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| Partners:    | HCMUNRE, VMU, CTU, MCD, VNIO   |

NOTE: All below-mentioned items are decisions by consensus, made during the Kickoff-Meeting in Bremen on 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2022. For further items and earlier made decisions please consider the presentations and official documents which can be found on the MARE Platform for Project Management. This URL is <u>Report on the compilation of ebook meeting in the MARE project –</u> <u>MARE (biendaohcm.com)</u>

## **Date** : 19 – 20 December 2022

- Place : Ho Chi Minh City University of Natural Resources and Environment
- Address : 236 B Le Van Sy, Ward 1, Tan Binh District, Ho Chi Minh City.
- Participants : HCMUNRE, VMU, CTU, MCD, VNIO
- **Format** : face-to-face and online meeting
- Project No. : 610327-EPP-1-2019-1-DE-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP

## 1. Objectives of the meeting:

- Meeting to discuss the first draft e-book chapters
- Discussion on the plan and progress of ebook compilation in the near future

## 2. Attendees:

- 1. Le Anh Tuan, Can Tho University
- 2. Huynh Vuong Thu Minh, Can Tho University
- 3. Nguyen Dinh Giang Nam, Can Tho University
- 4. Lam Van Thinh, Can Tho University
- 5. Vo Quoc Thanh, Can Tho University
- 6. Phan Thi Thuy Duy, Can Tho University
- 7. Tran Van Ty, Can Tho University
- 8. Dinh Thi Thuy Hang, Vietnam Maritime University
- 9. Nguyen Thi Thu, Vietnam Maritime University
- 10. Phan Minh Thu, Institute of Oceanography
- 11. Ho Thi Yen Thu, Center for Marine Conservation and Community Development
- 12. Nguyen Van Giap, Center for Marine Conservation and Community Development
- 13. Le Thi Kim Thoa, HCMC University of Natural Resources and Environment

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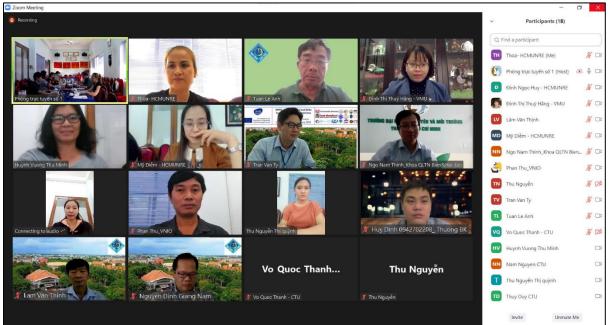
- 14. Dinh Ngoc Huy, HCMC University of Natural Resources and Environment
- 15. Ngo Nam Thinh, HCMC University of Natural Resources and Environment
- 16. Tran Thi Kim, HCMC University of Natural Resources and Environment
- 17. Phung Thi My Diem, HCMC University of Natural Resources and Environment
- 18. Nguyen Thi Quynh Thu, HCMC University of Natural Resources and Environment

Within the framework of the project "Marine Coastal and Delta Sustainability for Southeast Asia (MARE)" project, sponsored by Erasmus+, Faculty of Sea and Island Resource Management, University of Ho Chi Minh City University of Natural Resources and Environment held a meeting to compile the project's Ebook on December 19 - 20, 2022.

## 3. Contents of the two-day meeting:

### Date 1: December 19, 2022:

Opening the program, Dr. Le Thi Kim Thoa, MARE project manager and coordinator introduced the participants and the agenda of the meeting.



*View of the online meeting to compile the ebook* 

Opening the program, Dr. Le Thi Kim Thoa, HCMUNRE presented an overview of the ebook outline and assignment of tasks of each member in the previous meetings.

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Dr. Le Thi Kim Thoa presents the outline of the ebook compilation

Accordingly, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Le Anh Tuan from Can Tho University reported on the results of compiling ebook chapter 1- Geographical characteristics of coastal resources in Vietnam. In this content, the participants discussed the inconsistency between data sources on the area of the East Sea, the waters of Vietnam and the terms South China sea and the East Sea. The collective agreed to use the officially announced source of documents from the Vietnamese books/website.



