

#### CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE

ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY

# Progress Towards the Development of the Six Country Coral Triangle Marine Protected Area System (CTMPAS)

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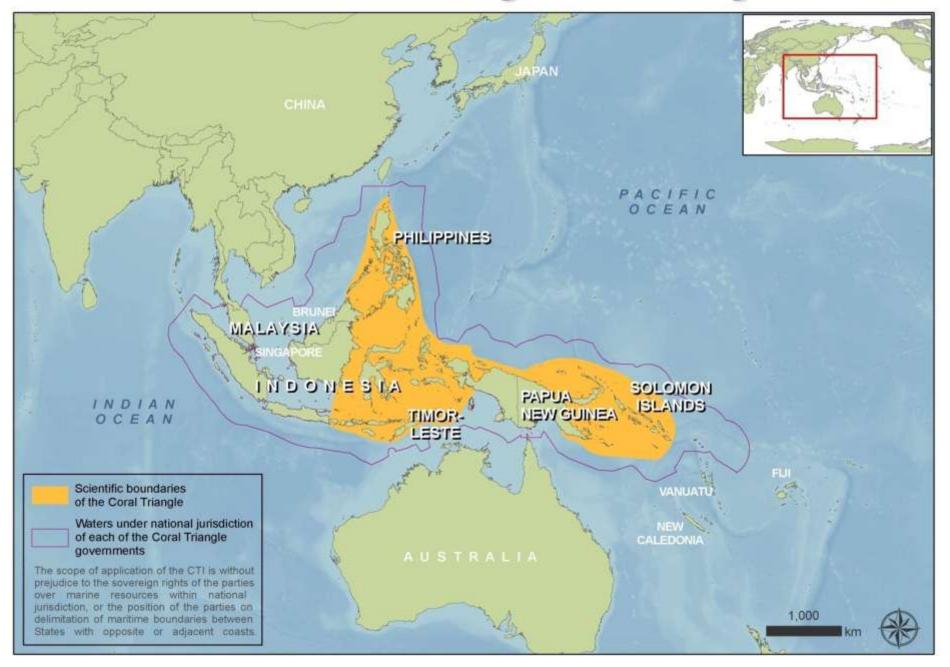








#### Coral Triangle Region



# May 15, 2009 Coral Triangle Heads of State Launch the Initiative!



#### **CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action M&E Framework**

**Impact:** Improvement in the affordability, availability and quality and safety of food coming from coastal and marine resources

#### **Higher level outcome 1:**

Coral reef ecosystem integrity and services maintained.

**Outcome Indicators** 

#### **Higher level outcome 2:**

Fish stocks improved and sustained.

