



PROVISIONAL AGENDA

The 7th MRC Regional Stakeholder Forum

Mekong Transboundary Integrated Water Resources Management

20-21 May 2019, Bangkok, Thailand

DAY 1

08.30 – 09.00 *Registration*

09.00 – 09.30 Welcome remarks by the Secretary-General of National Office of Water Resources

Opening remarks by the MRCS CEO

09.30 – 10.00 Keynote Speaker – International example transboundary water resource governance

10.00 – 10.30 Mekong River Commission and transboundary dialogue by the MRC Secretariat

10.30 – 10.45 *Tea & Coffee Break*

10.45 – 11.45 Panel session on understanding the Mekong transboundary cooperation – past, present and future

11.45 – 12.00 Introduction of the MRC Mekong Integrated Water Resources Management transboundary project by the MRC Secretariat

12.00 – 13.00 *Lunch*

13.00 – 14.30 *Parallel sessions* on establishing LMB transboundary cooperation mechanisms to support sustainable water resources management.

Group I: Wetland and lake management

- Achievement, challenges and lessons learnt from Nam Kam- Xe bang Hieng wetland project and Songkhla- Tonle Sap lake project
- Experiences from Inle Lake management, Myanmar
- Panel discussion: exchange experience between regions on Lake and wetland management

Group II: Fisheries management

- Achievement, challenges and lessons learnt from Mekong- Sekong transboundary fisheries management project
- Lessons learnt from transboundary fisheries management in the bordering of Bokeo in Lao and Chiang Rai in Thailand
- Panel discussion: exchange experience between regions on transboundary fisheries management

15.15 – 15.30 *Tea & Coffee break - return to plenary*

15.30 – 16.00 Reflection from parallel discussion

16.00 – 17.00 MRC Joint Project Initiatives by the MRC Secretariat

17.00 – 17.15 Conclusion of Day 1

DAY 2

09.00 – 09.15 Day 1 recap and introduction for Day 2

09.15 – 10.30 Updated on national capacity on water resources management: status, challenges, potential MRC role and way forward in next 10 years

10.30 – 10.45 *Tea & Coffee Break*

11.00 – 12.00 Panel discussion on using science to support trans-boundary decision making processes

12.00 – 13.00 *Lunch*

13.15 – 13.45 Lessons learned from

- IUCN Building River Dialogue and Governance in the Sekong, Sesan and Sre Pok river basins (BRIDGE 3S)
- Oxfam Mekong Water Governance Program

13.45 – 15.30 LMB transboundary cooperation mechanisms: identifying priority issues to setting out an action plan

- Overview of the Sesan-Srepok River Basin and Mekong Delta transboundary projects
- Panel session on lessons learned and challenges ahead

15.15 – 15.30 *Tea & Coffee Break*

15.45 – 16.45 Panel session on strengthening implementation of transboundary cooperation

16.45 – 17.20 Summary key messages from the forum and way forward

17.20 – 17.30 Closing of forum
