

Dear Valued Partners and Friends,

We want to share the biweekly updates from MDPI in order to give you the latest information, activities and our nearest plans.

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Thank you very much and happy reading 😊

Recent activities:

- [Fair Trade](#) team has been working on identifying the process for Fish Aggregating Device (FAD) permit application for small-scale fisheries. Yasmine, Widi and Wiro to collect data on FADs in the Moluccas and to identify correct process for registration.
- Fair Trade implementation: First week of September, strategic review, development of premium plan guidelines and monitoring of progress post audit - Widi, Ufu, Nilam and field teams from Buru, Ambon, Seram and Toli-toli.
- [Sustainability awareness](#) event conducted for fishermen in Nusa Penida, Bali: Conducted in the end of August, in collaboration with KKN (Kuliah Kerja Nyata) students of Udayana University - Indah and Juli.
- [US Embassy Delegation Visits](#): At the end of August, Ambassador Robert O. Blake, Jr. and Consulate General Heather Variava visited MDPI in Bali Office for an introduction to our work, especially with industry collaboration.
- Data Collection Review and Monitoring in Maluku region: identifying issues and potential training needs, developing systems for improvement of data - Juh rin and Wildan.
- First Site Assessment for pole and line fishery monitoring program completed in Ambon. Sampling to be conducted under contract from AP2HI. Monitoring will utilize newly developed protocol specifically for PL fisheries, including emphasis on bait use. Proposed sites are Ambon, Bitung, Bau-Bau, Fak-Fak, Sorong and Larantuka and will be focused with specific companies, all members of AP2HI – Wildan.
- Data Collection trial for Pole and Line vessel in Bitung, testing validity of the newly developed protocol - Alex and Bitung team.
- [PVR](#) vessel verification in Bitung and Maluku bringing handline vessels registered into the system up to 230 - Monang, Alex.

MDPI hosted traceability workshop in Bali office, bringing together partners working on on NWO-ARF project entitled: Technology innovations towards sustainability in Indonesia's tuna

supply chains (<http://www.nwo.nl/en/research-and-results/programmes/food+%26+business+research/ARF+research+projects>) to discuss implementation of a traceability based technology (TBT) system. Partners including MDPI, IPB, Ecotrust Canada, Anova LLC and Harta Samudra present.

- NWO project: on 2 – 4 September, Momo, Rini, Mika, Lalu and Ecotrust partner visited PT. Harta Samudra, discussing traceability technology draft and TBT system scoping for a potential end of year implementation plan of an 'alpha' system in partner processing plants. Initial Implementation will be on the Fair Trade Certified supply chain.
- Funding Proposal developments: brain- storming for topics for submission to MSC developing world program on various topics including Chain of Custody, Endangered threatened and protected species awareness; Capacity building; Harvest Control Rule development support; FAD and Pokmaswas development; and for submission to the Canadian international development agency- whole team.
- Meeting with IPNLF and AP2HI on planning for FIP implementation for HL and PL and approach needed to move towards certification - Momo, Wiro.
- FIP: Survey of MDPI's partners for willing participants in a small-scale tuna fisheries observer program for Lombok, Bone, and Maluku sites – Wiro.
- FIP: task force meeting, identifying progress and required steps by all stakeholders in the preparation phase for full assessment to the MSC. This meeting reviewed the progress of stakeholders work - Momo, Wiro.
- Attendance at data poor fisheries assessment workshop hosted by IPB. Training on the Spawning Potential Ratio (SPR) system for fisheries assessment among others - Deirdre, Nanda.
- Coordination with DKP Maluku on Data Management and data sampling workshop. Planning for workshop in month October - Wildan, Nanda, Nuri.

Upcoming Events:

- Economic survey in Kupang, Bone, Lombok, North Buru and Bitung: Initial interviews will be collected from this week until 3 weeks ahead including info on incomes, expenses and financial management of small scale fishers.
- Global Fisheries Sustainability Fund meeting.
- Harvest Control Rule: pre- workshop data meeting, hosted by KKP.
- Pole and Line Data Collection Scoping: Sustainability team to identify system applicable per new site, identify staff for new sites and prepare training material.

- Data Collection Review and Monitoring in Bone, South Sulawesi region, including follow up the land ownership status, to support community program to refurbish landing site.
- Sea turtle assessment in North Buru: Planning, coordination for project development, including identifying funding sources.
- Problem identification in I-Fish system: Collecting all inputs from all Site Supervisors for further development of sustainability training material and system correction.
- DMC NTB: Planned to be held in 22-23th of September.
- Traceability technology topology: Drafted by ecotrust Canada, Traceability team to follow up and to provide required data for prototype system development.
- Proactive Vessel Registry (PVR): 7 – 10 September in Bitung, team regrouping, implementation evaluation, discussing ISSF's audit protocol and planning for next month implementation.
- Supply chain activity [crab fishery in Kaimana](#): MDPI and Conservation International plan to host events in Kaimana to invite stakeholders to socialize a FIP for the local fishery.



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[Our team:](#)

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Lombok

Kupang

Bone

Maluku Tengah

Buru Utara

Buru Selatan

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