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MSG green growth framework & roadmap for inshore fisheries management and sustainable development

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Presentation Outline

- 1) Secretariat Programs
 - 2) Green Growth Framework
 - 3) MSG Inshore Fisheries Roadmap
 - 4) Working Strategy with Members & Partners
 - 5) Capacity building at local level (*human, technical & financial*) including education & awareness
 - 6) Information Management & Data
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Secretariat Programs

- 1) **Trade, Investment and Economic Development Program (*Trade Integration, Private Sector*)**
- 2) **Governance & Sustainable Development Program (*Governance, Environment & Social programs*)**



MSG green growth framework

Green growth/green economy:

A way to achieve **sustainable development with equal consideration** for **economic growth, environmental quality and social well-being.**

Source of regional collaboration:

2012 MSG Leaders Declaration on Environment & Climate Change



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Strategic Goal: To enhance economic growth and integrated sustainable development through the minimization of loss of biodiversity and unsustainable use of natural resources, and the prevention of environmental degradation with a view to improving society's welfare in the long term.



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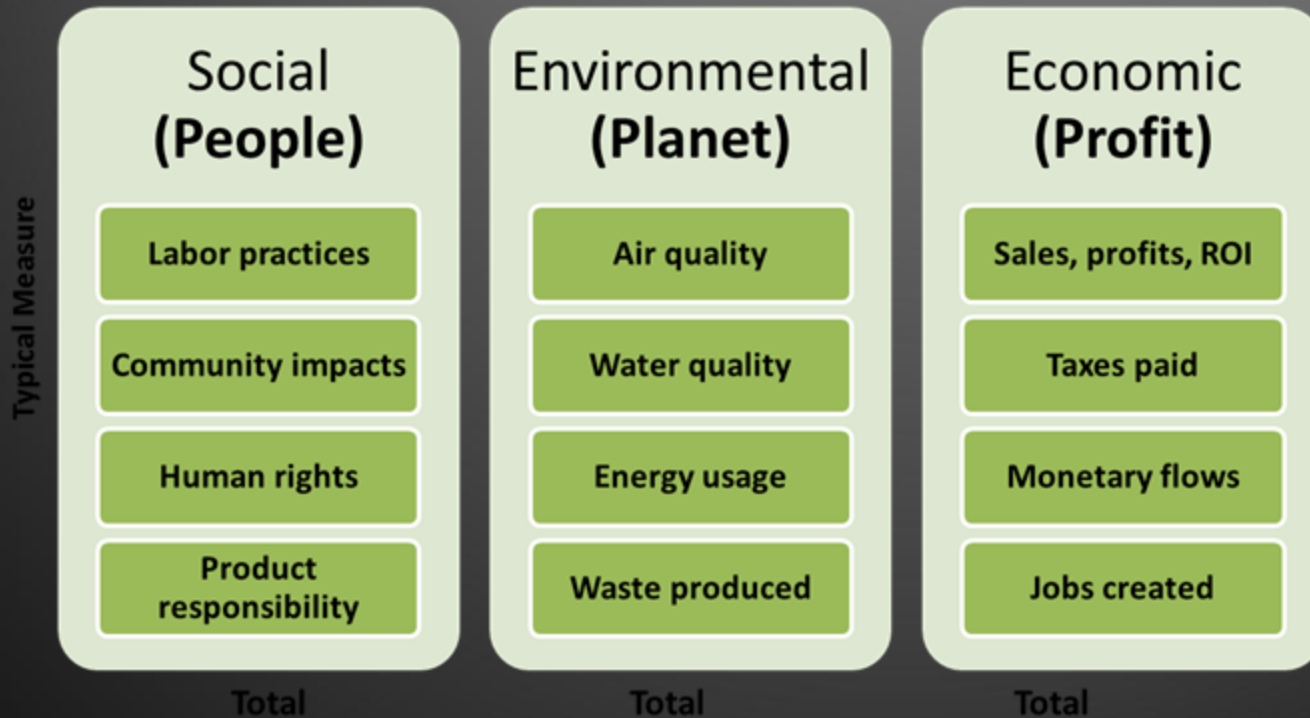
- ▶ The Declaration identifies five goals in support of a green growth framework for sustainable development: **Strategic Policy Information Document.**
- 1) **Improving the quality of growth and maximising net growth** (shifting of focus away from growth that focuses on maximizing production (as measured by GDP) towards livelihoods and employment generation, resilience, inclusiveness and **ecological sustainability and promoting sustainable consumption and production**)
- 2) **Closing the gaps between economic and ecological efficiencies** (**Use of fiscal tools (such as environmental tax and subsidy reform)** where appropriate to reduce poverty; raise fiscal revenues; and improve eco-efficiency, public health, and environmental quality and collaboration with MSG governments and traditional landowners)
- 3) **Planning and development of eco-efficient infrastructure**
- 4) **Promoting sustainable business opportunities** (**green business initiatives** such as the use of energy efficient and savings business practices, water conservation and waste management, reducing, re-using, recycling products and reducing greenhouse gas emissions)
- 5) **Adopt integrated planning for green growth and sustainable development**



