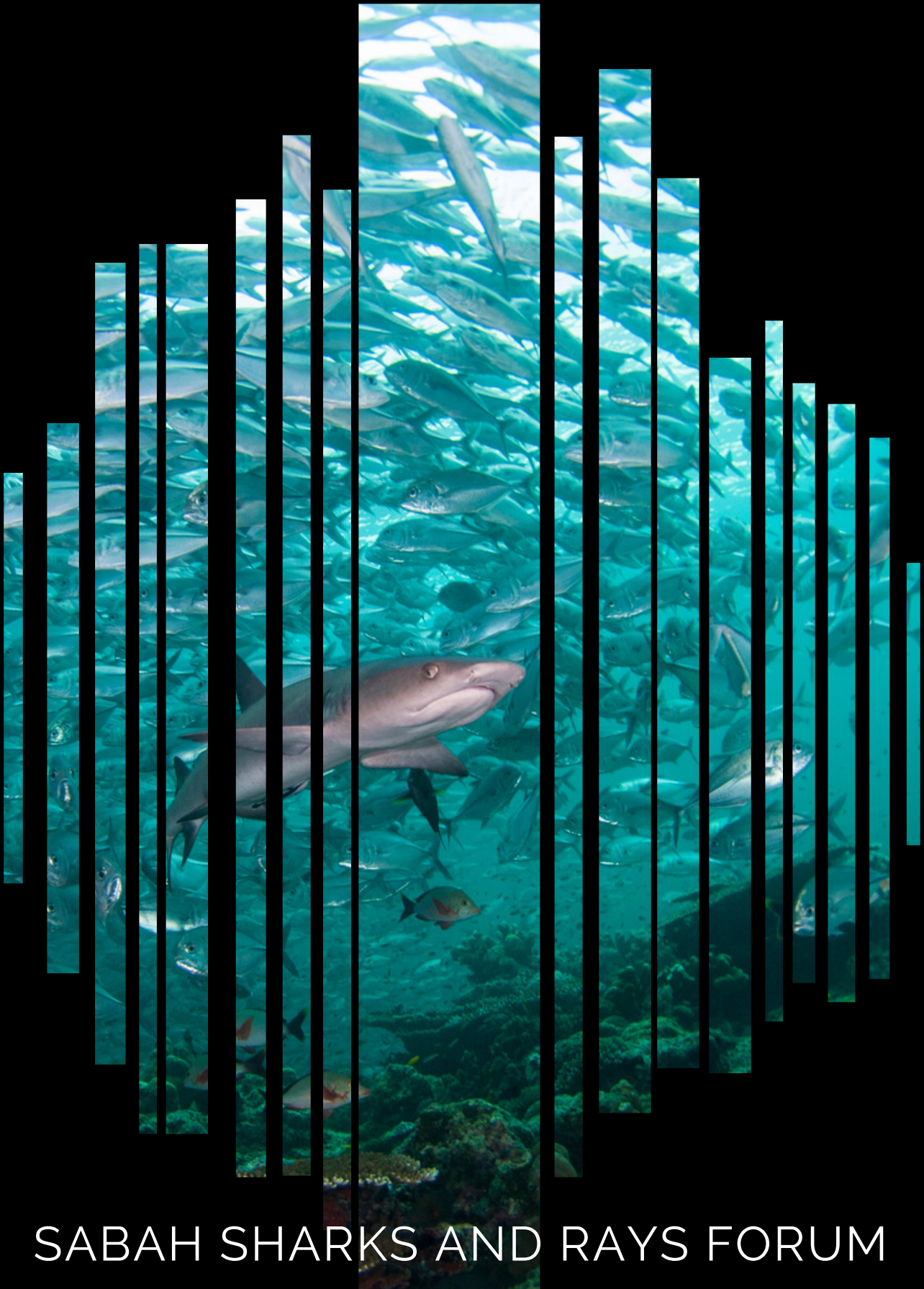


21-22 June 2018  
Grand Ballroom, Shangri-La's Tanjung Aru Resort & Spa  
Kota Kinabalu, Sabah



# SABAH SHARKS AND RAYS FORUM 2018

Exploring Synergies Between Fisheries, Conservation and Tourism

# OVERVIEW

The 'Sabah Sharks and Rays Forum 2018' is a gathering of Malaysian, regional and international experts to explore the synergies between Sabah's shark and ray-related fisheries, conservation and tourism. The Forum is a one and a half day event.

The first day provides an opportunity to share information about advances in shark and ray-focused legislation, research and awareness raising in Sabah. It also provides a platform for input and feedback by experts from the region (including the Philippines, Pakistan, Indonesia and Hong Kong) and from the international sphere. Additionally, civil society organizations will present a 'Vision for Sabah's Sharks and Rays' for discussion.

The second morning is a high-level event. Presentations will be made by a number of senior government figures and will be followed by a facilitated dialogue to discuss the core issues, evaluate challenges and explore solutions.

To ensure the views of individuals involved in Sabah's fishing industry are fully articulated and considered by participants, the organisers have hosted a dedicated event in Semporna. To convey the key messages, the outcomes will be presented and be accompanied by a short film of the event.

