

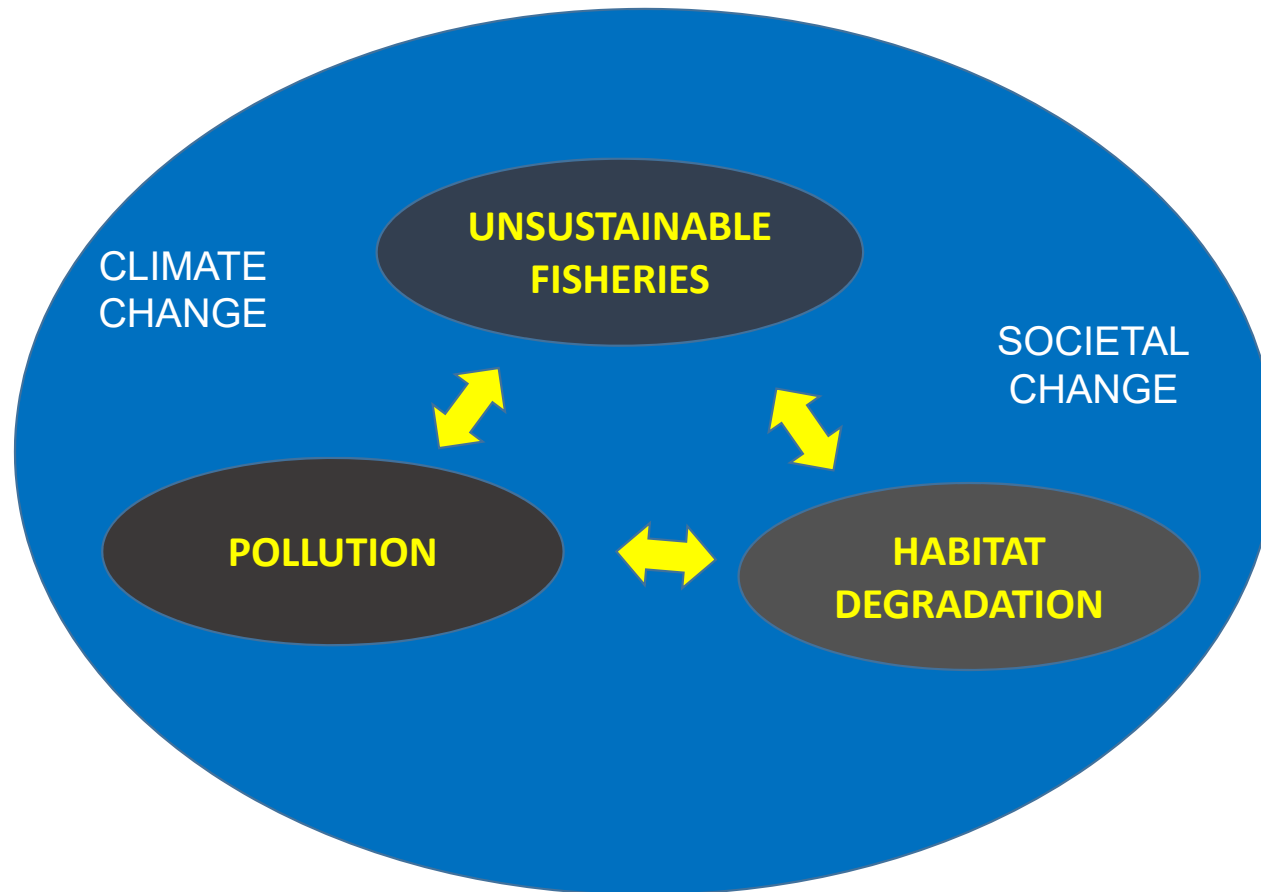
The Interim Coordination Arrangement for Sustainable Fisheries



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CLME TRANSBOUNDARY DIAGNOSTIC ANALYSES:
3 KEY PROBLEMS throughout the CLME+



ROOT CAUSES of the 3 (+1) CLME issues

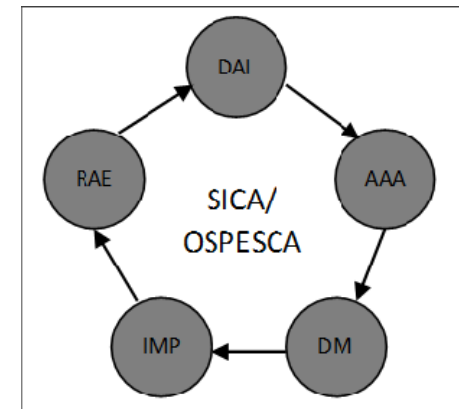
- *Weaknesses in **GOVERNANCE***
 - *limited **HUMAN & FINANCIAL** resources;*
 - *inadequate (ACCESS to) **DATA** and **INFORMATION/KNOWLEDGE***
 - *inadequate public **AWARENESS** and **INVOLVEMENT***
 - *inadequate consideration of the **VALUE** of **ECOSYSTEM** goods & services*
 - ***POPULATION GROWTH** and **CULTURAL** pressures;*
 - *trade and **EXTERNAL DEPENDENCY***