Goal 4: Sustainable Businesses

Industry Standard – Concept of *Triple Bottom-line*

Creating **VALUE** for SHAREHOLDERS and SOCIETY alike



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Green Growth e-platform (KM tool)

- ▶ **The GG e-platform is a knowledge management (KM) tool for information sharing and discussions around green growth in Melanesia;**
- ▶ **Aim: To post best practice case studies and information and data from Melanesia for use by Members**
- ▶ **<http://eplatform.msgsec.info/>**



Inshore fisheries management & sustainable development (2015 – 2024)


- ▶ **The Objectives; recognising the importance of fisheries for food security, economies for coastal communities and resource sustainability through community based approaches:**
 - 1) Implement effective policies, legislation, management frameworks and financing mechanisms that ensure suitable capacity building for all stakeholders to sustainably develop and manage coastal resources, as well as effective collaboration amongst stakeholders**
 - 2) Conduct education, awareness raising and the provision of information on the importance and management of inshore fisheries to all stakeholders (e.g. pilot on fisheries curriculum for Vanuatu)**
 - 3) Manage, maintain and restore fisheries stocks (e.g. BDM) to secure long-term economic and social benefits to coastal communities from the sustainable use of inshore resources**



Inshore Fisheries

The trend on Coastal fisheries programs have been limited to addressing food security issues in the MSG having not seen any growth in the number of active fisheries cooperative groups or small to medium fisheries businesses.

Innovative ideas, resources & infrastructure support is needed to create such opportunities for fisherman and small to medium enterprises within the domestic market and perhaps sustainable aquaculture and marine culture to mitigate pressure on coastal fisheries and marine resources and to explore international markets.



Sustainable NRM in MSG working with Partners (SPC, SPREP, etc)

- ▶ **Sub-activity 2.1: Fisheries** – co-management models at community level to encourage sustainable harvest of fish and other marine products through small scale fishing enterprises for the community. The key is to manage the business and maintaining the whole supply chains to the markets and addressing sustainability of the business (**In line with MSG Inshore Fisheries Roadmap & 2038 Plan**).
- ▶ **Sub-activity 2.2: Waste Management** – encouraging the establishment of small, medium enterprises at community level to turn waste and rubbish into a business venture. This achieves an economic outcome for the community and also an environmental outcome for the community. This includes container disposal centres, reduce, reuse, recycle approach, waste separation and disposal (organic, inorganic (plastics, bottles, cans, etc)). For example, Inorganic rubbish to be used in model high schools for agriculture programs on mulching and self – reliance in food supplies and also to the communities for food production.
- ▶ **Sub-activity 2.3: Biodiversity and Ecosystems** – Encourage the establishment of payments for ecosystem services (PES) enterprises in both the terrestrial and marine environments to preserve and value biodiversity and ecosystems through activities such as eco-tourism, bio-trade, REDD+ and others (MSG ECC Declaration, Green Growth approach)



Sustainable Development Program

Focal Activity 1 - Linkages between NRM and Trade, Investment and Economic Development

Given the interactions between NRM and current approaches to trade, investment and economic development, this theme will highlight negative impacts and that provide incentives for ecologically sustainable and culturally appropriate NRM.

Project themes

- Community based waste management
- Systems of Economic and Environmental Accounting
- Community partnerships for sustainable agriculture – catchment management
- Community partnerships for sustainable fisheries
- Community partnerships for sustainable forest management
- Biosecurity and Invasive Species management



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Focal Activity 2 - Payments for Ecosystem Services (PES)

Current market systems often fail to capture the value of ecosystem services. By establishing Payment for Ecosystem Services, income streams can be generated for traditional landowner communities.

▶ Project themes

- ▶ Carbon offsets through REDD+ including developing a regional approach to managing leakage
- ▶ Using Biotrade to promote the sustainable production of key Melanesian natural commodities
- ▶ Development of eco- and cultural-tourism that supports both biodiversity conservation along with traditional knowledge and culture

WE RECOGNISE THAT CLIMATE CHANGE IS CROSS-CUTTING IN ALL ACTIVITIES



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