

Call of 6 September 2022 | 2:00 AM Cairo Time

Participants

Present

- Lisa Ralph, CCP New-Zealand, Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI)
- Scott Mersch, CCP Australia
- John Read, CCP Australia
- Prof. Samuel Godefroy, GForSS.

Regrets

- Coordinator for CCNSWP, Fiji
- Member for SWP, Vanuatu

Introductory Notes

Initially, the meeting was intended to introduce the SWP Codex Initiative, funded by the USCO, to the Coordinator for CCNSWP and the member for SWP. However, due to their inability to attend due to other pressing matters, the meeting was utilized to introduce the SWP Codex Initiative to Lisa (CCP NZ) and to discuss efforts of engagement with SWP countries.

Key Decisions and Recommendations

- ❖ The option of organizing an outreach session intended for CCNSWP, prior to the next CAC meeting, funded by the SWP initiative was endorsed by call participants.
- ❖ A tentative date was identified for the week of 6 November, 2022.
- ❖ CCP Australia / CCP NZ will survey CCPs in the region for their willingness and availability to participate.
- ❖ The meeting will serve as an opportunity to re-engage with CCPs in the region to discuss Codex priorities and to prepare, not only for Commission discussions, but also for the upcoming CCNSAWP.
- ❖ The meeting will also be an opportunity to prioritize Codex capacity building interventions for the region, including priority Codex Committees.
- ❖ It was agreed that S. Godefroy would develop a proposed agenda for the meeting which will be shared and discussed at an upcoming call.
- ❖ The location of the meeting was discussed and the proposed location would be selected based on ease of connectivity from the majority of Pacific Island Countries. As a result, NZ (Auckland or Wellington) would likely be selected as the preferred venue.
- ❖ Upon confirming interest, further discussions will be held on the meeting structure and arrangements.
- ❖ Discussions were also held to identify a mechanism for enhanced coordination and to sustain investments in Codex capacities, mirroring other regions, where such efforts have been carried out. No such structure, at the Pacific level, was identified at the present time – further discussion on this matter will be carried out.