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**FAO ACTIVITIES AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE PROVIDED
FOR EXTERNAL EVENTS**

SELECTED PROJECTS COORDINATED BY FAO

PROJECT AREA	DESCRIPTION	GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE OR DONOR	END DATE
Port State Measure Agreement (PSMA)	Technical support for implementing the PSMA Global Development Programme by improving Members' capacity to implement and complement monitoring, control, and surveillance (MCS) operations, measures, and tools. To strengthen national policy and legislative frameworks to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (IUU) fishing; to support national and domestic competencies and regional coordination amongst relevant national and regional agencies and institutions, and increase transparency and traceability in fisheries sector activities.	Spain	December 2019
Port State Measure Agreement	Follow-up action and support for the Global Record Programme to implement the PSMA and complement MCS operations, measures, and tools. The main objective of the Global Record Programme is to provide a practical and powerful tool to deter and eliminate IUU fishing within the framework of legal instruments, including the PSMA.	European Union	December 2019
Value Chain	The Fisheries Sector Support Project (FSSP) is targeted to artisanal fishing communities in order to better implement fisheries management, based on the principles of the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (EAF), to ensure food safety in these communities. Implementation of the project will increase the income of artisanal fishing communities by improving fisheries management throughout the fish value chain, including fishing, processing, marketing, servicing, and trade.	Angola	December 2019
Fisheries Trade Data	Assessment of trade in CITES-listed marine species, summarizing ten years (2007–2016) in a subset of commercially exploited marine taxa listed in CITES Appendix II. The assessment was developed with the assistance of trade experts, revealing the strengths and challenges of collating and reporting on trade in CITES-listed marine species. Additional data sets of relevance to the trade of marine species were also highlighted, including recommendations for further refinement and improvement of CITES reporting (fao.org/documents/card/en/c/cb2971en)	Global	December 2019
Value Chain	The Intra- African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP) Fisheries Value Addition and Trade Programme employs a strategic value chain development approach to fisheries and aquaculture. It aims to strengthen value chains, enhancing their contribution to securing and enhancing the role that fisheries and aquaculture play in food security and nutrition, employment and export revenues for ACP countries.	ACP Countries	2020

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Value Chains	In collaboration with the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute-ICAR, based in Kochi, India, FAO organized a Global Expert Meeting to support the preparation of a guidance on the collection of value chain information for sharks and rays. The guidance benefited from studies on shark and ray trade being conducted in a number of different countries simultaneously, describing the various methodologies being adopted, with real-world examples and experience-sharing in refining strategies to promote sustainable fishing and trade in this vulnerable marine group.	Global	Mid-2020
Sustainable Fisheries	The project's overall objective is to consolidate and scale up the good practices drawn from the interventions in Lake Ngolome in post-harvest loss reduction and responsible fisheries management, and to address food and nutrition security and poverty eradication in an environmentally sound manner.	Angola	June 2020
Fish Quality Control	Inspection and certification system, including regulatory practices and establishment of competent authorities, harmonization with international market requirements for exporting fish products.	Eritrea	August 2020
Food Loss and Waste	To improve hygiene and reduce post-harvest fish losses through training on good hygiene practices and improving drying and smoking fish processing techniques. The project also aims to help fishers and fish processing associations to acquire improved processing equipment for drying (drying racks) and smoking (smoking kilns).	Burundi	September 2020
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Gender and Value Chain	The FAO-Thiaroye fish processing technique (FTT-Thiaroye ovens) aims to improve the working conditions of women fish operators, their livelihoods, and family nutrition. This processing technology enhances the quality of smoked fish produced by small-scale women fish operators and enables them to access more lucrative local, national and regional markets.	Benin	December 2020
Sustainable Fisheries	To intensify fisheries, aquaculture, and livestock sustainable production in African, Caribbean, and Pacific (ACP) countries.	Caribbean (3) Africa (6) Pacific (1)	2021
Aquaculture Value Chain	The Mediterranean Aquaculture Integrated Development project (MedAid) aims to provide innovative knowledge and tools to improve the performance of the production systems, develop value-added products and business plans, and develop practical approaches and recommendations to help integration, harmonization, and governance of the sector across the Mediterranean.	Inter-regional Mediterranean area	April 2021
Aquaculture Value Chain	To stimulate economic growth and ensure food security through enhanced aquaculture production and productivity, including improvements in rural household living standards.	Zambia	June 2021
Small-scale Fisheries Value Chain	To improve the small-scale fisheries value chain and provide guidance for developing cooperatives and business plans and training on good hygiene practices.	Equatorial Guinea	December 2021
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Blue Ports Initiative	The Blue Ports Initiative responds to FAO's four betters and accelerators by approaching marine ports as knowledge hubs, where many activities directly influence people's lives. It aims to create employment, stimulate business development, advance technology, and innovation, and is linked to social development by strengthening skills and capacities. The main areas of work focus on capacity building through workshops, exchange of good practices, development of tools (e.g. good practices guidance document, guidance document to become a Blue port) and technical assistance to strengthen the fisheries value chain.	Global	December 2022

