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### CO-EXISTING OPPORTUNITIES & SYNERGIES: EXPLORING OPPORTUNITIES FOR A SUSTAINABLY HARVESTED AND PRODUCTIVE OCEAN IN THE WTA BLUE ECONOMY IN CRFM MEMBER STATES MAREN HEADLEY CRFM SECRETARIAT

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## **BLUE ECONOMY**

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#### COMPETITIVE AND PROFITABLE FISHERIES AND MARINE RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE BLUE ECONOMIC SPACE OF RESPECTIVE MEMBER STATES

- Enhanced industries' role and contribution within the blue economy by strengthening competitive advantage, product development and value addition, and overall profitability of fisheries and aquaculture.
- Promulgate and support implementation of regulations, guidelines and <u>Protocols on Good Fish and Fishery</u> <u>Product Hygiene Practices</u> in private sector companies.
- Improved uptake, sustainability, and economies of scale, via sustainability plans and strengthened capacities, documentation and sharing of lessons and best practices for building institutional memory and adaptive learning.
- Enhanced cross-sectoral collaboration and knowledge generation on differentiated social and cultural factors impacting gender equality and youth engagement in fisheries.
- Updated policies and protocols, and programmes implemented to improve occupational health, working conditions, safety, social security and welfare of fishers and fishing communities



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#### CAPACITY BUILDING AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING IN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR, TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE RESOURCE USE, MANAGEMENT, AND CONSERVATION

- Fisheries governance is benefiting from strengthened national fisheries administrations, fisherfolk organisations and other supporting institutional frameworks, to collaborate and participate actively to promote small-scale fisheries interests in fisheries management and conservation processes at local, national, and regional levels.
- Member States and stakeholders have access to formal fisheries and aquaculture education programmes delivered through strengthened fisheries extension services.
- Strengthened small, medium, and micro enterprises in business and financial planning, management, marketing, and entrepreneurship.
- Increased understanding of the differentiated social and cultural factors impacting labour and poverty of women, men, youth in fisheries, and gender-responsive approaches to address these issues.
- Improved technical collaboration and knowledge exchange, by engaging relevant commercial organizations and public sector entities to support effective implementation of proposed interventions.
- Promote technology transfer on environmentally friendly fishing technology and fishing practices.





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- To promote blue economy development in the CLME+ through marine spatial planning and marine protected areas (MPAs), ecosystem approach to fisheries (EAF), and sustainable seafood value chains
- Five Member States of the Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM), namely Barbados, Belize, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Lucia, and Panama (OSPESCA Member State)
- CRFM-executing agency for the project
- Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)-lead implementing agency
- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)-co-implementing agency
- Currently awaiting endorsement of the Project Document by the GEF and commencement of activities in 2022



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Component 1 Implementing cross-sectoral Marine Spatial Planning	Outcome 1.1 Governments and key stakeholders enabled to support the sustainable use of fisheries and key marine habitats
	Outcome 1.2 The protection of critical fish habitats has been established/expanded, and informed by national marine spatial planning (MSP).
Component 2 Inclusive Sustainable Fisheries Value Chains	Outcome 2.1 New and strengthened national and regional seafood value chains supporting realization of blue economy opportunities and sustainable development goals





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Component 3 Regional Coordination, Project Management & Knowledge Management Outcome 3.1 Strengthened regional BE cooperation and coordination, and increased governments' capacity to adopt ecosystem-based fisheries management practices

Outcome 3.2 Project implementation according to result- based management and lessons learned systematized and disseminated

Outcome 3.3 Knowledge shared between Caribbean countries and organizations, and GEF IW projects in partnership with IW:LEARN



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