10- year endorsed CLME+ SAP

STRATEGY 2			Time Frame	
Enhance the regional governance arrangements for sustainable fisheries			Short-Term (0-5 yrs)	Medium-Term (6-10 yrs)
2.1 (A)	Establish an interim arrangement for sustainable fisheries coordinated by FAO-WECAFC and including CRFM; OSPESCA; and OECS			
2.2 (A)	Review, and reform WECAFC as needed to clarify and strengthen its mandate and relationships with Regional Fisheries Bodies such as CRFM, OSPESCA and ICCAT			
2.3 (A)	Evaluate the needs and the options, agree on the mandate & operationalise a Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (RFMO) or alternative arrangement for the management of shared living marine resources (as applicable*)		evaluate & agree*	
				operationalise*



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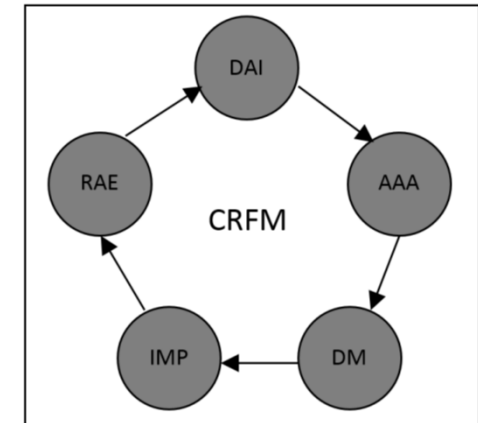
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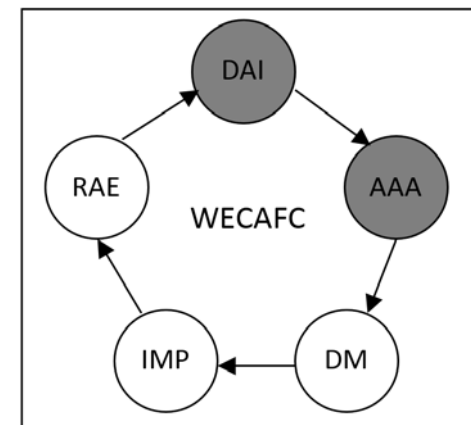
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Interim Coordination Arrangement for Sustainable Fisheries

- Objective - Enhance the regional governance mechanisms for sustainable fisheries through the formalization of an interim arrangement to facilitate, support and strengthen the coordination of actions among the organisations for sustainable fisheries in the Western Central Atlantic region.
- Areas for collaboration
 - Priority areas in **CRFM-OSPESCA Joint Action Plan**
 - **Technical Working Groups** (e.g. spiny lobster, queen conch, IUU, shrimp & groundfish)
 - Implementation of **CLME+ SAP** and **CLME+ Project Document actions and activities** related to RFBs mandate and scope

Interim Coordination Arrangement for Sustainable Fisheries

- RFBs agree
 - To work towards **harmonization** of their respective **policy and legal frameworks** for fisheries
 - To **cooperate on relevant scientific and fisheries management projects**
 - To establish **reciprocal observer arrangements**
 - To **share reports** of their sessions and meetings of their subsidiary bodies and projects

Status of Interim Coordination Arrangement for Sustainable Fisheries

- Memorandum of Understanding
 - Three meetings undertaken to negotiate Memorandum of Understanding between RFBs (*September, October & December*)
 - MOU reviewed by legal departments
 - Three RFBs have done final review and are in agreement with MOU text
 - MOU awaiting signature
- Initial definition of Work Plan of Interim Arrangement
 - Initial discussion on work plan (*end of October*)
 - Follow-up discussion/meeting (*2 December*)

Elements of Work Plan of Interim Arrangement

Priority Areas	Nov-Jan	Feb-Apr	May-Jul	Aug-Oct
Conch	Distribution of draft Queen Conch Management & Conservation Plan	National level consultations Review and endorsement of plan at CRFM and OSPESCA governance mechanisms	Review and endorsement at 16 Session of WECAFC	Endorsement of queen conch management & conservation plan at CITES COP
Spiny Lobster	Publication and dissemination of the report of the 1st joint Lobster Working Group meeting	Confirmation of OSPESCA Regulation on Lobster and CRFM declaration to be presented to WECAFC	Endorsement of the harmonized lobster measures by 16 Session of WECAFC	Joint awareness raising campaign on spiny lobster measures
IUU		1st meeting of the IUU Working Group		

Interim Coordination Arrangement for Sustainable Fisheries

Technical level

Working groups (joint or stand alone) collect scientific information, and expert members carry out analysis (involvement of key private sector stakeholders and NGOs) working groups are species based, fisheries based or aim to tackle specific subject (have biannual work plans)

Subregional policy/decision making level



CRFM and OSPESCA carry out internal review of working group advice/recommendations and amend and approve this for their members

Regional policy/decision making level



CRFM and/or OSPESCA decisions are passed to WECAFC for discussion and final review and approval at regional level

Thank you

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