

*An occasional newsletter to update members of SWIOFP on current developments.*

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**Administration**

- The SWIOFP secretariat continued to facilitate the extensive finance and travel arrangements for the various regional activities underway. These are complex arrangements considering the large number of countries involved. Ms Paula Boane has been at the forefront of these activities.

**Project activities**

- Results from the 2<sup>nd</sup> data workshop in Mombasa dealing with data management were circulated to participants by the KMFRI team.
- Contributions emanating from this data workshop were incorporated by MCM's Dr. Johan Groeneveld into Version 2 of the *Pre-appraisal Science Plan*. Some additional contributions were added following the operations workshop so that the plan now has seven components with more than 40 activities falling into 15 sub-components as follows:

Component Number	Component	Sub-component	No. of activities
1	Data and Information	1. Fisheries data collection and evaluation	5
		2. SWIOFP data atlas	4
		3. Establish IT and data management structure	4
2	Assessment and sustainable use of crustacean resources	1. Deep water crustaceans	3
		2. Shallow-water crustaceans	5
3	Assessment and sustainable use of demersal fishes	1. Deep water fishes	4
		2. Shallow-water fishes	4
4	Assessment and sustainable use of pelagic fishes	1. Large pelagics	2
		2. Small pelagics	4
		3. "Super-small" pelagics	4
5	Fishing pressure assessment, monitoring and surveillance	1. Monitoring	2
		2. Surveillance	2
6	Identification and assessment of non-consumptive living resources	1. Mapping of such resources	-
		2. Interactions with fisheries	-
		3. Bio-indicators of ecosystem health	-
7	Development of SWIOFP management structures	1. Compliance	1
		2. Policy & legislation	1

## Second Operations & Procurement Workshop

The second workshop dealing with operations and procurement was held in Zanzibar, co-hosted by TAFIRI and the Zanzibar fishery authorities, including the Institute of Marine Sciences (IMS) of the University of Dar es Salaam. This workshop was well attended with six of the participating countries present– (France and Comoros were not able to attend). There was a strong contingent from the World Bank which assisted with the deliberations. A number of key issues were debated at this three-day workshop:

- Each of the activities detailed under the sub-components was broken down into individual action steps which formed the basis of anticipated funding needs. These were incorporated into a costing template which will be presented to the January 2005 Plenary as a preliminary indication of activities and costs.
- Attention was also given to individual countries' needs to implement certain of the sub-components and, accordingly, to the manpower and other resource contributions these countries would be committing to the SWIOFP project. The need for a competent regional management structure was highlighted, as well as the desirability of creating a dedicated SWIOFP office with appropriate IT and laboratory infrastructure.
- With assistance of the World Bank delegation, a number of regional funding and disbursement procedures were clarified.
- The workshop generated a large amount of information which is being amalgamated into an overall model of activities.

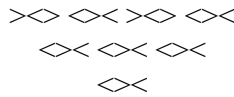
### Other activities

- The Madagascar delegation had circulated an initial draft of options for a *project management* structure. These will be further articulated at a special session one day prior to the January 2005 Plenary in Maputo.
- Unfortunately there had been little progress with the *legal issues* portfolio tasked to be developed by France. This matter was becoming urgent and alternatives would be explored.
- There had been considerable positive contact with other initiatives and structures with a view to future collaboration and sharing of resources. These included the LME initiative, the SW Indian Ocean Fisheries Commission and others.

## Updated Table of Activities reflecting approximate time schedules

INTERIM PROGRESS & PLANS			
<i>Task / Theme</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
<i>Secretariat</i>	Plan for 4 <sup>th</sup> plenary (Pre-appraisal)	Underway	12 – 15 January 2005
	Plan for 5 <sup>th</sup> plenary (final appraisal)	Preliminary stage only	March 2005
	Maintain SWIOFP website; initiate “FishChat”	Ongoing	
	Final version of project submitted	Basic framework conceived	Mid 2005
	Interface with other WIO projects; establish links	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Project Launch	-	Late 2005
<i>Science Plan</i> (MCM-S.Afr)	Integrate submitted information into single costing model.	Underway Project advisor	15 December 2004
	Incorporate other workshop recommendations– develop science plan with cost estimates	Underway	Mid January 2005
<i>Data Management</i> (KMFRI-Kenya)	Questionnaire circulated and submitted by institutions	Underway, countries need to reply urgently	30 Sept.

	Final data & IT plan + Workshop	Pending questionnaire submissions	Mid October 04, Mombasa
<b>Operations &amp; Procurement</b> (TAFIRI- Tanzania)	Harmonise procurement procedures	Ongoing	
	Finalise procurement plan	Underway	End 2004
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Specialist workshop	Planned	1 <sup>st</sup> week December-Zanzibar
<b>Legal issues</b> (France)	Questionnaire to focal points	Completed	30 Sep 04
	Collate response from focal points	Underway	?
	Workshop	To be planned	?
<b>Project management</b> (Madagascar)	Draft management plan developed	Achieved	
	Circulate plan for comment.	Underway	31 Oct 04
	Specialist workshop	Planned	Prior to Plenary: 11 January 2005
<b>National Focal Points</b>	Appoint team of specialists	Achieved	Sustain
	Workshop to develop country needs and expectations; document prepared	Achieved, need for confirmation.	
	Review and confirm draft budget	Underway	31 December 2004



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