

The Heart of Borneo R & D Trilateral Conference: Towards Three countries One Conservation Vision

13-14 April 2015

Background:

The Heart of Borneo Initiative was officiated in 2007 where its Declaration was signed by the responsible ministers from Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia and Malaysia. Since then, every HoB member country has developed its roadmap of implementation based on their national perspective. There have been many projects implemented at national level in each member country and reported briefly at every trilateral Meeting by the senior officials representing their respective government. As-well, there are on-going bilateral transboundary projects among the HoB member countries. All the outputs and findings should be further explored and developed so that the project benefits can be shared by all levels of stakeholder from the HoB member countries.

The impetus of the Special Ministerial Meeting of the HoB Initiative should be maintained by having the proposed conference to gather both government and non-government officials and discuss the HoB agenda in a more open forum. As transpired in Bandar Seri Begawan Joint Statement of the Special Ministerial Meeting of the HoB Initiative, the forum will enhance collaboration between the three countries to implement joint programs and activities while ensuring synergies to complement the existing regional and international agenda such as climate change, biodiversity conservation, food, energy and water security, and poverty alleviation; encourage green economy and promote capacity and technological development through various endeavours such as Public Private Partnership (PPP), to strengthen trans-boundary cooperation on a multi-sectoral basis towards achieving sustainable development within the Heart of Borneo; and welcome the assistance of international and regional organizations as well as dialogue partners

and appreciate the involvement of relevant stakeholders in the conservation activities under the Heart of Borneo Initiative;

To date, the HoB Initiative is almost reaching its 10-year old maturity and therefore, it's timely to provide a forum for all relevant stakeholders, friends, partners and supporters to reconvene and explore the trilateral strategic plan of actions based on the national and bilateral achievements. More importantly, it will also a forum for the scientist communities and funding agencies to establish a networking and have a business matching as to drive the future trilateral projects and seek for the most appropriate funding mechanisms that will give a more better impact to the HoB Initiative. The challenges to develop the practical programmes, policy and financing solutions will be addressed in order to meet the goals of conservation and demands of sustainable economic development based on 5 pillars i.e. trans-boundary cooperation, protected areas, sustainable natural resource management, ecotourism development and capacity building and creation of the enabling conditions in the Heart of Borneo needed to realize an inclusive and balanced development.

Objectives:

1. To response to Bandar Seri Begawan Joint Statement of the Ministerial Meeting of the Heart of Borneo Initiative, 7 September 2013 as one of the deliverables of the said joint statement and strengthen the cooperation among the countries members and open the cooperation opportunities to interested second and third parties;
2. To provide the scientific platform for all experts or researchers including potential researchers from three HoB member countries to develop the way forward and push forward the potential trilateral projects as well as to explore the funding mechanisms for all programs and activities proposed at the conference;
3. To fine tune the HoB CI strategic plan of actions as to materialize the adopted mechanism and framework based on the inputs form 8th Trilateral Meeting to be held in Indonesia;

4. To facilitate exchange of information and experience and business matching for all conference participants and formulate collective efforts to strengthen the 5-pillars cooperation:-

1. Transboundary management
2. Protected area management
3. Sustainable natural resource management
4. Ecotourism development
5. Capacity building

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Expected Outputs:

- i. Documentation of all HoB R & D activities and findings from each HoB member country for reference and private sectors to take up the business opportunities created by the projects and develop business plan;
- ii. The report will include the strategic plan of actions to move forward the trilateral agenda, funding options and mechanisms, list of potential HoB partners and supporters, recommendations, and commitment and pledge of all stake holders;

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PROGRAMME

	Time	Activities
Day 1 Monday 13 April 2015	8:00 - 9.00 am	<p><u>CONFERENCE OPENING CEREMONY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration • Arrival of the Guest of Honour Permanent Secretary of MIPR • Recital of Surah Al-Fatihah and Doa • Opening remarks by the Guest of Honor • Keynote presentation on HoB Corridor Initiative by Dr. Henry • Refreshments
	9:00 - 10:00 am	
	10.30 am - 12.00 pm	<p>Plenary Session for Brunei Darussalam</p> <p>Brunei HoB Project Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Joffre Ali Ahmad, Forestry Department) • Dr Rahayu Sukmaria, Universiti Brunei Darussalam • Dr Ang Bee Biaw, Brunei Darussalam Heart of Borneo Centre • Dr Alex Cobb, SMART • Zuraidah Abd Kamis, Brunei Shell Petroleum

