



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON THE CONSERVATION AND
MANAGEMENT OF MARINE TURTLES
AND THEIR HABITATS OF THE INDIAN
OCEAN AND SOUTH-EAST ASIA**

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The following documents were highlighted by the AC Chair to be relevant to the discussions under Agenda Items 5 (IOSEA-endorsed Research Projects) and 6 (Plans for World Sea Turtle Day), and the associated working groups.

The following documents show the continued focus by the **Western Indian Ocean Marine Turtle Task Force (WIO-MTTF)** on the pressing need to appreciate, understand, document, and work with socio-economic and cultural aspects:

- [Report of the 6th Meeting of the WIO-MTTF](#)
Of particular relevance is Appendix 1 of this report.
- [Report of the 7th Meeting of the WIO-MTTF](#)
- CMS/IOSEA/WIO-MTTF-8/Doc.2 [Synthesis of Existing Recommendations for the WIO Sub-region](#)

At the **7th Meeting of the Signatory States** in September 2014, the following relevant document was on the agenda:

- Doc.10.3 [Socio-economic and Cultural Implications of Marine Turtle Use and Conservation](#) (two PDFs)