. Arrived Nadi 1pm. Accommodation: Hexagon Hotel.
- Afternoon meeting between SPC and FFA going through the proposed annual work plan and make amendments where necessary for component 1.

Sunday 29 May 2011

- Morning meeting between SPC (DevFish2) and FFA to go through the proposed annual work plan and make amendments where necessary for component 2.
- Morning meeting between SPC (NFDS) and FFA (Robert Stone) to discuss and plan for the bagan / pole and line project that is to run in PNG, MI and Kiribati.
- Afternoon meeting to finalise work areas under component 1 for July 2011 to June 2012.

Monday 30 May 2011

- Informal morning meetings between FFA and SPC (refer attachment 3 for details).
- 4pm flight from Nadi to Noumea. Arrived Noumea 6pm.

FOLLOW UP

- 1. SPC Fisheries Development Officers to provide list of identified work areas to facilitate coordination with DevFish2.
- 2. Final version of Annual Work Plan to be circulated between key stakeholders.
- 3. Coordination and timing work areas between SPC/FFA/DevFish to be determined.