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International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture (IYAFA 2022)	Celebration of the International Year under the lead of FAO, in line with the agreed Global Action Plan for the year with the development and support of different related activities and events.	Global	Early 2023
Port State Measure Agreement	Technical support for implementing the PSMA Global Development Programme by improving Members' capacity to implement and complement MCS operations, measures, and tools. To strengthen national policy and legislative frameworks to combat IUU fishing, support national and domestic competencies and regional coordination amongst relevant national and regional agencies and institutions, and increase transparency and traceability in fisheries sector activities.	Iceland	March 2023
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Food Loss and Waste	To enhance the sustainable utilization of fisheries and aquaculture products and their contribution to livelihoods and food security by applying multi-dimensional solutions to reduce loss and waste in fish value chains.	Sri Lanka United Republic of Tanzania Colombia	November 2023
Small-scale Fisheries	To support the implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-scale Fisheries, including Chapter 7 on value chains, post-harvest and trade	Global Regional United Republic of Tanzania Namibia Philippines Oman Indonesia Madagascar Senegal Cabo Verde Côte d'Ivoire Malawi	December 2023

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Value Chain	Sustainable Value Chains for the Mediterranean (SVC4MED) is a four-year project aiming to improve wild shrimp and rainbow trout value chains in the Mediterranean by maximizing economic and social benefits while minimizing negative impacts on the environment, in line with the FAO Blue Transformation Initiative	Albania Italy Lebanon Turkey Tunisia	July 2024
Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 14.b – Provide Access for Small-scale Artisanal Fishers to Marine Resources and Markets	As the custodian agency for SDG indicator 14.b.1, FAO organizes related support activities, in particular, capacity development workshops	Global Regional (Asia, Pacific)	Ongoing support

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Pacific Regional Workshop on Exploring Sustainable Development Goal Target 14.b and its Indicator 14.b.1	Nadi, Fiji	April 2019	Workshop to streamline the SDG indicator attended by representatives from FAO Pacific Island member countries (the Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, and Vanuatu), as well as local and regional stakeholders and organizations, civil society organizations (CSOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs).
Global Stock-taking and Best Practices	Vigo, Spain	June 2019	The workshop aimed to bring together experts with different fishing port-related interests and expertise. It explored modalities to work together considering different port contexts, the challenges and opportunities in implementing the Blue Growth Strategy in Fishing Ports, and lay the foundations to establish a network of Blue Fishing Ports.
FAO Fish Price Index Workshop	Syracuse, Italy	September 2019	Seminar to identify price evolutions. FAO initiated the Fish Price Index (FPI) work in cooperation with Norwegian institutions in 2007. The FPI is regularly published in GLOBEFISH publications, the FAO Food Outlook and the FAO State of Fisheries and Aquaculture (SOFIA).
IX World Tuna Conference	Vigo, Spain	September 2019	The largest gathering of major tuna industry players from all over the world. The event addressed the latest developments in the global and regional tuna industries, including a wide range of topics on resources, fisheries management, markets and marketing, products and quality developments, new technology, trade, food safety, sustainability eco-labeling, and environmental issues.
FAO-CONXEMAR International Congress on Social Sustainability and the International Frozen Seafood Exhibition	Vigo, Spain	September - October 2019	The Congress aimed to promote the recognition and protection of human and labour rights worldwide, to encourage better practices on social responsibility in fisheries and aquaculture value chains. It was attended by approximately 350 participants from the industry, government institutions, NGOs, associations, unions, civil society and academia.
The WTO Public Forum 2019 – Trade in Fisheries Services – Today and Beyond	Geneva, Switzerland	October 2019	FAO organized a Working Session in the WTO Public Forum on the importance of trade in fisheries services, with its positive implications for productivity, employment, transfer of know-how and income distribution, empowering stakeholders throughout the value chain.

