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I	Blue Carbon Initiative Working Groups Meetings Opening Ceremony	
	Day 1 – Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018	
Ma	Main Conference Room at the 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor of the Guest Greeting Building, Dongshan Hotel	
All day	Registration for Science Working Group, Hotel Lobby	
9:00	Opening Ceremony - Welcome	
	Moderators:	
	Dr. Yan LIU, Member of Integrated Working Group, Ministry of Natural	
	Resources	
	Dr. Bin CHEN, Deputy Director General of Third Institute of	
	Oceanography, State Oceanographic Administration, Ministry of Natural	
	Resources (TIO-SOA)	
9:05	Mr. Xiaohai LIU, <i>Executive Director of Conservation International, China</i> Dr. Zhanhai ZHANG, <i>Director General of Working Group of Ocean</i>	
9.05	Strategic Planning and Economic Development, Ministry of Natural	
	Resources	
9:15	Mr. Xiaohai LIU, Executive Director Conservation International, China	
9:25	Mr. Qingchun JIANG, Deputy Director of Oceanic and Fishery	
	Department of Shandong Province	
9:35	Mr. Liang WANG, Executive Deputy Mayor of Weihai Municipal People's	
	Government	
9:45	Blue Carbon Development in China	
	Dr. Yan LIU, Member of Integrated Working Group, Ministry of Natural	
	Resources	
10:10	Introduction to blue carbon and the Blue Carbon Initiative	
	Dr. Emily PIDGEON, Senior Director, Blue Climate Program,	
	Conservation International, Co-Chair of International Blue Carbon	
10.20	Scientific Working Group	
10:20	Blue carbon: from concepts to applications	
	Professor Nianzhi JIAO, Xiamen University, Academician of Chinese Academy of Sciences	
10:45	Tea and coffee break	

11:00	<b>Blue carbon coastal ecosystems</b> Dr. Jim FOURQUREAN, <i>Professor, Florida International University</i>
11:15	<b>Blue Carbon and ocean carbon research in IOC-UNESCO</b> Dr. Salvatore ARICÒ, <i>Head of the Ocean Science Section,</i> <i>Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission-UNESCO</i>
11:35	Good practices and achievements of Marine Eco-Civilization in Weihai
12:00	Mr. Chuanliang WANG, Deputy Director of Oceanic and Fishery Bureau of Weihai Municipality Presentation of Weihai Declaration
	Dr. Bin CHEN Deputy Director General of Third Institute of Oceanography, SOA, Ministry of Natural Resources
12:10	Lunch Buffet at Dining Hall, 1st floor of the Guest Greeting Building

	International Blue Carbon Policy Working Group Meeting	
	Day 1 – Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018	
-	Room 1, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building, Dongshan Hotel	
Session 1. Opportunities for Climate Policy for Blue Carbon, greenhouse gas accounting, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), Markets and Other Mechanisms, Part I		
Introduc	ction and moderator: Dr. Emily PIDGEON, Senior Director, Blue Climate	
Progra	am, Conservation International, Co-Chair of International Blue Carbon	
	Scientific Working Group	
14:05	Introduction to International Blue Carbon Policy Working Group	
	Dr. Emily PIDGEON, Senior Director, Blue Climate Program,	
	Conservation International, Co-Chair of International Blue Carbon	
	Scientific Working Group	
14:05	International overview of blue carbon policy	
	Dr. Moritz VON UNGER, Principal, Climate Policy, Silvestrum Climate	
1 ( 20	Associates	
14:20	Recent developments of relevance to the BCI in the context of the	
	UNFCCC SBSTA	
	Dr. Salvatore ARICÒ, Head of the Ocean Science Section, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission-UNESCO	
14:35	Inclusion of coastal wetlands in greenhouse gas inventories	
	Dr. Hilary KENNEDY, Professor, Bangor University	
14:50	Implementation of greenhouse gas inventory in the United States of	
	America	
	Dr. Steve CROOKS, Principal, Wetlands Science and Coastal	
	Management, Silvestrum Climate Associates, Co-Chair of International	
	Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group	
15:05	Opportunities and policy goals for blue carbon in China	
	Dr. Wanfei QIU, China Institute for Marine Affairs, State Oceanic	
	Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China (CIMA)	
15:20	Progress of China's greenhouse gas inventory preparation and	
	thoughts on blue carbon inventory	
	Dr. Shanshan YANG, National Center for Climate Change Strategy and	
	International Cooperation	
15:40	Tea and coffee break, Group Photo	

