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Lessons Learned Regarding Capacity Building in ABNJ: Emphasis on RFMOs and Tuna Management

Some lessons on capacity building

Three years of experience in the Common Oceans ABNJ Tuna Project, building on many years of experiences

Capacity building is an enabler for better governance:

- Necessary, but not sufficient
- Empower actors to make better decisions by providing unbiased, accurate information.
- Facilitate knowledge sharing mechanisms
- Promote south-south cooperation

The challenge: how best to deliver?

Thinking outside the box: a technical example

Bringing technical issues to decision makers: harvest control rules and the implementation of the precautionary approach

- Requires partnership science-management , with continuing follow up
- Scientists are not always the best communicators
- Consistency in the message across audiences
- Online tools; videos and interactive animations

Compliance Support Missions: tailored to your needs

IOTC: Help promote better compliance in developing States

Lack of understanding of RFMO participation

Not fully prepared to effectively implement measures

CSM are tailored to the needs of each member State:

A four-day process, ending in a roadmap for specific actions

Knowledge sharing: the Common Oceans Tuna Project

- Use of **networking tools** to facilitate knowledge and experience sharing at a global level (Tuna Compliance Network).
- **Online courses** in multiple languages, supplemented by short workshops (six-week MCS certification course)
- Extensive **video training** in various languages and regionalized as needed .