**Outcome Indicators** 

**Output Indicators** 

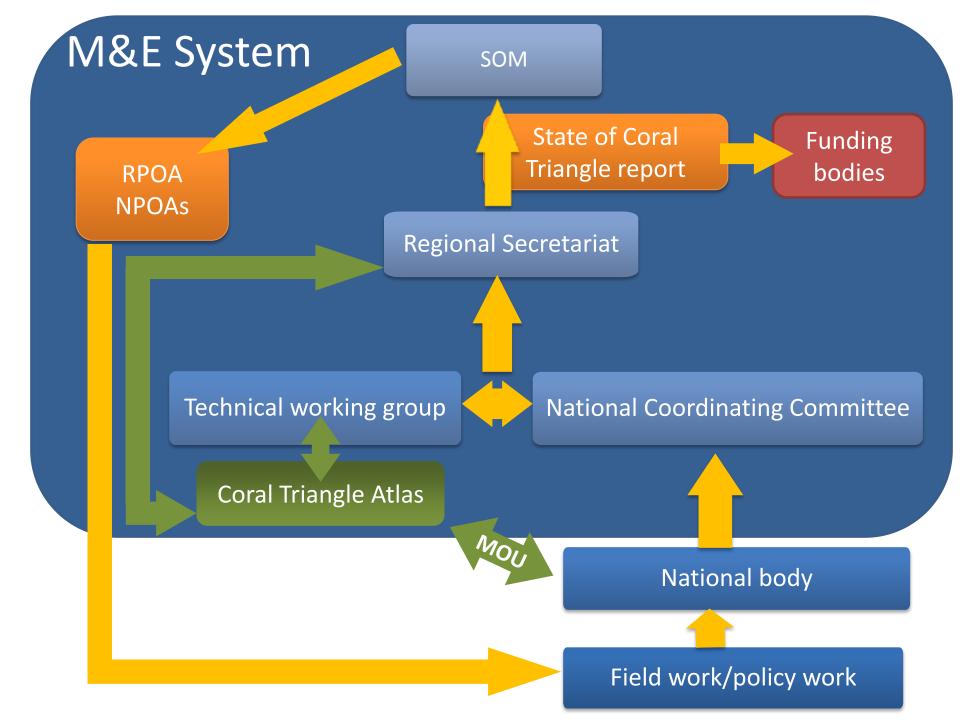
Priority Seascapes

**CCA** 

**MPAs** 

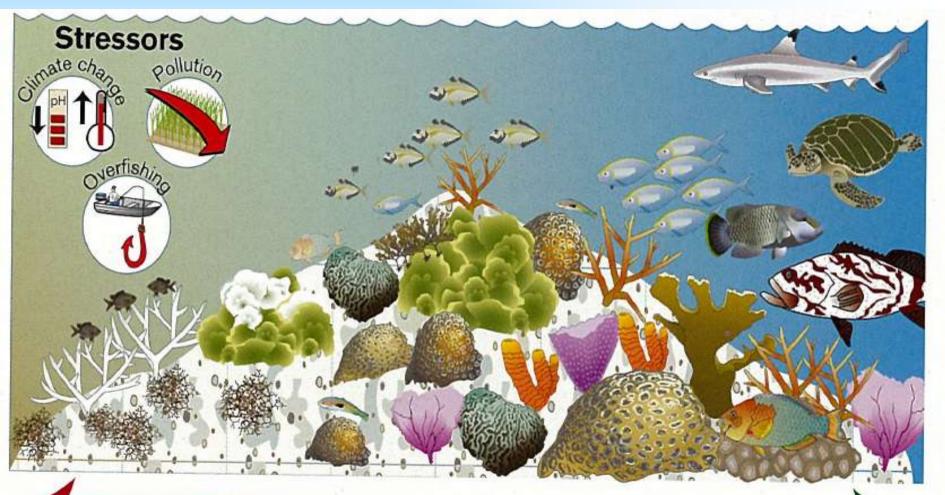
**EAFM** 

**Endangered Species** 



### MPAs are critical to healthy oceans and reefs (fisheries, income, biodiversity, resilience)

**Credit: Conservation International** 



Increasing stressors

Increasing reef health

### Few "Effective" Coral Triangle MPAs

(WRI 2012 and CT Atlas)



### CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action MPA Goal 3 Target and Indicators...

By 2020: "Region-wide Coral Triangle-MPA-System (CTMPAS) in place and fully functional"

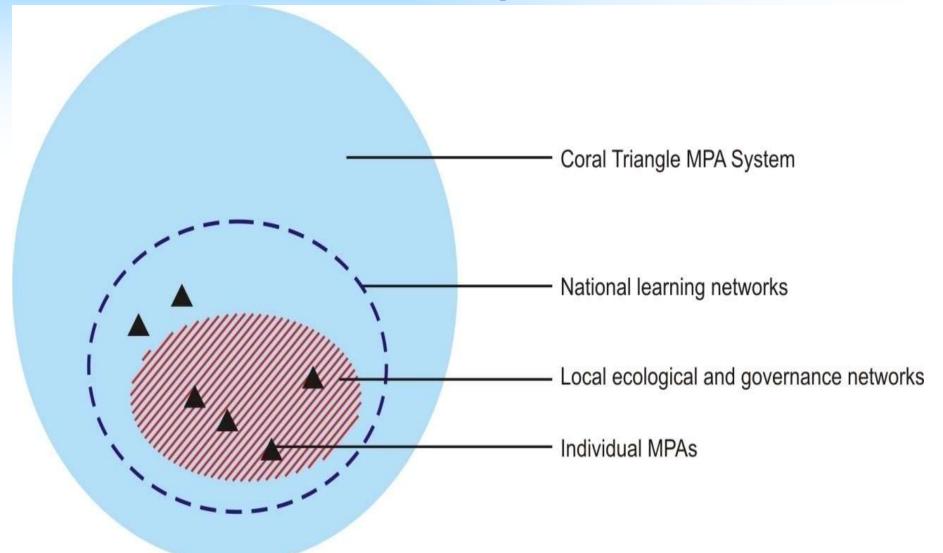
- 1. CTMPAS Framework developed and adopted by CT6
- 2. Percent/area of total **marine habitat** area in CT region in marine protected or managed areas
- 3. Percent/area of each major marine and coastal habitat type in protected "no-take replenishment zones"
- 4. Percent/Area of MPAs under "effective" management
- 5. Percent/Area of MPAs included in CTMPAS

