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Proposed Training and Capacity Building Activities

This document provides some ideas and suggestions for members to consider under Agenda Item 6.6 of this meeting, focusing on the prospective training and capacity building activities.

Agenda 6.6

Capacity building, through training workshops, has been identified by project partners as a necessary activity. Members should keep in mind that one of objectives of this project is to upgrade national capacities in marine and coastal environment studies and management. Therefore, to attain this objective, it is critical for the RWG-E to consider what some of the necessary activities should be, not only to benefit the younger scientists, but also to apply new technologies and techniques in research and monitoring activities. Referring to the Ecosystem Component Activity List, members should come to an agreement on the workshop(s) they would like to implement, provide some guidance on the contents for training, and prioritise the workshops.

Members of the RWG-E will be invited to consider these activities briefly described below. For each of the workshops, where possible, members should provide:

- objective of workshop;
- a list of trainees and trainer(s) and/or targeted participants;
- as detailed as possible, the training programme; and
- venue and dates.

A. Regional Remote Sensing Workshop

This is one of the suggested actions under the activity, “Status of Ecosystem – Activity 3. Demonstration of new and innovative technologies for monitoring.” Members should discuss and agree on the objectives of this workshop, and how the workshop should be organised. Below are some options for how the workshop could be organised:

1. It may be limited to the Ecosystem Component, or it may include other relevant components. The budget for the workshop should be considered when deciding how broad the workshop theme should be.

2. The workshop could be a training workshop in using remote sensing to monitor the ecosystem.
3. The workshop could be a forum for scientists and managers to present, discuss, and exchange their views on using remote sensing to monitor the Yellow Sea ecosystem.

B. Training on Carrying Capacity

This is one of the suggested actions under the activity, “Carrying Capacity of Ecosystem – Activity 1. Establish the logistical and data requirements of estimating carrying capacity.” Members should consider the focus of this training workshop. Some issues to consider are:

- Will the training focus on estimating carrying capacity of all or only lower trophic levels?
- What sectors of the population should be targeted for this training?
- Should the training course focus on the use of any preferred models?
- When (where) is an approximate time that this workshop should be held?
- Resource person(s) needed for the workshop (number, expertise, etc.).

C. Others

Members are invited to propose other capacity building activities that they feel are needed in this region, and for achieving the objectives of the Project.