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FAO's "International Symposium on Fisheries Sustainability": Strengthening the science-policy nexus FAO	Rome, Italy	November 2019	The FAO Symposium addressed the need for a new vision for capture fisheries, outlining how the sector needs to transform in response to society's complex and rapidly changing challenges.
"Venda seu Peixe" Seminar and the launch of the 2020 Seafood Show Latin America	São Paulo, Brazil	October 2019	The event aimed to increase consumption and generate business opportunities for participants in the fish value chain. FAO presented global and regional trends in production and trade. This event was a regional event, combined with a regional exhibition for 2020.
International Seafood Trade Forum	Paris, France	October 2019	Since 2015, the Fisheries Policy Research Division of the Korea Maritime Institute (KMI) has organized the International Seafood Trade Forum (ISTF) in the Asia region (China, Quindao, and Shanghai; Thailand, Bangkok; Viet Nam, Ho Chi Minh City and Korea, Busan). The 2019 event was held in Europe to enhance the understanding of trade between Asia and Europe. The event was organized by KMI and the European Association of Fisheries Economists (EAFE).
Advanced Specialized Course Centre International de Hautes Études Agronomiques Méditerranéennes (CIHEAM)	Bari, Italy	October 2019	Training on crosscutting themes related to sustainable seafood value chains. Topics included food safety, quality standards, food loss and waste, cold chain, traceability, and market issues. The training was for the Advanced Specialized Course in Sustainable Development of Coastal Communities, organized by CIHEAM Bari. The course aimed to strengthen stakeholders' capacities to develop and implement integrated management policies, strategies, and tools, related to the Blue Economy.
World Shrimp Conference and Exposition (Shrimp 2019)	Hybrid Bangkok, Thailand	November 2019	The theme of this year's annual conference was "Modelling for Sustainability". It discussed global shrimp production and trade, current issues and challenges, market access, quality assurance, market and product diversification, technology, and certification. FAO presented the overall trends associated with fisheries and aquaculture production, with a particular emphasis on shrimp.
Workshop on Blue Growth Impact –Perception from stakeholders	Vigo, Spain	November 2019	The Blue Growth Workshop was the first of several workshops to understand the real impact of the Blue Economy approach to sustainable development.