# MPA Technical Working Group (TWG) Events...Leading to CTMPAS Framework and Action Plan

### 4 Regional Exchanges, 1 write-shop and TWG meetings:

- ➤ 2010-REX-Phuket: Define MPA networks and purpose of CTMPAS
- ➤ 2011-REX-Batangas: Develop MPA management effectiveness standards and systems
- ➤ 2012-REX-Sanur: **Develop CTMPAS Framework**; TWG Meeting
- ➤ 2012-Manila: **Draft Full CTMPAS Framework**; TWG Meeting
- ➤ 2013-REX-Honiara: **Finalize CTMPAS Framework** and **Action Plan**; TWG Meeting

## Coral Triangle MPA System Basic Design



### Strategies in Developing Coral Triangle MPA System Framework and Action Plan

"The CTMPAS should include most critical resources and the full range of use categories." CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action, 2009

**Strategy I**: Use and strengthen existing regional mechanisms, partners, programs, in developing and operating the CTMPAS

**Strategy 2**: Prioritize activities that develop effective MPAs and networks/sites that can immediately contribute strength or effectiveness to a regional network or system

**Strategy 3**: Start and learn with "flagship" MPA sites that are already established, managed and of high conservation value. Phase-in other prioritized sites that fill regional conservation and management gaps....

**Strategy 4**: Define and recognize four Categories of Sites in the CTMPAS

**Strategy 5**: Direct governance and socioeconomics to protect ecosystem functions



## CTMPAS Design Principles & Objectives & Criteria

ecosystem
function,
fisheries, CCA,
biodiversity,
threatened
species

Governance
regional, national local, information,
M&E

Society—
communications,
learning networks,
livelihood,
resource use

CT MPAS

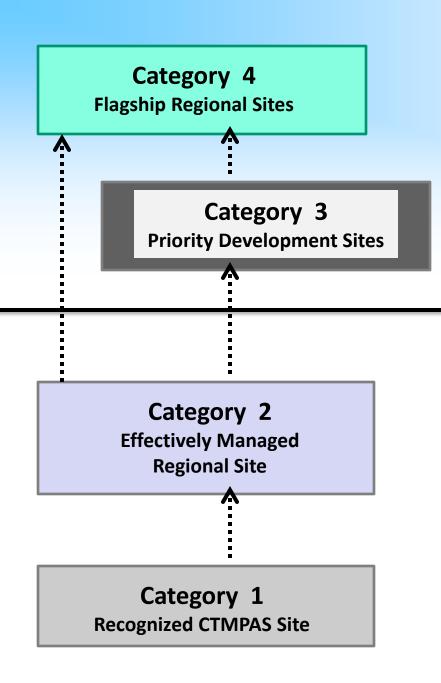


### Framework: Principles

- 1. All programs and activities adhere to the principles stated in the CTI-CFF Regional Plan of Action.
- 2. Be inclusive. Include a wide spectrum of partners and stakeholders to encourage commitment and appropriate design/approaches; all sites in CT Atlas in the CTMPAS
- 3. Integrate seascapes, fisheries, climate change adaptation, as well as threatened species in all aspects of MPA selection, networks and management
- **4. Aim for social equity** in all interactions, as well as sharing of costs and benefits among stakeholders, and in respecting culture and indigenous heritage of stakeholders
- 5. Acknowledge and respect national processes of each country in recruiting sites and networks, actions, or reporting

#### Framework: Structure & Criteria

- 4 Flagship Regional Sites: Sites of exceptional regional importance in terms of ecology, governance or socioeconomics that are effectively managed
- 3 Priority Development Sites: Sites identified as having high regional importance but require further development to ensure they fulfil their potential
- 2 Effectively Managed Regional Sites: Sites recognized as effectively managed & contribute towards CTMPAS objectives at national scales
- I Recognized CTMPAS Sites: Sites that contribute towards CTMPAS objectives at local scales



