



Pacific
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Solomon Islands

country statement

1. NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Outline up to three new developments in the last twelve months relating to fisheries and/or aquaculture in your country/territory which are relevant to HoF.

- Provide opportunities for rural fishers and communities through promotion of inshore fisheries and increase contribution of commercial and large-scale tuna fisheries to the national revenue:
 - implement Bina Harbour Tuna Processing Plant project;
 - implement Noro electronic Port project; and
 - enhance the electronic monitoring and reporting systems for the longline fishery.
- Improve and strengthen the contribution of small-scale fisheries for food security and socio-economic benefits of fishing communities:
 - progress Tilapia hatchery project at Aruligo, West Guadalacanal.

2. KEY FISHERIES/AQUACULTURE DECISIONS

What are the key fisheries and/or aquaculture decisions (1–2) that will have to be made in your country/territory over the next couple of years?

- Implement sea cucumber management policy.
- Scale-up reach of CBRM nation wide and set species catch limits in community fisheries management plans.
- Promote private sector investments on commercial commodities prioritized for commercial aquaculture.

3. KEY EMERGING PRIORITIES

What does your country/territory consider to be the top emerging priorities for fisheries or aquaculture in the Pacific Islands region?

- Support indigenous resource owners in marine resources business management plans through establishment of new fisheries centers in the province.
- Introduce a new improved seaweed strand that is resilient to impacts of climate change.
- Develop a coastal fisheries data management system.