# OUTCOME

The expected outcome of the Forum is the advancement of ideas and plans about how to ensure the sustainability of Sabah's sharks and rays while also supporting the local fishing and tourism sectors.

# DAY 1 - THURSDAY

## 21 JUNE 2018

### SESSION 1 | OPENING

8:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	<b>Datu Rosmadi Datu Sulai</b> , Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Environment
9:15 AM	<b>Dr. Ahmad bin Ali</b> (SEAFDEC & IUCN) Malaysia's fisheries as they relate to sharks and rays
9:30 AM	<b>Dr. Mabel Matsumoto</b> (UMS): Market data on Sabah's sharks and rays
9:45 AM	<b>Aderick Chong</b> (SSPA): The importance of Sabah's sharks and rays, including a short film
10:00 AM	Panel
10:20 AM	Break

### SESSION 2 | UPDATE ON SABAH PROGRESS

10:50 AM	<b>Shantini Guna Rajan</b> (WWF- Malaysia): Law and policy on Malaysia's sharks and rays
11:00 AM	<b>Dr. Amran Hamzah</b> (UiTM): Socio- economic study on sharks and rays
11:10 AM	<b>Dr. Johanna Zimmerhackel</b> (AIMS): Ecotourism research on sharks and rays
11:20 AM	<b>Dave McCann</b> (Scuba Junkie): Locally-managed marine areas
11:30 PM	<b>Eric Yu Siaw Yean (SSPA)</b> and <b>Adzmin Fatta</b> (Green Semporna): Awareness raising work
11:40 PM	<b>David McGuire</b> (Shark Stewards): The relationships between fishing, conservation and tourism
11:50 PM	Panel Session
12:40 PM	Lunch

# LOCAL AND REGIONAL INFORMATION AND LESSON SHARING







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## SESSION 3 | REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

- 2:00 PM**      **Steven Kwek** (Widegrowth Marine Products): Fishing industry views
- 2:10 PM**      **Anna Oposa** (Save Philippine Seas): Shark policies in the Philippines
- 2:20 PM**      **Dr. Ken Kassem** (Wildlife Conservation Society): Market data from Sarawak and local/regulatory work in Indonesia
- 2:30 PM**      **Dr. Andy Cornish** (WWF-International): Global momentum on sharks
- 2:40 PM**      **Dr. Nicholas Pilcher** (Marine Research Foundation): Lessons for sharks bycatch reduction from turtle excluder device work
- 2:50 PM**      **Muhammad Moazzam Khan** (WWF-Pakistan): Shark and rays bycatch in the tuna gillnet fisheries of the northern Arabian Sea
- 3:00 PM**      **Panel Session (Q&A)**
- 3:45 PM**      **Break**

## SESSION 4 | VISION FOR SABAH SHARKS AND RAYS

- 4:15 PM**      **Dr. Rebecca Jumin/Shantini Guna Rajan** (WWF-Malaysia): 'Vision for sharks and rays'
- 4:30 PM**      **Breakout Session: Group work**
- 5:00 PM**      **Plenary Session: Feedback and group discussion**

**DAY 2 - FRIDAY**  
**22 JUNE 2018**

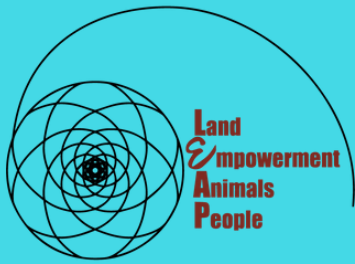
## HIGH-LEVEL OPENING

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| <b>8:00 AM</b> | Registration  |
| <b>9:00 AM</b> | <b>Lawrence Kissol</b> , Assistant Director,<br>(Marine Resource Management),<br>Department of Fisheries Sabah              |
| <b>9:20 AM</b> | <b>Dr. Rebecca Jumin</b> (WWF): Overview<br>of the key outcomes of the<br>Semporna Forum and 'vision'<br>session from Day 1 |
| <b>9:35 AM</b> | <b>Harry Jonas</b> (Forever Sabah):<br>Overview of Day 1's core messages  |

## HIGH-LEVEL DIALOGUE

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| <b>9:45 AM</b>  | Facilitator: <b>Cynthia Ong</b> (LEAP Spiral)<br>Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Dr. Jamili Nais</b>, Director, Sabah Parks</li><li>• <b>Mr. Lawrence Kissol</b>, Assistant Director (Marine Resource Management), Department of Fisheries Sabah</li><li>• <b>Shantini Guna Rajan</b>, WWF-Malaysia</li><li>• <b>Mr. Steven Kwek</b>, Widegrowth Marine Products</li><li>• <b>Dr. Nicholas Pilcher</b>, Marine Research Foundation</li></ul> |
| <b>11:00 AM</b> | <b>Y.B. Christina Liew</b> , Minister of Tourism, Culture and Environment  |
| <b>11:10 AM</b> | Gift presentations   |
| <b>11:15 AM</b> | Press conference   |
| <b>12:00 PM</b> | <b>Lunch</b>   |

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