Session 2. Opportunities for Climate Policy for Blue Carbon, Greenhouse Gas Accounting, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC), markets and	
other mechanisms, Part II	
	Moderator: Ms. Yinglan BO, SEE Foundation, China
16:00	Forestry Carbon Sequestration Policy and Measures Reference to
	Blue Carbon
	Dr. Nuyun LI, China Green Carbon Exchange Foundation
16:15	Blue carbon project development and verified carbon standards
	methodologies
	Dr. Steve CROOKS, Principal, Wetlands Science and Coastal
	Management, Silvestrum Climate Associates, Co-Chair of International
	Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group
16:30	NGO(GEI)'s efforts on promoting climate change policy and its
	implications on blue carbon initiative
	Dr. Jiaman JIN, Global Environmental Institute
16:45	Tentative Discussion on the Role of Blue Sink in China's National
	Climate Policy
	Dr. Guoqiang QIAN, Sino Carbon Innovation & Investment Co., Ltd.
	(Sino Carbon)
17:15	Discussion
18:00	Dinner Buffet at Dining Hall, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building

International Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group Meeting		
	Day 2 – Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018	
Room 2, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building, Dongshan Hotel		
Session 3. Introduction to International Blue Carbon Science Working		
	Group	
9:00	Welcome, introduction to Blue Carbon Initiative and International	
	Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group	
	Dr. Emily PIDGEON, Senior Director, Blue Climate Program,	
	Conservation International, Co-Chair of International Blue Carbon	
	Science Working Group	
	Dr. Steve CROOKS, Principal, Wetlands Science and Coastal	
	Management, Silvestrum Climate Associates, Co-Chair of International	
	Blue Carbon Science Working Group	
9:20	Dr. Guangcheng CHEN, Third Institute of Oceanography, State	
	Oceanographic Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
9:25	Mr. Jiming WANG, Oceanic and Fishery Bureau of Weihai Municipality	
9:30	Participant Introductions	
10:00	Tea and coffee break, Group Photo	
]	Room 2 Session 4a. Blue Carbon in China and the Region, Part I	
Moo	derator: Dr. Guangcheng CHEN, Third Institute of Oceanography, State	
	Oceanic Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
10:30	Coastal salt marshes of China: blue carbon potentials and challenges	
	Dr. Bo LI, Fudan University	
10:45	Blue carbon of salt marshes in the Yellow River Delta: measurement	
	and assessment	
	Dr. Guangxuan HAN, Yantai Institute of Coastal Zone Research, CAS,	
	China	
11:00	Protection & Restoration for Blue carbon ecosystems in the Yellow	
	River delta: tidal marshes, seagrass meadows and oyster reef	
	Dr. Wei WANG, First Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic	
	Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
11:15	Net Ecosystem CO <sub>2</sub> Exchange and Its Controlling Factors During the	
	Growing Season in a Salt Marsh in The Yellow River Delta, China.	
	Dr. Qinghui XING, National Marine Environmental Monitoring Center,	
	China	
11:30	Comparison of carbon dynamics of tidal marshes dominated by	
	native and invasive plants in the Min River estuary	
	Prof. Chuan TONG, Fujian Normal University, China	
11:45	Carbon storage of salt marshes in Nanhai, Weihai, China	
	Dr. Jiaqi LI, Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute	
12:00	Lunch Buffet at Dining Hall, 1st floor of the Guest Greeting Building	

	International Blue Carbon Policy Working Group Meeting	
Day 2 – Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018		
Ro	Room 1, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building, Dongshan Hotel	
Roon	n 1 Session 4b. International Blue Carbon Policy Working Group	
	Moderator: Dr. Junbao YU, Ludong University, China	
9:00	Join Session 3, Introduction to International Blue Carbon Science	
	Working Group in Room 2	
10:30	Blue Carbon Program in Dongtou Country, Zhejiang China	
	Dr. Jiaping WU, Ocean College, Zhejiang University, China	
10:45	How Blue Carbon Can Make a Difference in Wetland Restoration	
	and Mitigation Policy- Examples from Eastern Canada.	
	Dr. Gail L. CHMURA, Associate Professor, McGill University and	
	Isabel GALIANA, McGill University	
11:00	China's Incoming Emissions Trading Scheme: Options for a Blue	
	Carbon Offsetting Protocol	
	Dr. Moritz VON UNGER, Principal, Climate Policy, Silvestrum	
	Climate Associates	
11:15	Overview of the International Partnership Blue Carbon and linkage	
	with on ground projects	
	Ms. Heidi PRISLAN, Assistant Director, Environment Unit	
	Sustainability and Climate Change Branch, Department of Foreign	
	Affairs and Trade, Australian Government	
11:30	Social Responsibility on Blue Carbon in China	
	Dr. Le KANG, Dalian University of Science and Technology, China	
11:45	Discussion	
12:00	Lunch Buffet at Dining Hall, 1st floor of the Guest Greeting Building	