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International Cold-water Prawn Forum (ICWPF)	Saint John's, Canada	November 2019	The ICWPF is a non-profit organization officially established in April 2013 to promote opportunities in and benefits of cold-water prawns by offering a variety of networking and information sharing possibilities for stakeholders in the sector. FAO provided a high-level overview of the global seafood market, identifying the core trends and issues expected to drive development in the coming years.
Opportunities and Challenges on Marine Food Security in the North-Western Pacific Ocean	Busan, Korea	November 2019	Event organized by the Korean Academy of Science and Technology (KAST) with a regional focus on marine food security and nutrition in the Northwestern Pacific (FAO Area 61). FAO presented the overall trends affecting fisheries and aquaculture production and trade, with particular emphasis on developments in the region.
The Marine Ingredients Organization's (IFFO) 59th Annual Conference	Shanghai, China	November 2019	The IFFO is an international trade organization that represents and promotes the marine ingredients industry, including fishmeal, fish oil and other related industries. The 59th IFFO Annual Conference was held in Shanghai to interact with the industry players. FAO participated in the event and presented major global trends in the fisheries and aquaculture sector, sharing recent data and information from a global perspective.
Human Rights in the Salmon Industry	Bergen, Norway	December 2019	The Rafto Foundation, the Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR) and the Institute for Human Rights and Business (IHRB) organized a series of events on salmon farming and human rights. This first roundtable aimed to discuss the state of play on responsible business conduct and sharing of good practices and initiatives in the industry. FAO presented recent work developed involving social responsibility in fisheries and aquaculture value chains.
North Atlantic Seafood Forum (NASF)	Bergen, Norway	March 2020	FAO has participated in the opening session of NASF for many years, providing a global perspective of fisheries and aquaculture production, trade and other recent trends. The event is traditionally held in Bergen, Norway, with attendance by major international players in the fish sector. NASF has consistently been recognized as an important event in the sector, not only in terms of the number of participants, but also the quality and scope of the topics covered.
Virtual Dialogues on the Path to the 34th Session of the FAO Committee on Fisheries	Virtual	July 2020	As the 34th Session of COFI was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, FAO hosted a series of virtual dialogues examining fisheries and aquaculture governance and development.

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The Vigo Dialogue on social responsibility in the fisheries and aquaculture value chains – addressing current problems triggered by COVID-19	Virtual	September 2020	The 2020 Vigo Dialogue raised awareness of the situation faced by fish workers and the industry as a result of the pandemic. It examined gaps and critical elements supporting the ongoing activities associated with FAO’s mandate on social responsibility. The Dialogue also allowed FAO to continue its collaboration with relevant stakeholders by providing a clear outline of the major challenges on social issues in fisheries and aquaculture value chains.
Blue Ports Workshop – towards sustainability	Virtual	October 2020	The workshop had among its main objectives the exchange of best practices on the Blue Economy and fishing ports, focusing on the social dimension, particularly its associated benefits.
International Webinar of the Impacts of COVID-19 on Fish Trade - GLOBEFISH	Virtual	October 2020	This webinar provided an overview of how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted international trade in fisheries and aquaculture products with perspectives from different regions.
2 nd Summit Latinoamericano por la Sustentabilidad Pesquera y Acuicola	Virtual	October 2020	The Consejo Mexicano de Promoción de los Productos Pesqueros y Acuícolas (COMEPESCA) organized for the second time the Latin American Summit for Fisheries and Aquaculture Sustainability, with more than 40 sessions. Participants were from the whole industry, including small-scale fishers, industrial fisheries, aquaculture farmers, aquaculture feed producers, governments, international organizations for fisheries management, supermarkets, distributors, hotels, restaurants and civil organizations.
International Training on Trade in Fisheries and Aquaculture FAO GLOBEFISH, WTO, and Shanghai Ocean University	Virtual	October 2020	Training sessions to provide participants with cutting-edge knowledge of the international framework affecting fisheries and aquaculture, in addition to production and trade elements.
Seafood Asia Reconnect	Virtual	November 2020	Seafood Expo Asia Reconnect, a digital solution to connect seafood industry professionals in Asia and suppliers worldwide, invited FAO to deliver an education-oriented session about global fish trade and the impacts of COVID-19. FAO GLOBEFISH organized a specific session entitled “International Fish Trade – Today, Tomorrow and Asian Markets”.

