GEF OFMP II Project
Design Workshop

Fisheries Management Division – Component 1, sub-components 1.1 & 1.3

Legal Services – Component 1, sub-components 1.2
Overview

- Status of SIDS participation in WCPFC
- Shifting Challenges for SIDS in regional and national management
- Candidate Responses and Vehicles
Active drivers of WCPFC development to date – rapid transition to functional Commission with established secretariat and programmes.

Primary proponents of major management measures – MCS, administrative/operational, target and bycatch species.

Encouraging development of process to monitor implementation and respond to “non-compliance”

At the same time – SPRFMO development
Current/recent focus has been on:
- setting up the Commission
- building capacity to engage at the appropriate level
- establishing and enforcing “ground rules” for WCPFC-SIDS relationship
- designing and defending CMMs

Without decreasing these activities, focus is now required on *implementation* and *coordination* of WCPFC measures/activities and national priority issues.
Shifting focus under OFMP II, matched by re-aligned priorities and services in FFA Annual Work Plan and Budget.

Increased focus on national level work:

- Foster broad in-country understanding of CMM obligations
- Enhance understanding of options for implementation, and alternatives
- Work within national administrations to meet WCPFC requirements in a way that fulfils national priorities and aspirations
Increased emphasis on Smaller SIDS in recognition of greater burden for participation and implementation.
National level workshops on WCPFC and individual priority issues

Sub-regional/regional workshops on specific issues where broader focus is beneficial.

Greater opportunity for national representatives to undertake policy attachments (particularly from smaller SIDS)

Dedicated avenue for advice for smaller SIDS (new position).

Consistent with broader activities to be undertaken by FMD.
Increased focus on national level work and assistance to smaller SIDS – in addition to the National level workshops on WCPFC and individual priority issues

Strengthen legal frameworks to reflect obligations including WCPFC CMMs and national development aspirations and priorities

Sub-regional/regional workshops on specific issues where broader focus is beneficial

Legal attachments (particularly from smaller SIDS)

Legal aspects of climate change
Questions/Discussion