Assoc.Prof.Dr. Le Anh Tuan reports compiled content of chapter 1

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Next, MSc. Tran Thi Kim-HCMUNRE presented the results of compiling the ebook chapter 2. Issues on natural resources and marine environment in Vietnam. After compiling the content of this chapter, the editorial team found that the content of chapter 2 more or less overlaps with the remaining chapters. Therefore, the group proposes to revise some items inside the chapter accordingly. Besides, the statistics serving the compilation face many difficulties: national statistics are not continuous over many years, the form for statistics of all kinds of resources after 2015 has changed to a new form, and previous statistical lists do not match the list of statistics after 2015. For example, the area of mangroves from 2015 and earlier is included in the statistical lists of localities, but from 2015 to present mangroves are converted into wetlands.



MSc. Tran Thi Kim reports compiled content of chapter 2

Dr. Ho Thi Yen Thu, MCD presented the results of compiling ebook chapter 3-Coastal region of the Red River Delta. Similar to the HCMUNRE group, the MCD team proposed to revise the subsections inside each chapter so that the contents are balanced.

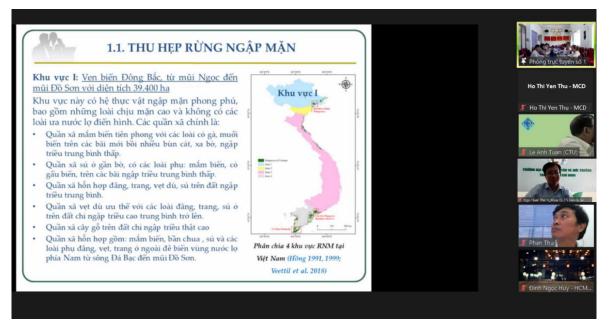
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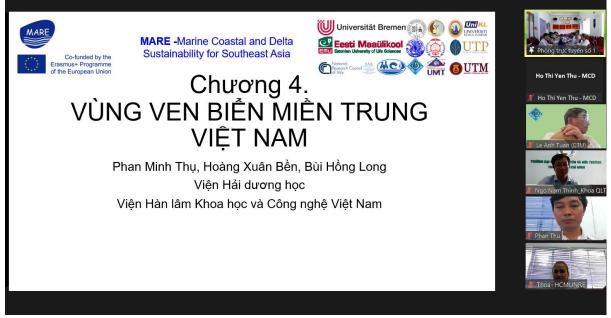






Dr. Ho Thi Yen Thu reports compiled content of chapter 3

MSc. Phan Minh Thu, representative of VNIO reported the results of compiling ebook chapter 4-Coastal Area in the central region of Vietnam. According to MSc. Phan Minh Thu, the content of chapters 3, 4, 5 should be changed to chapters 2, 3, 4 and the items inside the 3 chapters should be presented the same, only different geographical areas.



MSc. Phan Minh Thu presents the compiled content of chapter 4

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#### Date 2: December 20, 2022:

Dr. Huynh Vuong Thu Minh, CTU reported on the results of compiling ebook chapter 5-Coastal region of the Mekong Delta. The editorial team proposes to amend 5 sections in the chapter as follows: Geographical location, Topographical features, Hydrology, oceanography and meteorology, Coastal resources and natural hazards.





Dr. Dinh Thi Thuy Hang, representative of Vietnam Maritime University - VMU reported on the results of compiling ebook chapter 6-Environmental risks in coastal areas of Vietnam. The editorial team also recommends separating the resource and environment content into two chapters, instead of combining them as in the previous draft.

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Dr. Dinh Thi Thuy Hang reports compiled content of chapter 6

# 4. Discussion and conclusion:

After PIs presented the contents of the ebook, all members have discussed many issues and came to an agreement on the title of the book and rearranged the chapters as follows:

Ebook's title: Natural resources and environment in coastal areas of Vietnam

Chapter 1. Geographic characteristics of marine resources of Vietnam

Le Anh Tuan and CTU staff

- 1.1 Geographical location
- 1.2 Characteristics of natural features
- 1.3 Marine resources of Vietnam

Chapter 2. Coastal areas in the Red river delta Ho Thi Yen Thu and MCD staff.

