

PEUMP Mid-Term Evaluation, 2022

Solomon Islands



PEUMP

Pacific-European Union Marine Partnership Programme

This Factsheet highlights some of the Key Result Area (KRA) achievements of the **Pacific-European Union Marine Partnership (PEUMP)** Programme in the Solomon Islands. The PEUMP programme provides its assistance across 15 Pacific Island Countries to promote sustainable fisheries management and sound ocean governance. This is done through a holistic and multi-sectoral approach that contributes to the **social, economic** and **environmental** development of the Pacific. The KRA's are achieved through eight PEUMP partner organisations, each contributing to the implementation of the programme objectives.



KRA 0

PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT UNIT



Developed draft treaty text for the Maritime boundaries team and facilitated the completion of calculations of median lines for Fiji and Solomon Islands.



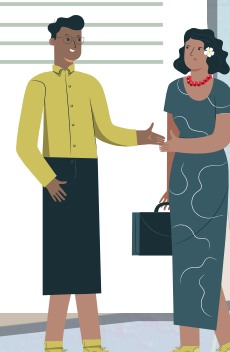
Datasets developed and provided to Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) to help fisheries monitoring, control and surveillance activities

20th PACIFIC MARITIME BOUNDARY TRAINING.

Focused on maritime boundary and Extended Continental Shelf (ECS) work.



FACILITATED SIGNING OF FIJI & SOLOMON ISLANDS MARITIME BOUNDARY AGREEMENT



KRA 1

OCEANIC FISHERIES



50% - 75% Achievement Level



- **TUNA BYCATCH ANALYSED** at regional and national level
- **RESEARCH CONDUCTED** to address biological uncertainties in tuna stock assessment models
- **CAPACITY DEVELOPED OF PACIFIC ISLAND FISHERIES** Professionals for bycatch analyses and purse seine fishery sustainability achieved through long term and short term attachments with the SPC
- **INFORMATIVE INDICATORS DEVELOPED** for monitoring ecosystems and climatic trends across the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPO)

KRA 2

SUSTAINABLE TUNA FISHERIES



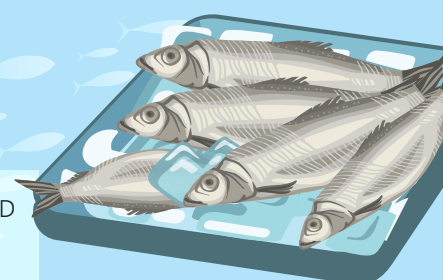
25% - 50% Achievement Level



Provided assistance to Solomon Islands with the development of the Anchored Fish Aggregating Device (a-FAD) Management Plan and Fisheries Policy.



PREPARATIONS COMPLETED FOR THE FIRST FFA-LED REGIONAL DIALOGUE ON MATTERS RELATING TO GENDER EQUALITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION, AND HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED APPROACHES IN TUNA FISHERIES. DIALOGUE TO BE HELD IN THE NEXT YEAR.



By the end of the fourth year of the programme, Solomon Islands retained their access to EU markets for fish and fisheries product exports.

KRA 3 COASTAL FISHERIES



50% - 75%
Achievement
Level



Launched Project **100%** Solution by the Locally Managed Marine Area (LMMA) Network in partnership with SPC to bring decades of learning from community-based marine management efforts to scale in Solomon Islands.

Developed tools and systems to combat IUU fishing activities in coastal waters

Provided support and training in the Geographic Information System (GIS) to the Solomon Islands Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources in preparation for the fishery-independent sea cucumber survey in Ontong Java.

Provided support on the Community-based Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (CEAFM) to the WorldFish Center targeting Malaita province.

Helped build capacity on Gender, Social Inclusion and Human Rights through training and workshops.



PROVIDED FISHERIES STAFF TRAINING ON APPLICATION OF E-DATA SYSTEMS ON FISHERY-DEPENDENT MARKET SURVEYS. TRAINING INCLUDED SURVEY DESIGN, METHOD OPTIMISATION, REVIEW OF CURRENT CREEL AND MARKET SURVEY DESIGNS, DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT USING THE IKASAVEA APPLICATION AND WEB-BASED DATABASES.

KRA 4

ILLEGAL, UNREPORTED AND UNREGULATED (IUU) FISHING IN OCEANIC FISHERIES



25% - 50%
Achievement
Level



- Designed the **"Noro e-port system"** electronic information system to auto execute background checks to verify volumes of fish from national fishing trips using digitised data.



Supported international outreach and advocacy on IUU and control of high seas fisheries

Procured and distributed Job Aid Tools for MCS Boarding and Inspection Officers.

Supported a collaborative effort initiated by FFA, PEUMP, SPC and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to collect eMonitoring data and test various technologies on board fish carrier vessels.

KRA 5

SUSTAINABLE UTILISATION OF COASTAL AND MARINE BIODIVERSITY



50% - 75%
Achievement
Level



Supported the development of the Solomon Islands National Ocean Policy (SINOP). Ocean-wide management in the Solomon Islands and marine spatial planning (MSP) is a key component of the policy.

Assisted Solomon Islands towards adopting a Marine Spatial Plan (MSP) and developing a map.

Mitigation initiatives for species of special interest developed and rolled out with the support of the programme

KRA 6 CAPACITY BUILDING



50% - 75%
Achievement
Level



- HELPED PROVIDE MICRO-QUALIFICATION IN ESTABLISHING AND OPERATING A SMALL SEAFOOD BUSINESS to 41 Pacific Islanders in the region including Solomon Islands.
- Trained 318 Pacific island professionals from 10 Pacific Island countries - including Solomon Islands - as part of **UP-SKILLING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES OF THE PROGRAMME.**



MORE LOCAL BUSINESS



IMPROVED ACCESS TO FISHERIES AND MARINE EDUCATION



ENHANCED MARINE RESEARCH COLLABORATION



INCREASED ACCESS FOR WOMEN TO SENIOR FISHERIES AND MARINE SECTOR POSITIONS

Due to the COVID-19 crisis and its effects on the project's ability to complete all of the planned activities and use all of the budgeted monies, PEUMP has been extended for two more years.