	Time	Activities
	2.00 - 2.45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muhammad Daud Abdullah, Atika Arif Inbound Tourism Brunei
	2.45 - 3.00 pm	
	3.00 - 4.30 pm	<p>Discussions on Brunei Darussalam's plenary session</p> <p>Coffee break</p>
	7.30 pm	<p>(Plenary Session for Indonesia)</p> <p>Indonesia HoB Project Presentations</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Welcoming Dinner hosted by the Guest of Honor</p>
<p>Day 2 Tuesday 14 April 2015</p>	8.30 - 9.45 am	<p>Plenary Session for Malaysia</p> <p>Malaysia HoB Project Presentations</p>
	9.45- 10.00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Reuben Nilus, Sabah Forestry Department • Dr Arthur Y. C Chung, Sabah Forestry Department • Mr John Sugau, Sabah Forestry Department • Dr Zamri bin Rosli, Universiti Putra Malaysia • Ms. Aurela Dulce Chong
	10.00- 10.45 pm	
	10.45 am - 12.00 pm	Coffee break

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	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Presentations by National Institute of Biological Resources, Korea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Kyoung Hee Oh, National Institute of Biological Resources, Korea • Dr Dr Hye-Woo Byun, National Institute of Biological Resources, Korea <p>Announcement of WWF Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Kamala, Curtin University, Sarawak Malaysia <p>General Discussion</p> <p>Conference's Recommendations</p> <p>End of Conference</p>

Attendance

No	Department/ Ministry/ Company	Numbers invited
Local Participants		
1	Forestry Department	5
2	Fisheries Department	5
3	Agriculture and Agrifood Division	5
4	BB and team	5
5	Tourism Development Department	3
6	BINA	3
7	Policy and Planning Division	5
8	Wildlife Division	5
8	Biosecurity Division	5
9	Halal Industry and Innovation Centre	5
10	PREDAC	5
11	National Standard Centre	3
12	Department of Environment, Parks and Recreation	3
13	Land Department	3
14	Survey Department	3
15	Town and Country Planning Department	3
16	Museum Department	5
17	Ministry of Health	3
18	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	3
19	Attorney General Chamber	3
20	Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD) (Lecturers and students)	10
21	IBER UBD	10
22	UNISSA (Lecturers and students)	10
23	Wasan Vocational School (Teachers and students)	10
24	Brunei Shell Petroleum	5
25	BLNG	2
26	BEDB	2
27	TOTAL	2
28	Pusat Tingkatan Enam Sengkurong (Teachers and students)	10
29	Pusat Tingkatan Enam Meragang (Teachers and students)	10
30	Maktab Duli Pengiran Muda Al MuhtadeeBillah	10

31	Brunei Nature Society (BNS)	5
32	Panaga Natural History Society (PNHS)	5
33	Green Brunei	10
34	BruWild Club	5
35	SMART	5
36	HSBC	2
37	Citi Bank	2
38	Standard Chartered Bank	2
39	BIBD	2
40	Maybank	2
41	Oceanic Quest Company	2
42	Poni Divers Brunei	2
43	British High Comm	2
44	ISB (Principal)	1
45	Freme Travel Brunei	2
46	Sunshine Borneo Travel	2
47	Millenniya Management Consultancy	2
48	Beach Bunch	5
49	SCOT	5
50	US Embassy	2

Total (Local Participants) 226

FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS

1	Sabah Forestry Department	10
2	Sarawak Forestry Department	10
3	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Malaysia	10
4	Centre of Regional Forestry Development Control	10
5	Ministry of Forestry, Indonesia	10
6	WWF International	5
7	WWF Indonesia	8
8	WWF Malaysia	8
9	ITTO	2
10	Asian Development Bank	2
11	Global Environment Centre	2
12	Asian Development Bank	2
13	GZETT	2
14	CEBO International Co.,Ltd	2
15	CAB International	2

Total (Foreign Participants) 85

Overall Total (*TBC on actual day*)

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