



Steering Committee Minutes

Date: 05 May 2021

Location: Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

1	HKSSC Chair	1	Technical Advisor (TA)
3	Secretariat	5	Steering Committee (SC)

Agenda:

1. Key updates
2. Working group updates
3. Strategy, roadmap and workplan
4. Partnerships
5. Membership, awareness raising and recruitment

Summary of discussion:

1. Key updates

- Secretariat recapped the key updates since the last Steering Committee meeting in March 2021

2. Working group updates

- Marketplace working group
 - Demo of the online marketplace
 - Question related how the sustainability risk assessment can be integrated within Marketplace so information can be easily accessed.
- Sustainability risk assessment working group
 - Trying to build up a local project team consisting of HKU PhD students and other local team members. We will continue to work with our wild catch assessor from last year and have identified a locally based aquaculture assessor, to be mentored by Heather Sadusky
 - Now in the training phase for the team members
 - Changes in the person-in-charge in RS Standards, which will mostly affect the AIP
 - AFCD has expressed interest in SRA assessing two bivalve species locally farmed in Hong Kong. Total species to be assessed this year - approximately 10.
- Outreach and communication working group



- Interim Chair nominated (Technical Advisor) with plans for a member to lead from 2022
- Recapped with members ideas that emerged in previous meetings (prior to Covid) and how this aligns to TPB strategy ideas
- Initiatives related to TPB proposed strategy and workplan confirmed with members and action items identified
- Exploring different promotion channels such as the use of LinkedIn, email sent out to all HKSSC members following WG meeting to improve followership / HKSSC profile on linked in

3. Strategy, roadmap and workplan

- TPB presented the finalized strategy and roadmap for the Steering Committee's review

4. Partnerships

- HKSSC is now listed on SALT Seascape directory
- HKSSC has registered to join the Dialogue Advisory Group (DAG) and endorse GDST 1.0 principles
- Steering Committee member shared on development of the Conservation Alliance's Global Hub and interest from Conservation Alliance of HKSSC joining the initiative

Action: Steering Committee member to put Secretariat in contact with Conservation Alliance contact(s) to initiate process for HKSSC to join.

5. Membership, awareness raising and recruitment

- The Secretariat and TA shared on the welcome addition of a more informal interim meeting to increase engagement of members. The first interim meeting was with a smaller grouping of members and was a great success
- Chairman will speak at a Food Made Good breakfast event on 18th May focused on seafood, ppt prepared by Secretariat / Technical Advisor to be used for future speaking opportunities
- Chairman will also observe proceedings of IFBA
- Chairman to join RTHK Backchat; a Hong Kong radio programme to discuss the Seaspiracy inspired topic, "Should we stop eating seafood"



Action: Steering Committee to review and approve the presentation deck for Food Made Good speaking opportunity by the Chairman. Secretariat to make necessary edits.

6. AOB

- Updates on all partnership calls will be updated in the next Steering Committee meeting
- Next Steering Committee meeting scheduled on 30th June 2021