DEVCO & Fisheries and aquaculture

Approach since 2014:

• Promoting regional approaches (Pacific, African Union, Western Africa, Indian Ocean)
• Supporting initiatives at national levels (Myanmar, Cambodia, Liberia, Uganda, etc.)
• Developing knowledge and technical expertise (studies, VCAs, expert network on aquaculture)
• Improving inter-service dialogue (MARE/RTD/SANTE/EEAS)

Leading to:

• Active portfolio of €390 million, 40 projects, 25% in aquaculture
• A SDG 14 approach, closely interlinked with many SDGs (2, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15)
Fisheries and aquaculture value chains

• The fishing sector is a source of nutritious and cheap food, as well as of social safety nets through (subsistence) revenues and jobs

• Fisheries and aquaculture identified by many EU Delegations in the ‘Jobs and Growth Compacts’ analyses

• Value chain development v/s equity and sustainability issues (fish stocks, pollution and plastics, acidification, etc.) accentuated by climate change
Fisheries and aquaculture value chains

• Many opportunities and risks (incl. reputational)
• Calling for:
  • Developing and using data, analyses and knowledge for action
  • Applying a 3-pillar sustainability approach (economic, social and environmental)
  • Fostering policy coherence for development (international agreements or conventions, and Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements)
• Informing policy dialogue & investment operations
• Understanding to what extent the value chain allows for inclusive growth and whether it is both socially and environmentally sustainable

- Camboida & Zambia (aquaculture) – completed
- Gambia and Mali (fisheries) – in progress
Unlocking the potential of sustainable fisheries and aquaculture in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific
Key Issues

- Fish trade for food security and economic development
- Fish for dietary diversity, and for employment and income
- Despite large potential, contribution to GDP less than 5%
- Low ACP exports of fisheries products and slow growth
- Missing opportunities:
  - quality, market access, product diversification, value adding (jobs)
- Low investment in the sector
- Realizing 2030 Agenda, especially SDG 14.7
• **Thematic**
  - Value chain productivity (public & private)
  - Policy and regulatory coherence
  - Market access and competitiveness

• **Beneficiaries**
  - Value chain actors
  - Public sector
  - Financial Institutions/investors
  - Regional Economic Commissions

• **Geographic**
  - 3 ACP areas; 6 regions & 78 countries
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| **Phases**    | Year 1: VCA and upgrading plan  
|               | Years 2-5: upgrade the VC |

Seed fund, knowledge sharing, capacity building, partnerships
FISH4ACP
Project Components

1. Upgrading plans for 10 value chains
2. Increase economic performance of MSMEs in fisheries and aquaculture value chains
3. More inclusive and socially sustainable value chains
4. Environmentally sustainable value chains
5. MSMEs with improved access to finance and investment
Component 1

Upgrading plans for 10 value chains

1. Value chain analyses (VCA)
2. Action plan and upgrading strategy development
1. Gathering and disseminating market and trade data and analyses
2. Introduction of improved technologies/processes
3. Improve awareness and capacity building to meet compliance requirements for food safety and quality, and to meet international standards
4. Business skills upgrading
Component 3

Social sustainability

1. Secure **access to resources** including tenure, where appropriate
2. Strengthening **fisher/farmer organizations** – focus on women and youth participation and empowerment
3. Improving **working conditions**
4. Potential **social services** – e.g. pension schemes
5. **Food security** and nutrition
1. Support for **sustainable management** – reduce overfishing
2. **Climate change** resilience
3. Improve **regulatory frameworks** and/or compliance
Component 5

Access to finance and investment

1. Enterprise **business planning**
2. Working with financial and investment institutions to **manage risk**
3. Seed funding
4. Incubators for R&D
Jan-Jun 2020
• VC mapping workshop
• Data collection & analysis
  ▪ Interviews of VC actors, service providers and government stakeholders

Oct 2019
Contribution Agreement signed

Jul-Aug 2019
• Regional workshops
• Potential list of VCs

Sept 2019
• Final VC Selection
• ACP Ministers’ meeting Samoa

Jan 2020
Project Starts

Jul-Dec 2020
• Value chain analysis – validation workshop
• Development of action and investment plan
• Vision and strategy – stakeholder workshop

2021-2024
Implementation of action plan
Thank you