

The CCCFP means more benefits for fishers:

- Better fishing opportunities will translate into higher income for fishers;
- More opportunities for fisheries businesses to grow regionally, because new products will be introduced;
- More marketing opportunities and market access for fish, both in CARICOM and on the global market;
- Greater say by fishers, who will participate more in fisheries planning, decision-making and management;
- Illegal fishing activities will be combated in favour of licensed fisherfolk;
- Harmonisation of laws and regulations will lead to equal opportunities and level playing field for fishers.

"...the improved regulations and enforcement provided by the CCCFP will better protect fisherfolk livelihoods that are put at risk by illegal fishing.

"Caribbean citizens can share in the social and economic improvements in the welfare of fishers through employment and income generation, strengthened food and nutrition security, and research in support of marketing, trade and aquaculture."

-- Milton Haughton,
CRFM Executive Director

Fishers and all other stakeholders need to work together for the effective implementation of the Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy!

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The Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy is Your Fisheries Policy

Celebrating Caribbean Fisherfolk Day



The Future of Caribbean Fisheries is in the Hand of Fishers!



The Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy (CCCFP) uses a PARTICIPATORY APPROACH:

considering the rights and special needs of traditional, subsistence, artisanal and small-scale fishers!

Our Vision

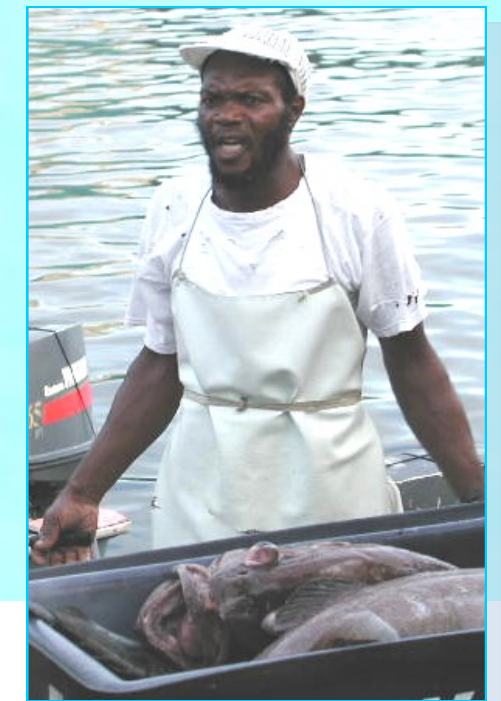
Securing maximum benefits for fishers!

Effective cooperation and collaboration in the conservation, management and sustainable utilisation of the fisheries resources and related ecosystems in the Caribbean region, in order to secure maximum benefits from those resources for the Caribbean peoples and for the region as a whole.



Advancing Fisheries Development

- ◇ Protecting and promoting the rights of fishers;
- ◇ Promoting involvement of fishers;
- ◇ Enabling fisheries business to grow;
- ◇ Promoting and facilitating joint ventures;
- ◇ Promoting greater access to training;
- ◇ Supporting meaningful capital investment.



Promoting a sustainable fishing industry

Our Goals

Fishers will become more active players!

The Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy has been designed to ensure:

- ◇ That fisheries resources and related ecosystems are properly conserved, managed, utilised and developed for the long-term benefit of present and future fishers.
- ◇ That the skills of Caribbean fishers are strengthened, and that more social and economic benefits are harnessed for fishers;
- ◇ That fishers are able to sell their produce under more stable market conditions, while being active players in a competitive trading environment.

OUR MAIN OBJECTIVES

-  The fishing and aquaculture industries will be developed more sustainably by:
 - ◇ Increasing what fishers earn from trade and export;
 - ◇ Securing our supply of nutritious fisheries produce;
 - ◇ Ensuring that Caribbean markets are adequately supplied;
 - ◇ Improving opportunities for earning money and finding jobs.
-  The welfare and livelihoods of fishers and fishing communities will be improved;
-  Illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing activities will be more effectively tackled;
-  The fisheries sector will be transformed into a more market-oriented, internationally competitive, and environmentally sustainable one;
-  Fisheries legislation will be strengthened, upgraded and modernised across the region;
-  Measures and procedures for sustainable fisheries management, fish handling, fisheries research and trade, will be harmonised.

The CRFM and the FAO promote the use of an Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (EAF) in the implementation of the Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy.

