



## **Provisional Prospectus**

### **Regional Workshop on Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia**

**30 May 2022  
Virtual Meeting**

#### **I. Introduction**

Gender specifically refers to society's perception of appropriate roles, obligations, behaviors, activities, and status of people. It considers what are appropriate for men and women, based on existing norms of femininity and masculinity, and can translate into power relations that can lead to gender-based hierarchies, inequalities, exclusions, expected behaviors and duties, valuation and status, benefits, and risks. Gender also highlights specific groups of people that experience disadvantage or privilege. Hence, understanding gender in the community is the way to achieve sustainable development. In this connection, gender analysis is a systematic method for examining the differences in roles and norms for women and men; the differences within social groups of men and women based on caste, class, age, race, and others; the different levels of power they hold; their different needs, constraints, and opportunities; and the impacts of these differences in their lives. Gender analysis also attempts to explain the mechanisms by which gender inequality is maintained (*e.g.*, cultural norms, institutional structures) as well as the ways with which social groups of women and men act to transform their own existing roles, relationships, and processes in their own interest.

The Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC) in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) implemented the Project “Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia” from January 2020 to June 2022. The aim of the Project was to improve and strengthen the gender dimension in selected small-scale fisheries and aquaculture value chain in Southeast Asia. The project sites were in small-scale fishing communities in Lao PDR for inland aquaculture, Myanmar for inland capture fisheries, Philippines for marine capture fisheries, and Thailand for marine aquaculture.

To present the lessons learned and achievements of the Project, SEAFDEC in collaboration with the FAO will conduct the virtual Regional Workshop on Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia on 30 May 2022 through the Zoom platform.

## II. Objectives

The objectives of the Regional Workshop are:

- To report the results of the project “Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia”
- To obtain recommendations on strengthening the integration of gender in fisheries and aquaculture in Southeast Asia

## III. Expected Outputs

- Workshop Report
- Recommendations on strengthening the integration of gender in fisheries and aquaculture in Southeast Asia

## IV. Participants of the Workshop

- At least four participants (two females and two males) from the respective ASEAN Member States including the national focal points of the Project
- Five gender focal persons from the SEAFDEC Secretariat, MFRD, AQD, MFRDMD, and IFRDMD
- Representatives from SEAFDEC partners including FAO, USAID SUFIA, UNEP Fisheries *Refugia* Project
- 10 officers from the SEAFDEC Secretariat and Training Department

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## VI. Tentative schedule

| 30 May 2022 (Monday) |  |
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| 12:30-13:00          | Login and Registration   |
| 13:00-13:30          | <b>Session 1:</b> Opening of the Workshop and introduction of participants   |
| 13:30-14:00          | <b>Session 2:</b> Background and the overall results of the project “Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia” |
| 14:00-14:15          | Group photo and refreshment break  |
| 14:15-15:00          | <b>Session 3:</b> Results of the project “Gender Dimension in the Value Chain of Small-scale Fisheries and Aquaculture in Southeast Asia” in project sites           |
| 15:00-15:45          | <b>Session 4:</b> Plenary discussion on recommendations on strengthening the integration of gender in fisheries and aquaculture in Southeast Asia                    |
| 15:45-16:00          | Closing  |