- 2.1 Geographical location
- 2.2 Topographical features
- 2.3 Hydrology, hydrology and meteorology
- 2.4 Coastal Resources
- 2.5. Natural disasters

Chapter 3. Coastal Areas in the center of Vietnam Phan Minh Thu and VNIO staff

3.1 Geographical location

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- 3.2 Topographical features
- 3.3 Hydrology, hydrology and meteorology
- 3.4. Coastal Resources
- 3.5. Natural disasters

Chapter 4. Coastal Areas in the Mekong Delta Le Anh Tuan and CTU staff

- 4.1 Geographical location
- 4.2 Topographical features
- 4.3 Hydrology, hydrology and meteorology
- 4.4 Coastal Resources
- 4.5. Natural disasters

Chapter 5. Issues of natural resources in coastal areas of Vietnam Le Thi Kim Thoa and HCMUNRE staff

- 5.1. Changes/causes of typical coastal ecosystems
- 5.1.1. Mangroves (cause -> case studies)
- 5.1.2. Coral reefs (cause of bleaching)
- 5.1.1. Seagrass carpet
- 5.2. Changes in coastal resources
- 5.2.1. Biological resources
- 5.2.2. Non-living resources
- 5.2.3. Position Resources

Chapter 6. Environmental issues in coastal areas of Vietnam

Dinh Thi Thuy Hang and VMU staff

- 6.1. Sea level rise
- 6.2. Coastal encroachment
- 6.3. Pollution from rivers to the sea (including algal blooms)
- 6.4. Plastic waste pollution
- 6.5. Oil spills and chemical spills
- 6.6. Alien creatures

Chapter 7. Policies for coastal management issues

CTU, HCMUNRE, MCD, VNIO, VMU

7.1. International Conventions

7.1.1. Conventions: UNCLOS 1982 (CTU), Biodiversity - CBD 1992 (VNIO)

7.1.2. Paris Agreements (VMU), COP27 (VMU), disaster convention 2015 – SENDAI (VNIO),

- MARPOL 73/78 (VMU), SDG 14 (VNIO).
- 7.2. Laws and policies of Vietnam
  - 7.2.1. Law of the Sea 2012 (VMU)
  - 7.2.2. Law on Environmental Protection 2020 (VMU)

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- 7.2.3. Law on Water Resources 2012 (HCMUNRE)
- 7.2.4. Law on natural resources and environment of sea and islands 2015 (HCMUNRE)
- 7.2.5. Law on Biodiversity 2008 (VNIO)
- 7.2.6. Law on Fisheries 2017 (VNIO)
- 7.2.7. Maritime Code 2015 (VMU)
- 7.2.8. Petroleum Law 2022 (HCMUNRE)
- 7.2.9. Law on Inland Waterway Traffic 2014 (VMU)
- 7.2.10. Law on Hydrometeorology 2018 (HCMUNRE)
- 7.3. National strategies, plans and action plans
  - 7.3.1. Strategic planning and planning (VMU)
  - 7.3.2. Marine Economic Development Strategy (VMU)
  - 7.3.3. Biodiversity Program (VNIO)
  - 7.3.4. Plastic Waste Program (VMU)
  - 7.3.5. Climate Change Response (CTU) Program
  - 7.3.6. SDG 14 Program (VNIO)

7.3.7. Action plan to implement the national strategy for natural disaster prevention, control and mitigation (CTU)

7.3.8. Fisheries Development Strategy (VNIO)

## 5. Next meetings- Date and place

The partners agreed on the dates for the next meetings:

1- Deadline for submission of manuscripts of chapters 15/02/2023

2- Due to February 15-17, 2023: all member units meet in Hai Phong => The upcoming ebook meeting will take place in Hai Phong on February 18-19/2023 in order to save travel costs. transfer.

3- All reference materials for ebook compilation will be shared for all members participating in the ebook. the editorial team shares the link on google drive for all members.

After two days of active work, the meeting ended and was a great success.

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Photos taken in 2 days of ebook meeting at HCMUNRE

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