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International Fish Congress (IFC) and Fish Expo Brazil	Virtual	December 2020	The event is a yearly regional event to discuss fisheries and aquaculture practices, trends, solutions, and innovations with global experts, encompassing the entirety of the fisheries and aquaculture value chain. FAO participated in the opening ceremony, delivering a presentation covering market trends of fisheries and aquaculture products, with a particular emphasis on the region.
Understanding the Link Between Gender and Food Loss in the Fish Value Chain in Africa	Virtual	December 2020	Experts from FAO met with representatives from the African Women Fish Processors and Traders Network (AWFISHNET), the African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD) and WorldFish for a virtual dialogue on further understanding the link between food loss and gender equality in African fisheries value chains, which addressed both Chapters 7 and 8 of the SSF Guidelines.
International Webinar of FAO Fish Price Index	Virtual	December 2020	Yearly webinar to identify price evolutions. FAO initiated work on the Fish Price Index in cooperation with Norwegian institutions in 2007. The FPI is regularly published in GLOBEFISH publications, the FAO Food Outlook and FAO SOFIA.
Internacionalización y Desarrollo Sostenible (ICEX)	Virtual	February 2021	ICEX Spain Export and Investments, together with the Institute for Sustainable Business Growth (ICSEM), organized a series of conferences, “Internationalization and sustainable development, a sectoral approach”. The first of the six sectoral conferences tackled sustainability in the fishing and aquaculture sector. FAO gave a presentation on the general framework on sustainable fisheries and aquaculture, this included fish trading patterns, fish production, among other-related topics.
Global Market and Value Chain Analysis for Yellowfin Tuna from the Islamic Republic of Iran	Virtual	February 2021	Completing the project’s first phase: “Development of Tuna Fishery Value Chain in Iran”, where Iranian representatives from the government, fishers, export processors, importers, domestic tuna canners, among other, participated.
FAO and Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC)	Virtual	March 2021	This webinar session, co-organized by FAO, looked at stock assessment, its value, and its interlinks with other areas. There was also a session on the interlinkages between stock assessment and trade, with some examples involving trade agreements, SDGs, IUU, and WTO.

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Webinar – Impacts of COVID-19 on Fisheries and Aquaculture in Europe and Central Asia FAO	Virtual	March 2021	The webinar offered an opportunity for governments, civil society, and the private sector to share experiences in response to the COVID-19 crisis. Countries in Europe and Central Asia have experienced varying degrees of impacts from the COVID-19, based upon the various responses at the country and local levels. However, the industry impact of the pandemic has not been adequately registered.
Webinar on Subsidies and the Current Negotiations at the WTO Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC), FAO and UNCTAD	Virtual	March 2021	The webinar, co-organized by FAO, integrated an on-the-ground examination of the history and analysis of critical outstanding issues central to the discussions on fisheries subsidies. It also discussed multilateral trade, oceans, and fisheries governance frameworks and how these are integrated into the negotiations.
El sudoku de las certificaciones pesqueras OPAGAC	Virtual	April 2021	The seminar focused on the debate on expanding eco-labels for fish, informing on the standards certifying companies have been using.
Seminar – Aquaculture as a Successful Business: Investment Potential of Fish Farming in 2021 AquaPro Expo	Virtual	April 2021	The seminar took place within the International Exhibition of Equipment and Technologies for the extraction, breeding, and processing of fish and seafood in Moscow. The FAO presentation focused on global trade, production and trends, emphasizing aquaculture.
The Blue Forum – Working Group Meeting FAO	Virtual	April 2021	A small group of organizations participated in the Blue Forum Working Group Meeting in order to get inputs and feedback about the new initiative the “Blue Forum”. The Blue Forum is a hub to engage public and private stakeholders involved in fisheries and aquaculture activities to address sustainability challenges. A consultative process is underway to identify critical areas.
European Maritime Day European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)	Virtual	April 2021	The European Maritime Day 2021 was co-organized with the City of Den Helder, the Province of Noord-Holland and the Ministerie van Infrastructuur en Waterstaat. FAO gave a presentation addressing the central fisheries and aquaculture trends and the impacts of the pandemic.