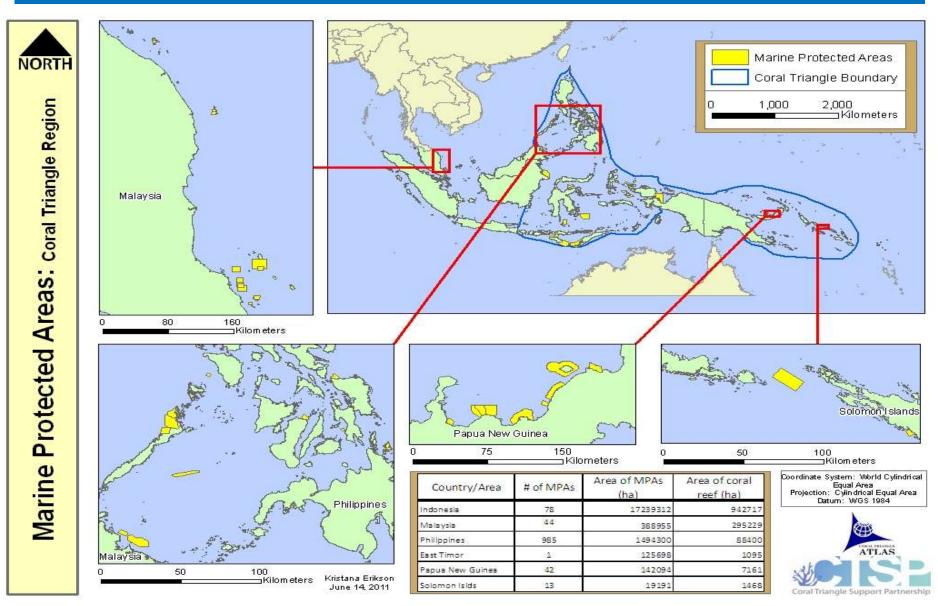
Nominations for Categories 3 and 4 must go through a regional-level process conducted with a Regional Advisory Group. The Regional MPA TWG has the final decision on which sites will be accepted into CTMPAS under Categories 3 and 4.

**REGIONAL-LEVEL REVIEW AND SELECTION** 

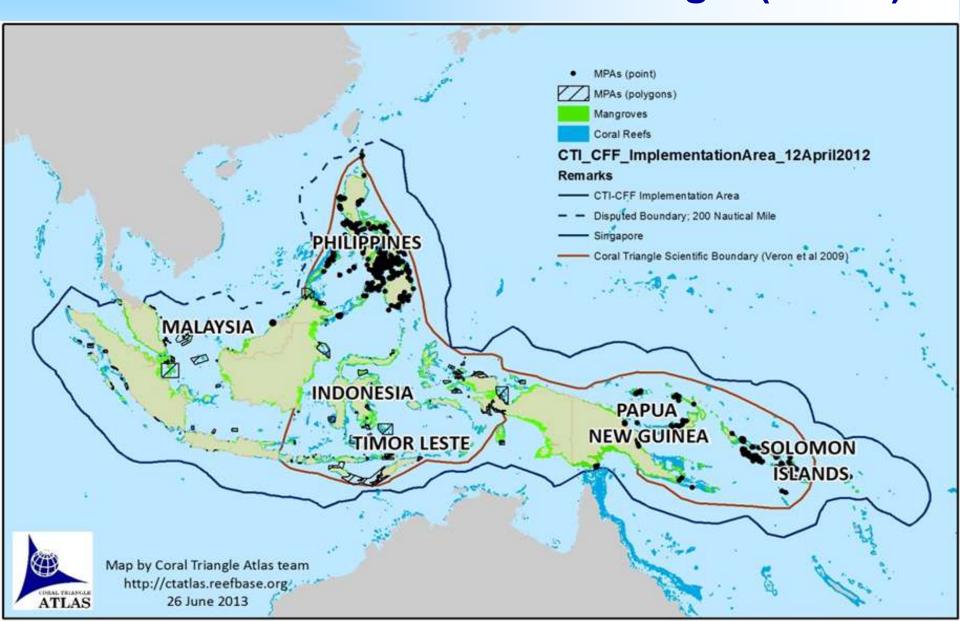
#### **COUNTRY-LEVEL REVIEW AND SELECTION**

Nominations for Categories 1 and 2 are reviewed solely in-country by the NCC of its designated body, using the MPA management effectiveness assessment tool already in place in the country. The NCC will decide if a site meets National and Regional criteria for Category 1 or 2, and the CTMPAS TWG will respect/recognize the NCC evaluation and accept the recommendation.

