



SMALL-SCALE FISHERS' FORUM

Non-indigenous species: from health and safety to marketing opportunities

21-23 November 2023
Akyaka, Gökova Bay, Türkiye

Agenda

Objectives

The objective of this workshop is to build capacity of small-scale fishers that increasingly find non-indigenous species in their catches. In particular, the workshop will share experiences on in handling non-indigenous species (NIS) existing in different Mediterranean subregions, based on the first-hand experience of fishers in Gökova Bay, Türkiye and best practices from across the region. Furthermore, it will explore strategies for capitalizing on potential new market opportunities for these species.

TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 9.30–17.30 (CET)

1. Welcome and introduction to the SSF Forum
2. Improving knowledge on NIS: how fishers can engage with the GFCM NIS research programme to identify solutions and promote opportunities
 - Discussion with the participants
3. Socio-economic impact of NIS on small-scale fisheries
 - Sharing of experience from fishers
4. Case studies and best practices in handling NIS in the Mediterranean
 - Sharing of experience from fishers

WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 8.30–18.00 (CET)

5. Field trip to marine protected area

6. Market opportunities in the management of NIS

- Discussions and group work with the participants

THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER
9.00–11.00 (CET)

7. Closing discussions and presentation of conclusions