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Zoom Webinar

Unlocking the potential of fisheries and aquaculture value chains in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific

A virtual tour by FISH4ACP

16 July 2020 – 16:00-17:30 (CEST)

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The Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS), the European Union (EU) and FAO have launched a EUR 40 million, five-year programme to boost sustainable fisheries and aquaculture in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific.

This innovative programme, called FISH4ACP, will invest in value chains to stimulate inclusive growth, bolster food security and reduce their ecological footprint.

FISH4ACP will work with ten different value chains from ten African, Caribbean and Pacific countries, aiming to maximise economic returns and social benefits, while minimising the detrimental effects

on natural habitats and aquatic resources. It will pay special attention to small-scale fisheries and aquaculture due to their potential to deliver economic and social benefits, particularly for women and youth.

Set up as an online broadcast, this event will take you on a virtual tour highlighting FISH4ACP's unique features. First, its comprehensive value chain approach: FISH4ACP works with all players along the value chain, from net to plate. This allows FISH4ACP to tailor its activities to the needs of each value chain, and help explore new markets, manage fish stocks at sustainable levels, improve working conditions and reduce losses and waste.

Another feature that sets this initiative apart is the focus on all three aspects of sustainability - the economic, the environmental and the social. Together with FISH4ACP's diversity and depth, sustainability will be at the core of this event's **lively interviews and discussions**, during which broad perspectives will be combined with the local flavours of several value chains FISH4ACP will help to improve. The event will actively engage the audience in discussions on a host of issues related to sustainable value chain development, and more, such the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

AGENDA

Introduction		
16:00-16:10	Introduction	Moderator - Gilles Van de Walle , Chief Technical Advisor, FISH4ACP Project, FAO .
16:10-16:20	Opening remarks	<p>Ms Natallie Corrie Kordas, Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States - Officer in Charge of the Department of Environment and Climate Action.</p> <p>Mr Leonard MIZZI, European Commission - Head of Unit - Rural Development, Food Security, Nutrition - Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development.</p>
16:20-16:30	Ice-breaker	Focus: who is in the room?
Unlocking value chains in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific		
16:30-17:00	Short radio style interviews with a variety of stakeholders supported by visuals of the various value chains	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The innovative FISH4ACP Value Chain method - Mr David Neven, Senior Program Advisor, Food Systems Programme (SP4), FAO. • The Nigerian Catfish Value Chain – characteristics & challenges – Ms Yahya Olubunmi Adedayo, B-Spice fish farm. • The Seabob Shrimp in Guyana – Ms Subrina Haricharan , Senior Quality Control Manager, Pritipaul Singh Investment. • The Dominican Republic Mahi Mahi artisanal fishery – José del Jesús Tejeda Dumé, Artisanal fisher, Asociación de Pescadores Virgen del Carmen. 	
17:00-17:20	Panel discussion: Questions & answers with the audience	
Conclusions		
17:20 – 17:30	Closing remarks/wrap-up	Ms Maria Helena Semedo , Deputy Director-General, Climate and Natural Resources, FAO .

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