MINUTES OF 06th MEETING National Multi-Stakeholder Group Meeting Fisheries Transparency Initiative

Date: Tuesday 17th December 2019

Venue: 04th Floor Oliaji Building, Meeting Room.

Time: 13.30 hours

Members present:

- 1. Mr. Beatty Hoareau, Fishermen Boat Owner's Association (FBOA)
- 2. Mr. Philippe Michaud, National FiTI coordinator/Blue Economy.
- 3. Dr. Marie-Thérèse Purvis, representing the Civil Society of Seychelles (CEPS).
- 4. Mr. Cyril Bonnelame (Transparency Initiatives Seychelles).

Invitee:

1. Mr. Abel Sorry, FiTI focal person.

Members absent:

- 1. Mr. Grant Heyer, representing the Civil Society of Seychelles (CEPS).
- 2. Mr. Peter Purvis, representing the Industrial Fleet.
- 3. Ms. Gabriela Gonthier, Youth Representative
- 4. Mr. Jude Talma, Principal Secretary of Fisheries representing the Government.
- 5. Ms. Chantal Ghislain, Honourable Member of the National Assembly.
- 6. Mr. Roy Fonseka representing the Private Sector/Leader of the Opposition

Agenda.

- 1. Endorsement of Minutes of fifth Meeting.
- 2. Matters Arising
- 3. Candidature Application
- 4. Any other Business.

	Items of Discussion.	Action by
	Introduction	
	Mr. Philippe Michaud- FiTI National Lead chaired the meeting, which started at 1:30 pm.	National FiTI Coordinator.
	He gave a brief account on the status of FiTI as it is and also informed the meeting of the expected changes	
	In the meantime, all members will be kept abreast of what is happening under the different initiatives as well as other administrative processes concerned with the Seychelles FiTI secretariat.	
1.0	Endorsement of Minutes of fifth Meeting.	All members
	All members present endorsed unanimously the Minutes of the 05th NMSG-FiTI meeting.	
2.0	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Mr. Michaud reiterated the importance of having alternates for the NMSG as it was obvious from the attendance that some members could not attend and could have sent their alternate instead.	National FiTI Coordinator.
2.2	Financing the FiTI International Secretariat	
2.2.1	Seychelles is still discussing with the World Bank on projects and programmes for the FiTI International Secretariat. The institution is also willing to support Seychelles FiTI financially.	

3.0	Candidature Application	
	Mr. Sven Biermann the Executive Director for FiTI will be in Seychelles next week (for 4 days).	
	During his stay in Seychelles, he is expected to:	
	- Follow up with Registry in order to register the FiTI International Secretariat as an Association, if everything goes according to plan.	
4.1	Mr. Sven Biermann will conduct several interviews during the week that he will be in Seychelles, for the recruitment of the FiTI Administrative Assistant and attend meetings with the Departments of Finance and Economic Planning, Ambassador of Germany, Attorney General and FiTI members who might be available for the meeting.	
4.2	The German Government has been supportive to Mr. Sven Biermann, so he will be taking the opportunity to extend his appreciation during their visit in the country and maybe establish a greater cooperation with them in the near future.	
4.3	The Administrative Assistant for FiTI who will be recruited will work in close collaboration with the Executive Director for the FiTI International Secretariat.	
5.0	Any Other Business.	
5.1	Mr. Beaty Hoareau wanted some clarifications as regards to if the 700,000USD from Moore Foundation has already been paid to finance the FiTI here in Seychelles and if. Mr. Michaud informed him that the funds are now available and is being currently overseen by the International FiTI secretariat. The	Mr. Beaty Hoareau.
5.2	There was another point raised regarding how the work of the National Multi-Stakeholder will synchronize with that of the FiTI International Secretariat. Mr. Michaud informed the meeting that all work of the different bodies of the FiTI will be done through a framework as explained in the Fisheries Transparency Initiative Constitution which underlines transparency throughout its contents.	Mr. Bonnelame.

Having no other matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 14.20 hours.
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