



# Scaling-up Community-based Fisheries Management in the Pacific Virtual Regional Workshop 2-4 March 2021

## Background

Ensuring widespread Community-based Fisheries Management (CBFM)<sup>1</sup> practice was identified by members and partners as a priority topic at the SPC 12<sup>th</sup> Heads of Fisheries (HoF) meeting in May 2020. Recognizing the importance of having effective CBFM in the Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs), the HoF requested SPC-FAME to work with regional technical partners, in assisting members to develop and implement effective ways to scale-up CBFM<sup>2</sup>. The need for effective CBFM in the PICTs was further reiterated at the First Regional Fisheries Ministerial Meeting (RFMM) in August 2020, where Fisheries Ministers called for the strengthening of coastal fisheries management underpinned by CBFM.

To fulfill this, SPC-FAME, with the assistance of its regional partners, facilitated a series of three subregional workshops in January-February 2021, involving members and their implementing partners from respectively Polynesia, Micronesia, and Melanesia. These workshops allowed countries from the same sub-region and cultural background to learn from what has been done already and to discuss ways to achieve scaling-up of CBFM. As such, participants assessed country CBFM scaling-up status, shared approaches, experiences, lessons-learned and opportunities in implementing CBFM, and identified potential strategies to expand CBFM. These workshops followed a structure proposed in the SPC Information Paper “Scaling-up community-based fisheries management in the Pacific region”<sup>3</sup>.

Following from these subregional workshops and feedback on the Information Paper, SPC-FAME now seeks to identify and discuss common issues at a combined virtual CBFM regional workshop to be held from 2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2021. This regional workshop will set the foundation for a region-wide CBFM scaling-up framework that builds directly on the inputs from members. This framework ultimately seeks to assist members to scale-up CBFM in ways that is appropriate to their different country contexts and conditions.

## Workshop Objectives

The workshop objectives are to:

- a) Discuss key priority areas of implementation to achieve scaling-up of CBFM
- b) Discuss key targets and indicators to monitor progress
- c) Develop the draft regional CBFM scaling-up framework

## Workshop Expected Outputs

The workshop outputs are:

- a) Key priority areas to achieve scaling-up of CBFM are identified
- b) Key targets and indicators to monitor implementation of scaling-up CBFM are identified
- c) Draft regional CBFM scaling-up framework advanced

## Workshop information

- The virtual regional CBFM workshop will take place over **three (3) morning sessions (Tuesday 2 March to Thursday 4 March, from 10:00 to 12:30 (Noumea Time))**. The agenda is

<sup>1</sup> There are many terms used by countries that encompass community-based fisheries management and this could be used interchangeably, provided they are community driven and encompass an ecosystem approach that will sustain livelihoods and ensure resilient communities.

<sup>2</sup> The term ‘scaling up’ is used in this brief as it is in the New Song, to refer to the process of moving from a few examples of CBFM to achieving coverage of a meaningful proportion of the coastal environment. The LMMA network uses ‘100%’ to capture this scaling ambition.

<sup>3</sup> The Information Paper provides a seed for discussions and feedback towards the Draft Regional Framework and is available at <http://purl.org/spc/digilib/doc/cc937>



designed to have 10-20 minutes of presentations and 2 hours of break-out group work, discussions and group presentations.

- The virtual meeting room will be open from **9:00am**, therefore requesting all workshop participants to join the meeting at this time to facilitate starting of the workshop at 10:00am.
- The workshop will be conducted through the **zoom online platform** and in both English and French. National Fisheries agencies and in-country CBFM partners are kindly requested to assist nominated community representatives on this.
- All documents relating to the workshop can be found on the SPC FAME meeting web page: <https://fame1.spc.int/en/meetings/255>
- For any other enquiries regarding the workshop please, contact SPC FAME on: [FAME\\_Meetings@spc.int](mailto:FAME_Meetings@spc.int)



## Workshop Agenda

| Day 1 – Tuesday 2 March 2021                        |   |                                  |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| Direct Community-based Fisheries Management Actions |   |                                  |
| Time<br>(Noumea)                                    | Sessions  | Lead                             |
| 09:00-10:00   | Please could everyone endeavour to join the meeting at this time to facilitate starting of the meeting at 10:00am Noumea Time. Thank you.   |                                  |
| 10:00-10:15   | Official opening, opening prayer, welcome and workshop procedures   | SPC                              |
| 10:15-10:30   | Plenary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation on emerging issues and needs: <b>direct community-based fisheries management actions</b></li> </ul>                      | SPC                              |
| 10:30-11:30   | Breakout group discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on subregional and national issues and needs identified and proposed targets and indicators??</li> </ul> | BoG Facilitators and Note takers |
| 11:30-12:20   | Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of breakout group discussions</li> <li>• Implications for targets and indicators</li> </ul>                                    | Groups                           |
| 12:20-12:30   | Wrap up day 1   | SPC                              |
| End of day 1  |   |                                  |

| Day 2 – Wednesday 3 March 2021                               |  |                                  |
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| Enabling conditions for Community-based Fisheries Management |  |                                  |
| Time   | Sessions   | Lead                             |
| 09:00-10:00  | Please could everyone endeavour to join the meeting at this time to facilitate starting of the meeting at 10:00am Noumea Time. Thank you.  |                                  |
| 10:00-10:15  | Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation emerging issues and needs: <b>enabling conditions for community-based fisheries management</b></li> </ul>                | SPC                              |
| 10:15-11:45  | Breakout group discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on subregional and national issues and needs identified and proposed targets and indicators?</li> </ul> | BoG Facilitators and Note takers |
| 11:45-12:20  | Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of breakout group discussions</li> <li>• Implications for targets and indicators</li> </ul>                                   | Groups                           |
| 12:20-12:30  | Wrap up day 2  | SPC                              |
| End of day 2   |  |                                  |



### Day 3 – Thursday 4 March 2021

#### Final matters and way forward

| Time                | Sessions   | Lead                             |
|---------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| <b>09:00-10:00</b>  | <b>Please could everyone endeavour to join the meeting at this time to facilitate starting of the meeting at 10:00am Noumea Time. Thank you.</b>   |                                  |
| 10:00-10:20         | Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advancing the CBFM scaling-up framework</li> </ul>  | SPC                              |
| 10:20-11:45         | Breakout group discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outstanding matters for discussion</li> </ul>                                    | BoG Facilitators and Note takers |
| 11:45-12:20         | Plenary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary of breakout group discussions</li> <li>Any key issues / final matters identified</li> </ul> | Groups                           |
| 12:20-12:30         | Wrap up day 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outlining way forward and official closing</li> </ul>   | SPC                              |
| <b>End of day 3</b> |  |                                  |

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