Working Group 3: GLISPA Governance

Significant progress on:
1. Membership Criteria & Process
2. Core Group for Decision-making
3. Operations: staffing & budget
4. Funding core coordination functions
5. GLISPA Principles

Helpful Input on:
6. Monitoring results
7. Responsibility/Accountability - GLISPA roles & Partner roles
8. Leadership Structure
9. Membership Responsibilities & Benefits

Membership Criteria & Process

Criteria:
- Members make a commitment to implement partnership goals in accordance with values. We communicate with a larger group without them being members (list serve or website).
- Memberships lapse in three years unless progress has been reported.
- Core group decides on membership
- Open to any entity committed to taking significant action on islands. Agencies, orgs and countries but can also include individuals

Functions:
- Members report back on their activities and communicate what their action plans will be.
- All members have a focal point for reporting
- Members need to have a role in implementation and need to report on that implementation.

Core group for Decision Making

Criteria
- Make financial and/or in-kind contributions to operations
• ‘Significant’ role in implementation
• Coordination role to play
• Allocate percentage of time, timely review of materials and participation on conference calls and meetings.
• In-kind contributions of a full time staff needed?

Functions
• Facilitating action – connecting network opportunities for exchange, access to information and facilitating commitments for action
• Communication – there should be a lead on the core group. Core group oversees the work of the communication staff. Over seeing branding and high level communications decisions.
• Tracking progress
• Refine Mission and review Strategy
• Leverage support and resources
• Recommendations on structure and membership – Core Group should me to decide terms of reference, rules of engagement and decision making role

Initial GLISPA Core Group
- CBD Secretariat
- Italy
- IUCN
- Seychelles
- TNC
- UNEP/WCMC
- Communications
- Caribbean Initiative

Suggestion: Add more island representatives where action is being taken

- Coral Triangle
- Invasives
- Micronesia Challenge
- Palau
- SPREP

Core Group
- Facilitation
- Communication
- Tracking Progress
- Recommendations on Structure
- Refine mission/review of strategy

- Meet twice a year face-to-face.
- Evaluate structure again in a few years, even if Core Group could expand with contributions in the meantime
- Is the core group a legal entity? Who bears risk? Need to determine whether there is a legal entity needed/ risk management

• During next 5 years may institute board high level group/patrons (would include CEOs’ GEF)

Comments on representation on core group to be considered in the future:
need to keep membership in Core Group flexible and open to those who are ready to participate.

- current criteria keep out small NGO’s
- possibility to include representatives from key projects that are implementing major initiatives
- committing time when it is needed should be included in the criteria
- how to account for members who put in much time for specific projects and events but are not on the core group

### Staffing and Budget

**To date:**
- Facilitator/coordinator
- Communications
- Events coordination
- Administration
- Communication materials
- Event costs
- Travel

**Needs:**
- Facilitator/coordinator
- Communications
- Events coordination
- Administration
- Communication materials
- Event costs
- Travel

In kind and cash contributions needed: $2 million

### Volunteers to secure core coordination support & prepare initial GEF PIF for GLISPA

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