



**UNDP/GEF PROJECT ENTITLED "REDUCING ENVIRONMENTAL STRESS IN THE
YELLOW SEA LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEM"**

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**Second Meeting of the Regional Working Group
for the Ecosystem Component**
Shanghai, China, 29 November to 2 December 2005

Provisional Annotated Agenda

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

1.1 Welcome addresses

On behalf of the UNDP/GEF Yellow Sea Project, the Project Manager or his representative will open the meeting, and welcome all participants. S/he will briefly introduce the objectives of the meeting.

The RWG-E Chairperson will be invited to give an address.

1.2 Introduction of members

At the First RWG-E Meeting, members agreed that the Chairperson of the RWG-E should also chair the RWG-E Meetings. The Chairperson will invite participants to introduce themselves, and make statements to the Meeting, if they wish (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/inf.2).

2. ORGANISATION OF THE MEETING

2.1 Documentation Available to the Meeting

The Chairperson will invite the Secretariat to introduce the meeting documents (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/inf.1), prepared by the PMO. Major working documents were made available to all members before the meeting.

2.2 Organisation of Work

The Chairperson will invite the Secretariat to introduce this agenda item, referring to Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/inf.3.

3. ADOPTION OF THE MEETING AGENDA

The Chairperson will introduce the Provisional Agenda (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/1) and the Annotated Provisional Agenda (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/2).

Members will be invited to propose amendments and additional items for consideration, and adopt the agenda.

4. EXPECTED OUTPUTS FROM THE 2ND RWG-E MEETING

The Chairperson will invite the Secretariat to introduce Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/4, and explain the expected outputs from this Meeting.

Keeping in mind that the results from the first two years' activities should contribute to the preparation of the Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis, members will be invited to note the expected outputs during the meeting, and to propose additional outputs to fulfil the objectives of the Project and this Meeting.

5. CONSIDERATION OF ON-GOING ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ECOSYSTEM COMPONENT

5.1 Data and Information Collection

The Chairperson will invite representatives from Korea National Fisheries Research and Development Institute and First Institute of Oceanography - China, who have been contracted to implement the data & information collection activity, to present their collected data and information and progress reports following the format provided by the PMO (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/5).

Experts from these institutions will be invited to describe the quality of, and difficulties and barriers to collecting data, highlighting the gaps and showing the status of the ecosystem. Moreover, in the light of the newly collected data and information, speakers will describe the condition of the Yellow Sea ecosystem, relating this to the list of perceived problems identified during the 1st RWG-E Meeting.

Members will be invited to review the data and information collected and the progress reports, recommend suggestions for completing the activity, and based on the data presented, revise the preliminary causal chain and governance analyses carried out during the 1st RWG-E Meeting. A proposed method for carrying out governance analysis (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-I.2/6) was discussed and revised at the 2nd RWG-I Meeting.

Members will also be invited to suggest how the data and information should be included in the TDA, and the context in which inputs should be included.

5.2 Co-operative Study Cruises

The Chairperson will invite the Secretariat to present the outcomes and agreements of the Technical Meeting for the Co-operative Study Cruises (17-18 October 2005) (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/JC.1/3).

Members will be invited to consider necessary technical details of the joint cruise, and to decide on the workplan and responsibilities to finalise the preparation of the ecosystem component of the co-operative study cruise.

6. ACTIVITIES TO BE IMPLEMENTED DURING 2005 TO 2006

- 6.1 Regional Data and Information Synthesis
- 6.2 Regional Synthesis for Assessing Carrying Capacity
- 6.3 Regional Synthesis for Identifying and Ranking Stresses on the Ecosystem
- 6.4 Strategy for Monitoring Changes in Ecosystem
- 6.5 Demonstration of New and Innovative Technologies for Monitoring Ecosystem

The Chairperson will invite the Secretariat to present these activities (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/6). It should be noted that the preparation of regional syntheses will be a very important contribution to the preparation of regional TDA.

Members will be invited to suggest implementation mechanisms, and revise the descriptions for these activities. Members will be also invited to consider appropriate candidates for the preparation of the syntheses.

- 6.6 Capacity Building – Regional Workshop on Remote Sensing

In the context of the possibility of new partners joining the Project and enhancing capacity in the region, members will be invited to consider and agree on the kinds of capacity building activities that might be needed, and how best to use the funds for the proposed activities (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/7).

- 6.7 Preparation of the Ecosystem Component in the Draft TDA

In addition to the regional syntheses, the members of the regional working group will be invited to consider appropriate technical means to carry out the transboundary diagnostic analysis and causal chain analysis, based on the data and information collected.

Members will be invited to consider the required contribution from the Regional Working Group of Ecosystem to the preparation of the TDA.

7. WORKPLAN FOR 2005 TO 2006

The Chairperson will invite the Secretariat to introduce Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/8, the project workplan of the Regional Working Group.

Members will be invited to review and revise the workplan for the Regional Working Group – Ecosystem, for submission and approval at the 2nd PSC Meeting.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Members will be invited to raise any other issues that need to be considered by this Meeting.

9. DATE AND PLACE FOR 3RD RWG-ECOSYSTEM MEETING

Members will be invited to offer to host the next RWG-E Meeting, and agree on the dates and venue for the next Meeting.

10. ADOPTION OF THE MEETING REPORT

The Chairperson and Secretariat will present the draft meeting report (Document UNDP/GEF/YS/RWG-E.2/3).

The draft report will be discussed, amended and approved by the meeting.

11. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

The Chairperson will call a motion to close the meeting.