



SMALL-SCALE FISHERS' FORUM

Marine pollution: impacts, interactions and solutions

29-30 October 2024
Monastir, Tunisia

Agenda

Objectives

The objective of this workshop is to understand the different dimensions of marine pollution and how to minimize impacts from a fisher's perspective by fostering awareness, discussing challenges and exploring solutions. Participants will address sources of pollution and impacts on livelihoods and the marine environment. Local case studies and other successful initiatives will provide practical examples. In addition, through group discussions and collaborative sessions, participants will develop action plans to contribute to reducing marine pollution and reflect on alternative livelihoods while promoting long-term sustainability of the sector.

TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER

1. 9.00-9.30 | Welcome and introduction to the SSF Forum

- Opening speech by Latifa Ben Achiba, Fisheries and Aquaculture District Manager

2. 9.30-10.00 | Interactive presentation: identifying the various sources (large-scale and small-scale fisheries, recreational fisheries, industries, aquaculture, tourism, etc.) and types of marine pollution (plastic, chemical, etc.) in the Mediterranean

3. 10.00-11.30 | Zoom in: discussing the impacts of marine pollution related to the SSF sector (environmental, socio-economic, etc.)

Coffee break

4. 12.00-13.00 | Case study: The local example of Notre Grand Bleu in addressing the impacts of marine litter with small-scale fishers

- Presentation by Notre Grand Bleu and INSTM and observations from fishers involved

Lunch break

5. **14.30-14.45 | Overview of GFCM work: efforts to mitigate marine pollution and engage small-scale fishers**
6. **14.45-15.45 | Exploring solutions: Mediterranean initiatives addressing marine pollution in the SSF sector**
 - Case studies from Greece, Italy, Morocco and Tunisia

Coffee break

7. **16.00-17.30 | Open discussion: Strategies for developing solutions supporting socio-economic resilience and environmental health while promoting alternative livelihoods**

20.00 | Diner at The Captain Marina Monastir restaurant

WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER

8. **7.00-14.00 | Field visit to the Kuriat Islands**
9. **14.30-14.45 | Outcomes of Day 1**
10. **14.45-17.30 | Group work: developing an action plan to minimize the impacts of marine pollution in your community**

Based on the previous discussions on good practices and mitigating strategies, participants will be divided into small groups to develop an action plan at local level with mitigating strategies in view of reducing marine pollution of the sector and its impacts. Each group will present their action plan.

Coffee break

11. **17.30-18.00 | Looking forward: closing discussion and conclusions**

20.00 | Diner at The Captain Marina Monastir restaurant