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"Driving Blue Recovery for Coral Triangle"

CTI-CFF National Coordinating Committees CTI-CFF Partners

Dear Distinguished Representatives,

This coming 9th June 2021 marks yet again the celebration of the Coral Triangle (CT) Day. For this year's celebration, the theme is 'Driving Blue Recovery for Coral Triangle.'

The theme recognizes the importance of promoting and supporting 'blue recovery' activities as vital part of the CT6 member countries' recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. With people relying on coastal and marine ecosystems to provide livelihood and food security, investing and supporting biodiversity-conservation and sustainable practices are keys to a thriving future. The theme also resonates with World Ocean's Day Theme - The Ocean: Life and Livelihoods.

This year's annual event will also highlight the following (a) the importance of ocean knowledge and science towards attaining a healthy and sustainable Coral Triangle; (b) Marine and coastal ecosystem restoration; (c) food security; (d) Role of women, youth, communities, indigenous groups in coastal and marine recovery/restoration; and (e) sustainable marine ecotourism.

In this regard, we encourage you and your partners to conduct activities appropriate during these trying times and to ensure safety to you and your target participants. Some of these activities may be but not limited to webinars, podcasts, blog posts, events (virtual), social media posts, radio and tv guesting via online platforms, news and feature story releases.

Please see attached CT Day Social Media Banner designs for posting on your respective online media accounts. You may also share it to your partners.

We would appreciate receiving a copy of your planned and actual activities (including photos and videos) for uploading on the CT Day and CTI-CFF website as well as CTI-CFF social media platforms.

We look forward to your support and celebration of the Coral Triangle Day 2021.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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