



CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVE
ON CORAL REEFS, FISHERIES AND FOOD SECURITY
INDONESIA

40 COASTAL REGENTS AND MAYORS FROM THE CORAL TRIANGLE INITIATIVES AREA MET IN BULELENG , BALI

The Indonesia National Coordinating Committee for Coral Triangle Initiatives for Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food security (NCC-CTI CFF), in collaboration with the Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, the Ministry of Home Affairs the Buleleng Local Government, NGOs (World Wildlife for Fund, Coral Triangle Center, Conservation Indonesia) , and the local NGO Yayasan Karang Lestari, held a Local Government Network workshop in the Banyu Alit Hotel from 2-3 December 2014. This event was attended by approximately 200 participants from Coastal Regents and mayors from Wakatobi, Sangihe, South Halmahera, Bolang Mongondow Utara, Gorontalo, Passer East Kalimantan, Pangkajene kepulauan, Pare-pare, East Lombok, Buton, Ende, Buton Utara, North East

Kalimantan, Banggai Laut, Banggai Kepulauan, South Buton, Bulukumba, Kota Baru South Kalimantan, Sumenep, Bima, Lembata, Palu, Sinjai, Buru, Manado City, Palopo, Kolaka, Donggala, Buton Utara, Buton Tengah, Pohnuatu, Bone Bolangu, Mamuju Utara, Bau-Bau, Ambon City, Biak Numfor, Bombana, Boalemo, Selayar, Sigi, Sumbawa Barat, Klungkung, Tabanan, Tarakan, Donggala, Tojo Una-Una and Sumba tengah. Journalists from Metro TV, the Bali Post and Buleleng Post were also in attendance.

The purpose of this meeting was to introduce the CTI-CFF and its program to the leadership of coastal cities/regencies in the Coral triangle region; to increase the quality of coordination and collaborations among local leaders in CTI CFF areas; to establish a framework of cooperation among regional leaders with the National Government, especially in the implementation of the CTI CFF National Plan of Action (NPOA); and to create a forum or association of Coastal Regents and Mayors throughout the CTI CFF area in Indonesia. The theme of this meeting was *"Development of Community Economies in the Coral Triangle for Social Welfare and Environmental Sustainability"*.





A Gala Dinner, hosted by Mr. Agus Suradnyana, a Regent from Buleleng, was held at Banyu Alit hotel with Bali Dancers as an opening event. On this occasion Mr. Suradnyana thanked all parties who made the event possible. This event then was officially opened the next morning by the Head of Marine and Fisheries province Bali, Mr. Made Gunaja. The Minister of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Ms. Susi Pudjiastuti, who provided a video message, emphasized the need for local governments to be more active in the establishment and effective management of marine conservation areas. She urged that local governments be more pro-active in developing programs and providing budgets to match the CTI CFF National Plan of Action. This event was divided into two sessions. The first session was about Government's regulations, mechanisms and enhancing capacity building for local governments which was presented by Mr. Eko Rudianto the Director of Coastal and Marine affairs- MMAF (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8MBfvvXqvr4Zk5PX2dadnIKdVE/view>).

The second session was about the role of the Private Sector in investing in the marine and fisheries industry in local Districts Both of these sessions were moderated by Mr. Suryoprato, a news director of Metro TV (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8MBfvvXqvr4cUdrQTFHT3k5dXc/view?usp=sharing>).

After the presentations there was a Focus Group Discussion in a round table format (World Café Discussion), The World Café format is a structured conversational process in which groups of people discuss a topic with a emphasis of getting everyone to participate. Three facilitators offered the following questions to the discussion group:

1. What is important to you about the sustainability of the marine ecosystem in your regency and why do you think we all should care about it;
2. What are the 2-3 main challenges that your regency currently faces regarding the environmental quality in your marine ecosystem?
3. From your personal experience in the field during the past 12 months, what important observations can you share with other colleagues here?
4. What worked well and what didn't? What important assumptions should be surfaced here that can create more important openings or possibilities to increase the quality of coordination an collaborations among local leaders in CTI CFF areas?
5. Who are key stakeholders that are not present in this room yet play key roles in the acceleration of sustainable marine ecosystem development and if they were present here, what would they say?

After the Focus Group Discussion, the next session was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Gondol Marine Research Institution and the Buleleng Local Government for Abalone research; and between Nirwana TV-Jawa Pos Group and Buleleng Local Government for media news coverage on Buleleng.

The MeetingDeclaration of Buleleng was the last item on the agenda and was read by the Regent from Ende, Mr. Marselinus Petu. the Declaration stated that:

- a) The participants agreed to carry out the implementation of activities guided by the National Action CTI-CFF Indonesia by entering into a process for developing ongoing programs plans in each region;
- b) The participants would strive to improve cooperation among regions and between regions and the national government and to work with the private sector to achieve regional economic development, social welfare and the preservation of natural resources in the Coral Triangle;
- c) The forum would meet every two (2) years.

The audiovisual of this event can be downloaded from this link:<http://youtu.be/42taVcr7Oo4>