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INFOFISH Tuna 2021, Virtual Conference and Exhibition	Virtual	May 2021	This annual conference is organized by INFOFISH and is one of the most important tuna events in the world. FAO was present giving presentations and running a FAO GLOBEFISH booth.
Workshop – Blue Ports Initiative, Stepping Forward	Virtual	June 2021	The third workshop on the Blue Ports Initiative had an objective to expand its formulation and implementation.
Informal Regional Consultations on Social Responsibility in the Fisheries and Aquaculture Value Chain	Virtual	June/August 2021	FAO organized a series of informal regional consultations worldwide with Members to present and discuss the ongoing development of the FAO Guidance on Social Responsibility in Fisheries and Aquaculture Value Chains. In June and August 2021, FAO organized eight informal consultations by regions worldwide. With the participation of 66 countries, 148 experts and representatives, who were pointed out by each Member, and the involvement of the International Labour Organization (ILO), International MO, and UNCTAD.
Asia Regional Workshop on SDG 14.b and its Associated Indicator 14.b.1	Virtual	July 2021	In response to the request from Member countries of the Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC) to support national-level efforts to achieve and report on Sustainable Development Goal Target 14.b, the FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific in collaboration with INFOFISH is convening a virtual workshop on SDG 14.b and its associated indicator 14.b.1. The workshop was attended by approximately 60 participants from South and Southeast Asia, invited panelists, and FAO officers from Bangkok and Rome
Aqua Nor 2021	Hybrid Norway	August 2021	Aqua Nor has been held every other year since 1979 in Trondheim, Norway. It is now the largest aquaculture technology show in the world. The first hybrid exhibition was organized by Nor-Fishing Foundation, which FAO attended, also participating in the opening ceremony.
The WTO Public Forum 2021 – Fisheries and Aquaculture Production and Trade: a Multi-stakeholder Call for Sustainable Growth, Based on Predictable Multilateral Rules and Intrinsic Resilience	Virtual	September 2021	FAO organized a working session during the WTO Public Forum “Trade beyond COVID-19 Building Resilience”. This working Session discussed fisheries and aquaculture production and trade from three angles: enhancing resilience beyond COVID-19, strengthening the multilateral trading system and concrete examples of collective action towards sustainable trade. It showed how assessing innovation and alternatives in the complex fisheries and aquaculture value chains created business opportunities, even at the most critical periods of the pandemic.

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Sustainable and Resilient Fisheries and Aquaculture under WTO			
Global Fishery Forum and Seafood Expo 2021 Federal Agency for Fishery, Russian Federation	Hybrid Russian Federation	September 2021	The Global Fishery Forum and Seafood Expo is a key industry event. The event addresses global fish market trends, the policy of the Russian Federation, industry expansion, economic, scientific and technical cooperation. FAO gave presentations and participated in roundtables.
GLOBEFISH Event on Fisheries Access Arrangements	Virtual	October 2021	The webinar presented a map of the significant arrangements for accessing marine capture fisheries, focusing on the waters of developing countries. The focus was exclusively on “foreign” industrial-scale activities, including when a vessel is locally flagged and registered, but the beneficial owner is not of that country.
FAO-CONXEMAR International Congress on Nutrition and Health	Vigo, Spain	November 2021	FAO and CONXEMAR co-organized the International Congress on Nutrition and Health. The Congress was very well attended by professionals of the sector. It covered micronutrients, their changes in fish products through the value chain, the importance of a food system approach for healthy diets, the role of fish in them, and small-scale fisheries, diet, and economic equity.
Seafood e Connect 2021 – International trade in the fisheries and aquaculture sector	Virtual	November 2021	An international virtual event focused on solutions for challenges of changing times for international seafood professionals. FAO participated by giving a presentation about international trade in the fisheries and aquaculture sector.
Blue Forum workshop	Virtual	November 2021	The workshop focused on creating a Blue Forum to exchange information, identify solutions, and address the main challenges that affect the sustainability of the fisheries and aquaculture sector. The workshop had 25 representative entities from the fishing and aquaculture industry at a regional and global scale.
International Webinar of the impacts of COVID-19 on fish trade in East Asia FAO GLOBEFISH	Virtual	November 2021	Webinar to explore some of the solutions, opportunities, and best practices identified by China, Japan, and the Republic of Korea in mitigating the negative impacts of the pandemic. The Webinar provided a unique discussion panel in assessing the changes and trends of fisheries and aquaculture value chains framed by these new measures and the pandemic itself.

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Fisheries Transparency Initiative (FiTI)	Virtual	Periodic meetings	FAO continues to participate, as an observer, in the International Board of FiTI, a global framework setting precise requirements on expectations for countries regarding transparency in marine fisheries. In the last years, FiTI has published transparency reports on two countries.