Session 5. Blue Carbon in China and the Region, Part II		
Mode	Moderator: Dr. Gail L. CHMURA, Associate Professor, McGill University	
14:00	A review of research on soil carbon in China's Spartina alterniflora	
	marshes	
	Dr. Xiangzhen QI, Nanjing Normal University/McGill University) and	
	Dr. Gail CHMURA, Associate Professor, McGill University, Canada	
14:15	Carbon storage of seagrass beds and comparisons with adjacent	
	mangroves swamps and unvegetated tidal flats in Southern China	
	Dr. Guanglong QIU, Researcher, Florida International University	
14:30	Carbon Storage Capacity of Seagrass Meadows in Sanggou Bay,	
	China	
	Dr. Yaping GAO, Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute, China	
14:45	Seagrass resource and carbon stock in Hainan	
	Dr. Daoru WANG, Hainan Academy of Ocean and Fisheries Sciences,	
1	China	
15:00	China Considerations in blue carbon accounting with mangrove	
	restoration	
	Dr. Guangcheng CHEN, Third Institute of Oceanography, SOA,	
	Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
15:15	Carbon Sequestration and Sediment Deposits in Mangroves of	
	China	
	Dr. Luzhen CHEN, Associate Professor, Xiamen University	
15:30	Tea and coffee break	
Session	6. Framework of the Current Blue Carbon and REDD+ framework	
Moderat	or: Dr. Catherine LOVELOCK, Professor, The University of Queensland	
16:00	Applying lessons learned from REDD+ and other ways to integrate	
	blue carbon in other frameworks and programs	
	Dr. Catherine LOVELOCK, Professor, The University of Queensland	
	Dr. Moritz VON UNGER, Principal, Climate Policy, Silvestrum	
	Climate Associates	
16:30	Carbon Methodologies in Agricultural and ForestryAn	
	Inspiration to Blue Carbon	
	Dr. Xiaoquan ZHANG, Senior Scientist for Climate Change, The Nature	
	Conservancy's China Program	
16:45	Framework consortium of blue carbon standards in China	
	Dr. Peng ZHAO, Fourth Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic	
	Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
17:00	Broad policy view relating to NDCs	
	Ms. Heidi PRISLAN, Assistant Director, Environment Unit	
	Sustainability and Climate Change Branch, Department of Foreign	
	Affairs and Trade, Australian Government	
17:15	Discussion	
18:00	Dinner Buffet at Dining Hall, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building	
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	Field Trip	
	Day 3 – Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018	
	Meet at Dongshan Hotel lobby at 6:45 am	
7:00	Depart Dongshan Hotel	
9:00	Seagrass community in Chudao Village	
11:00	National Marine Research Farm	
12:00	Lunch	
14:00	Wetland-Estuary Park in Nanhai	
14:20	Visit Blue Carbon building	
14:30	Attend signing ceremony in Blue Carbon Entrepreneurship building	
14:50	Coffee and tea break in Blue Carbon Entrepreneurship building	
15:00	Arrive salt marsh area and process a blue carbon soil core demonstration	
17:30	Departure for dinner	
18:00	Dinner	
19:30	Departure to Hotel	
21:00	Arrive Dongshan Hotel	

International Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group		
	Day 4 – Friday 31 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018	
Room 2, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building, Dongshan Hotel		
	Session 7. Panel Discussion: Criteria for defining blue carbon ecosystems	
	Moderator: Dr. Emily PIDGEON, Senior Director, Blue Climate Program,	
Conse	ervation International, Co-Chair of International Blue Carbon Scientific	
9:00	Working Group Panal Discussion: Critoria for defining blue carbon accessions	
9:00	<b>Panel Discussion: Criteria for defining blue carbon ecosystems</b> Dr. Steve CROOKS, Principal, <i>Wetlands Science and Coastal</i>	
	Management, Silvestrum Climate Associates, Co-Chair of International	
	Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group	
	Dr. Catherine LOVELOCK, Professor, The University of Queensland	
	Dr. Miguel CIFUENTES, Researcher, Climate Change and Watershed	
	Program, Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza,	
	Costa Rica (CATIE) (Skype 7:00 PM Costa Rica)	
	Blue carbon Chinese scientists	
10:00	Tea and coffee break	
	Session 8. Blue Carbon Potential Ecosystems	
Moder	ators: Dr. Jianguang FANG, Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute and	
	Dr. Hilary KENNEDY, Bangor University	
10:30	The potential carbon sequestration function of macroalgae	
	mariculture	
10.45	Dr. Yuzhe MAO, Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute, China	
10:45	The role of bivalve mariculture in marine carbon cycle and potential	
	carbon sequestration	
11:00	Dr. Zengjie JIANG, Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute, <i>China</i> <b>Considerable Environmental Benefits of Seaweed Aquaculture in</b>	
11.00	China	
	Dr. Runjie JIN and Prof. Jiaping WU, Zhejiang University, <i>China</i>	
11:15	Importance of microbial carbon pump in climate change mitigation	
	Dr. Jihua LIU, Shandong University, China	
	Dr. Yongyu ZHANG, Qingdao Institute of Bioenergy and Bioprocess	
	Technology, CAS, China	
11:30	Discussion	
12:00	Lunch Buffet at Dining Hall, 1st floor of the Guest Greeting Building	

Session 9. International Blue Carbon Reports	
Moderator: Dr. Nuria MARBA, Associate Researcher, Institut Mediterrani	
d'Estudis Avancats	
14:00	CO <sub>2</sub> and CH <sub>4</sub> fluxes during the restoration process of salt marsh in
	Massachusetts, USA.
	Dr. Jianwu TANG, Associate Scientist, Woods Hole Marine Biological
	Laboratory
14:15	Carbon sequestration in tidal marshes: what is it, what regulates it,
	and how do you measure it?
	Dr. James MORRIS, Distinguished Research Professor, University of
	Southern Carolina
14:30	Global Science and Data Network for Coastal Blue Carbon.
	Dr. Patrick MEGONIGAL, Associate Director for Research, Principal
	Investigator, Smithsonian Environmental Research Center
14:45	New global blue carbon ecosystem maps
	Ms. Emily LANDIS, Coastal Wetlands Strategy Lead, The Nature
	Conservancy
15:00	A Novel Sonar Technique for Non-Destructive Measurement of
	Seagrass Soil Carbon
	Dr. Faiz RAHMAN, Professor, University o Texas Rio Grande Valley,
	USA
	MMM5 International Mangrove Conference
	Dr. Dan FRIESS, Professor, National University of Singapore, China
15:15	Challenges and Opportunities in Optimizing Blue Carbon in
	Philippine Mangroves
	Dr. Severino SALMO III, Assistant Professor, Ateneo de Manila
	University & University of the Ryukyus, Okinawa, Japan
15:30	Tea and coffee break

	Session 10. International Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group Conclusion Moderator: Dr. Salvatore ARICÒ, Head of the Ocean Science Section, Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission-UNESCO	
16:00	Concluding remarks from Policy and Science Working Group	
	meetings	
	Dr. Salvatore ARICÒ, Head of the Ocean Science Section,	
	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission-UNESCO	
	Dr. Emily PIDGEON, Senior Director, Blue Climate Program,	
	Conservation International, Co-Chair of International Blue Carbon	
	Scientific Working Group	
	Dr. Steve CROOKS, Principal, Wetlands Science and Coastal	
	Management, Silvestrum Climate Associates, Co-Chair of International	
	Blue Carbon Scientific Working Group	
16:20		
10.20	Dr. Guangcheng CHEN, Third Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic	
	Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
16:30	Other Chinese guests	
18:00	Dinner Buffet at Dining Hall, 1st floor of the Guest Greeting Building	

	Day 5 – Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> September, 2018	
ŀ	Room 2, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor of the Guest Greeting Building, Dongshan Hotel	
	Session 11. Informal discussions and presentations	
9:00	Updates on existing blue carbon manual "Coastal Blue Carbon:	
	methods for assessing carbon stocks and emissions factors in	
	mangroves, tidal salt marshes, and seagrass meadows"	
	Dr. Jorge RAMOS, Manager, Oceans and Climate, Conservation	
	International	
9:15	Discussion	
10:30	Tea and coffee break	
	Session 12. Informal discussions and presentations	
11:10	New blue carbon research development and national synthesis	
	Dr. Guangcheng CHEN, Third Institute of Oceanography, State Oceanic	
	Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	
11:15	Discussion	
12:00	Lunch Buffet at Dining Hall, 1st floor of the Guest Greeting Building	

