# SAPPHIRE Inception Meeting Summary

#### November 17, 2017

# **Discussion Points**

- Coordination and Management arrangements regional and national levels
- Coordination with WIOSAP
- Collaboration with WIOSAP on cross-cutting activities
- Demonstration/pilot projects
- Activities for Year 1 and how to "catch up" with WIOSAP
- Partner presentations
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Merging of SAPs

# **Project Steering Committee**

- Joint Project Steering Committee/meetings
- Country representation on PSC Focal Institution & NFP
- NCS to request early nominations from countries
- A brief meeting of nominated Focal Points to review relevant WIOSAP decisions with implications for SAPPHIRE could take place during the NC Focal Points Forum in March
- Ist Joint PSC linked to COP? (June Aug)

## Management Arrangements: National Level

- National Steering Committees/ Technical Committees/ Working Groups (harmonise terminology) – should serve both projects
- National Project Managers should also serve both projects. Need to agree on TOR before recruitment

## **Technical Coordination**

- Scientific & Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) for WIO
  LME SAP implementation could also advise PSC
- Joint Working Groups (under STAP) on themes addressed by both projects eg. MSP (regional & national levels as appropriate & including Technical Partners)
- Joint Workplans on cross-cutting thematic issues

# **Demo/pilot sites**

- Selection criteria and process should be harmonised
- WIOSAP already has proposals in this regard
- Could be reviewed at the NC Focal Points Forum meeting in March

## **Partner presentations**

- IRD
- IUCN
- UNEP-WCMC

#### Proposed areas of collaboration

# **Monitoring & Evaluation**

- UNDP outlined M & E requirements
- Standard for GEF projects

#### Longer term

- Merging of the SAPs so that there is one overall Strategic Action Plan for the WIO LME area
- Should show clear links to the Nairobi Convention Workplan
- Current SAPs very different styles
- SAPs need to be updated on a regular basis anyway.