



## Mama Coco Sea Project



### Workshop 5

#### North East of south America, Regional cooperation for a MMs conservation strategy

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#### Recommendations for regional scientific cooperation

1. First recommendation: to initiate cooperation on marine mammals in northeastern of Latin America region, we should concentrate first on knowledge. All species in the region should be considered with a special attention for *Sotalia* spp.
2. Second recommendation: what we intend to do in the short term
  - Update and complete the ICoMMPA2 workshop 5 background paper
  - Organize a new workshop to:
    - establish the state of art on knowledge on marine mammals (species and critical habitats), threats and current legal management framework by country. In some cases, assistance for data analysis will be needed
    - set up an action plan action plan (including *inter alia* capacity building through training courses, regional survey, stranding network...)

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3. Third recommendation: how? Who? Raise Funds?
  - Take the opportunity of the existing regional projects and foresee the way to develop synergies (example: Rios de America project)
  - Amazon cooperation treaty organization, Guiana shield facility
  - To develop a strategy for fund raising
  - To involve RAC-SPAW and the following countries : Brazil, French Guiana, Suriname, Guyana, Venezuela, Trinidad & Tobago and ABC Dutch Caribbean islands