

Anchored FADs fishing sustainable development Working Group & MAGDELESA Project Objectives and Challenges

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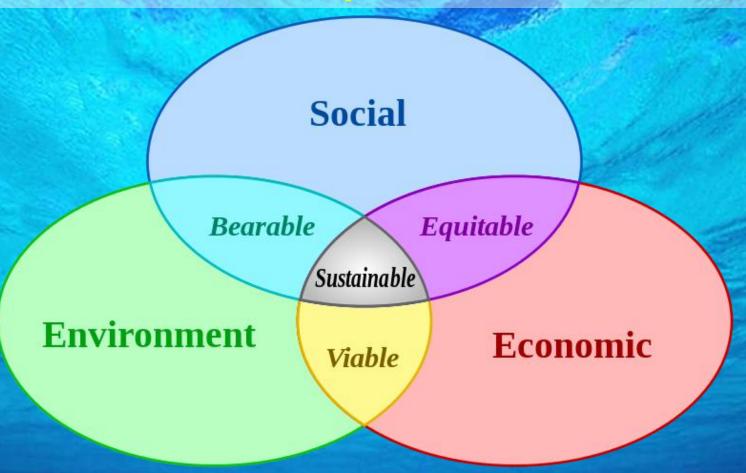
Anchored FADs sustainable development Why?

- Landings represent 30 to 75 % of the total catches
- Socially and economically important for a lot of countries (food for their population, unemployment, low income)
- Emergent activity in the region: need to act before the establishment of a tradition
- Only Small scale fishing that do not generate revenues to support research and management organization
- Impact on the resources is potentially not negligible (blue marlin, black fin tuna, dolphin fish, ...)

Anchored FADs sustainable development Why a working Group?

- Means allocated to fisheries are not in relation to their need but limited by availability
- Resources exploited around FADs are trans-boundary, highly migratory, shared fishes
- Anchored FADs fishing is developing rapidly
- It was imperative that a speedy solution be found to:
 - <u>Develop and federate the means</u> needed to give the frame favourable to the sustainability of this emergent fishery
 - <u>Facilitate exchanges</u> of data, knowledge and experience between countries

Anchored FADs sustainable development What question?



Sustainable Development applied to Anchored FADs Fishing

Anchored FADs sustainable development What are the objectives?

Costal resources

Fishermen boats and gears

High sea pelagic fishes

consumers

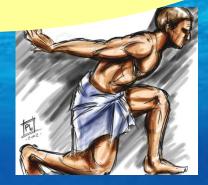
FADs

Managers

Large Pelagic Ecosystem

(Statistics, Research, Funds and Support in kind, Rules, Education, Working Group welcome, etc.)

Anchored FADs Fishing
Sustainable Development Working Group



WECAFC + JICA + CRFM + Ifremer + (Who else?)

Anchored FADs sustainable development What are the Challenges?

- Mobilize people to bring a better knowledge and experiences on this important evens in the Caribbean fisheries (Fisheries administrations of the Caribbean, IMP, Impact Mer, Miami University, PARM, PLK Marine, UBO, ...)
- Bring the information to the managers and to the final beneficiaries: the fishermen, that means:
 - Gather the information and put it at everybody disposal (Internet site)
 - Prepare the information for the fishermen "mediation tools" (Audio Power Points, ...)
 - Incite people in charge of FADs Fishing Sustainable development to organize meetings and discussions on the field with fishermen