### CT Atlas Online GIS map: //ctatlas.reefbase.org supports regional MPA analysis...



### Coral Triangle Atlas database 2013--MPAs in the Coral Triangle (>1900)



FOR CTMPAS CATEGORY 1 SITES			
Attributes	Explanatory notes		
Country*	Indonesia   Malaysia   Papua New Guinea   Philippines   Solomon Islands   Timor-Leste		
Longitude*	Longitudinal coordinates		
Latitude*	Latitudinal coordinates		
Name*	The official name of the protected area <sup>1</sup>		
Designation*	The type of protected area as legally/officially established/recognized (e.g. national park, world heritage site)		
Legal/Formal Instrument	Legal Code/Number based on country systems <sup>2</sup>		
Designation Type*	Local   National   International		
Domain*	Marine   Marine-Terrestrial <sup>3</sup>		
Status*	Designated   Proposed		
Date Established*	Date/Year of the MPA established legally/formally		
Reported area (ha4)*	Total size of protected area in ha4 based on legal/formal status/declaration		
Total marine area (ha4)*	Total size of marine area in ha4 within protected area		
Management Plan*	Yes   No   Unknown   Drafted		
IUCN Management Category	Classification under IUCN (Ia, Ib, II, III, IV, V or VI)		
International Convention	Designation of MPA by an international convention/program		
Administrative unit level-1	Government level that administers or holds jurisdiction over MPA (e.g. in Malaysia, an MPA may be administered by either the federal government or state government; in the Philippines, MPAs are typically administered either by the national government (NIPAS) or the municipal/local government.		
Zonation	Yes   No   Unknown		
No Take	All   Part   Seasonal   None   Unknown		

Model used (eg. MEAT/ E-MPA) to assess management effectiveness

Yes | No | Unknown. If Yes, name of person/organization who validated the MPA

Total area of no take zones in hectares<sup>4</sup>

ME rating based on MPA ME system used

Source/provider of the data

Reported No Take Area (ha4)

Source

Validated

Management Effectiveness Model

Management Effectiveness Rating

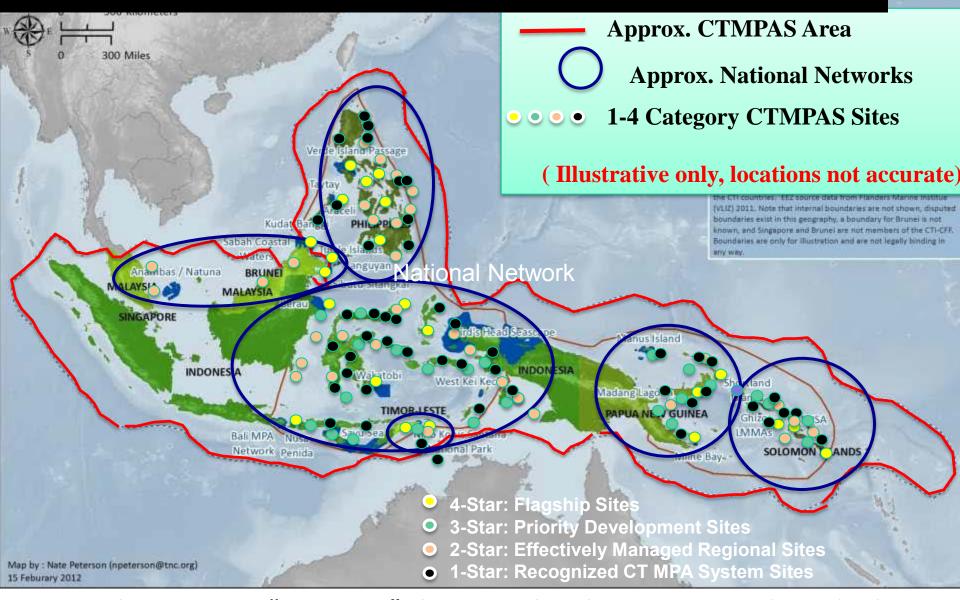
#### **Number and area of MPAs in the Coral Triangle**

CT Country	Total Number of MPAs	MPAs with Known Boundaries	Area (km²) for Known Boundaries	Percent of EEZ	Percent of Territorial Waters (12 miles)
Indonesia	108	83	170,841 157,841*	2.7%	13.1%
Malaysia	51	50	13,653 15,661*	3.5%	12.7%
Papua New Guinea	59	35	4,558 4,558*	0.2%	1.3%
Philippines	1,653	348	17,164 20,940*	1.1%	4.2%
Solomon Islands	100	82	1,325 1.325*	0.1%	0.9%
Timor-Leste	1	1	557 556*	1.3%	3.4%
REGION	1,972	599	208,152 200,881*	1.6%	9.4%

Compiled by the Coral Triangle Atlas at WorldFish from sources including Reefbase, the World Areas (WDPA), national agencies and The Nature Conservancy, and validated with each country. \*Data as reported by governments and slightly different from the CT Atlas due to discrepancies from polygon data for a few MPAs.

