

TRIP REPORT
Launch of GEF Timor-Leste Project
August 2018

Name of GEF Project	Securing the Long-term Conservation of Timor-Leste Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services through the Establishment of a functioning National Protected Area Network and the Improvement of Natural Resource Management in Priority Catchment Corridor
Meeting/Workshop dates	August 22 – 23, 2018
Meeting/Workshop location	Dili, Timor-Leste
Purpose of the trip	The implementation phase of the CI-GEF Timor-Leste project has begun. The purpose of the trip was to officially launch the project in Timor-Leste.
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The implementation phase of the CI-GEF Timor-Leste project was officially launched. The launch was well attended (100+) and included both national and local government officials, communities and other development partners.

Sergio and Raimundo led the workshop and gave excellent presentations on the project, its work plan, and budget, and conservation planning. These presentations were well received and the interaction from the audience was also positive. The agenda for the workshop is presented below.

Workshop Agenda:

Day 1: Wed August 22nd 2018 – Official launch of project by Minister of MAF (or delegate), Secretary of Environment, and CI senior staff. The launch will include speeches (ye; coffee; overall of the projects inception including design, implementing partners, steering committee structure, workplan, and budget; Lunch' questions and discussion after lunch; coffee; presentation on the planning process for NKS Management Plan (Component 1 is PA under GEF6)

Day 2: Thursday August 23rd 2018 – will be a series of joint presentations from CI and communities about the work we do, the Co-management Model, and what benefit it brings to the communities and therefore TL. We are currently discussing with communities about the who and what they would like to present. Sergio will present the project overview and engagement and LAKA from the local NGO will present his Herpetology work.