### Cartoon of Geographic Structure – of Local, National and CTMPAS networks and sites





1-5 Sites per CT6: "No Regret" Sites, Learning Sites, Important Sites, Big Sites

# Regional MPA ME Exchange, May 2011; CT6 participated, Philippines: Roadmap developed...



## Progress towards national MPA Management Effectiveness Systems

**Regional**: MPA management effectiveness standards agreed upon within CTMPAS Framework

**Philippines**: Refined MPA Mgt. Effectiveness Assessment Tool (MEAT) and provided model for other countries

**Indonesia:** Finalized Technical Guidelines Management Effectiveness for applications in all national MPAs

Malaysia: Conducted national survey on MPA ME using MPA- MEAT Tool, initiated development of national system

**Solomon Islands:** Held 2 national workshops to initiate a MPA ME system based on lessons from Indonesia and Phils

**Papua New Guinea:** Developed roadmap for MPA ME system

**Timor Leste:** Applied MPA ME system lessons in planning

### CTI-CFF MPA Roadmap: Implement the CTMPAS Framework and Action Plan

- ➤ Formalize the CTMPAS Advisory Committee for reviewing site nominations and hold meeting in 2014
  - ✓ Nominate country Flagship sites and Priority Development sites for inclusion in the CTMPAS
  - √ Review site nominations to fully initiate CTMPAS
- ➤ Input all national MPA data (all recognized sites) into the CT Atlas for tracking national and regional progress
- ➤ Employ or appoint the MPA Coordinator to guide CTMPAS implementation and decide on home institution
  - ✓ Conduct periodic CTI MPA-TWG meetings and MPA Advisory Group meetings as required

# **Country Variations: MPA Goal and CTMPAS Implementation**

- Indonesia: Largest area of MPA, major MPA projects contributing to CTMPAS, MPA ME still low
- Malaysia: Well developed system with relatively good MPA ME, is adopting CTMPAS nationally
- Papua New Guinea: LMMAs with no national MPA ME system yet in place
- **Philippines:** Largest number of mostly small MPAs/networks, well-established system for MPA ME
- Solomon Islands: LMMAs, draft national MPA ME system being developed following CTMPAS criteria
- **Timor Leste:** 1 large MPA, internal sites being developed through community-based no-take management

### Cross-cutting themes and integration of CTMPAS with other CTI-CFF Goals

1. Integration of CTMPAS design with fisheries and adaption to climate change inherent in CTMPAS Framework and needs to be encouraged locally

- 2. Cross-cutting themes critical to CTMPAS:
  - a. M&E System and tracking of indicators
  - b. CT Atlas for spatial data and reports and maps
  - c. CTI Secretariat/host institution for Coordinator
  - d. Financial Resources to support MPA field work
  - e. **Adoption** of CTMPAS Framework by NCCs with focus on MPA management effectiveness

### **Lessons & Challenges: MPA Goal**

- It takes time to get it right—e.g. the CTMPAS is in its first phase and will evolve during implementation...
- Building the CT Atlas database with data verification with the countries requires active country participation
- Indicators have been agreed on but require updates from countries to track through the M&E System
- National data quality from each country varies
- CT Atlas—spatially oriented database—must be permanent
- National/local capacity varies tremendously among CT6
- CTMPAS meets needs of each country but will need more regional exchanges to evolve at regional scale...

### CTMPAS Steps to 2020

STEP 1

Develop the Framework and Action Plan

> (March 2012 May 2013)

STEP 2

Launch the CTMPAS and Initiate Actions

(June to December 2013)

STEP 3

Recruit Priority
Sites and
Initiate Programs

(June 2013 and beyond)

STEP 4

Expand Action
Plan and
Implement
Roadmap to 2020

(2014-2020)



#### For more on MPAs/networks in the Coral Triangle...

www.coraltriangleinitiative.org



www.uscti.org

www.oneocean.org

www.ctatlas.reefbase.org









