

i-BULLETIN

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Project & Partners Events

1st October 2010. Mr KHALIFA Taoufik, Métouia Delegate visited fishermen dedicated to clam collection, which are being trained in traditional weaving by FAO-ArtFiMed.

Mr Khalifa Taoufik, accompanied by numerous dignitaries and representatives of national institutions, congratulated participants and the National Handicrafts Office (which oversees the training) for the work performed. He showed his satisfaction towards the activities implemented by the FAO-ArtFiMed on the benefit of women in her town. He also hoped that the FAO-ArtFiMed can continue its activities in Tunisia in order to benefit from these concrete supports, an even greater number of members of fishing communities throughout the governorate.

12-15 October 2010. Rabat, Morocco. The World Food Day 2010.

Under the title Unis contre la Faim ("Together against World Hungry"), a National Seminary was held on 12th October at l'Institut Agronomique et Vétérinaire Hassan II in Rabat. The World Food Day was also the main subject of a Ceremony organised by the National Commission on 15th October. This Ceremony took place in the Complexe Socio-Sportif de Bank Al Maghrib, Madinat Al Irfane, Rabat. The FAO-ArtFiMed Project was represented in this event.

18-22 October 2010. The ArtFiMed fishery officer visited Tunisia.

The expert made a visit to supervise and monitor the activities implemented by CopeMed II and ArtFiMed projects in Tunisia. He was first welcomed at the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries by Mr Director General of Fisheries and Aquaculture, to track activities made by the projects CopeMed II and ArtFiMed in Tunisia. Thereafter, he traveled to the Gulf of Gabes to visit and monitor ArtFiMed project activities at the site of Ghannouch and Akarit. On this occasion, he met with partners and beneficiaries of the Project. Everybody expressed their great satisfaction with the process and the activities implemented by the project and gave their support to ensure project success.

18-22 October 2010. Beekeeping training for fishermen of Dikky, Morocco.

The fishermen community of Dikky, in Morocco was trained in beekeeping from 18 to 22 October. This training organized and funded by the project ArtFiMed, will allow them to have an extra income to those generated by the fishery. To do this and to facilitate the development of this activity, the Project will organize technical guidance and will support fishermen to organize themselves. ArtFiMed thanks Mr C. Poirot and "Un toit pour les abeilles" for the assistance provided for the organization and the success of this training. <http://www.untitpourlesabeilles.fr/>

18-23 October 2010. Istanbul, Turkey. GFCM - SAC - Working Group on Stock Assessment on Demersal Species.

One of the objectives of the Sub-committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA) of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) of GFCM, was to progress in the enhancement of joint practical stock assessment: scientists from different Geographical Sub-Areas (GSAs) provided their data and share them with their colleagues, using a standard methodology and analyzing together the results and options for fisheries management.

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19 October 2010. ArtFiMed Project was rewarded during the International Day for Rural Women in Tunisia.

As part of celebrations of International Day for Rural Women, ArtFiMed Project was selected for the award of creating the Day. Thus, it was rewarded for his efforts in the development of rural women in its intervention areas. Mr Mokdad Missaoui, the Governor of Gabes, has long been interested in the Project activities that have been exposed in the stand by the National Consultant and Trainers. The Governor was accompanied by several personalities including Mr Lamine Rashid, General Secretary of the Coordinating Committee of the RCD of Gabes, Mr Med Jridi Utap, who presented the award to ArtFiMed, and the CRDA.

20-22 October 2010. Palma de Majorca, Spain. GFCM - SAC - Workshop on monitoring recreational fisheries in the GFCM area.

The workshop was a first step aimed at developing a monitoring framework for recreational fisheries comprising biological, economic, legal and social aspects of the sub-sectors and to facilitate the future work on establishment a long term monitoring programme to provide estimations of effort, participation, types fishing, catch amount, value.

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22 October 2010. Bouzedjar, Algeria. Progress in organizing an experimental survey using 40 mm square mesh in the codend of a trawl vessel in Algeria.

Considering the need to improve the trawl selectivity for a sustainable exploitation of Mediterranean fisheries, the GFCM adopted the Recommendation GFCM/33/2009/2 on a minimum 40-mm mesh size in the codend of demersal trawl nets by 31 January 2012. CopeMed II compromised with the GFCM to study the biological and socio-economic effects of such measure in the sub region.

The Coordinator of CopeMed II together with the consultant and expert in fishing technology Mr Jacques Sacchi, visited Algeria the 19-21 October with the aim of supporting the activities of CopeMed II in Algeria and particularly to organise an experimental selectivity survey with a local trawl fishing vessel using 40 mm square mesh in the codend, in cooperation with the CNRDPA. They visited the port of Bouzedjar (western coast of Algeria, near Oran) accompanied by the CNRDPA expert Mr M. Bouaicha and met with the owner and skipper of the boat in which the experiment will be carried out. They took measures of the different gear's component and they agreed the dates for the experience. The CNRDPA and CopeMed II will share the whole costs of the experience.

25-27 October 2010. Alexandria, Egypt. GFCM - SAC - Transversal Workshop on selectivity improvement, bycatch reduction and alternative gears.

The aims of this workshop were to follow up on the outcomes of the transversal GFCM Working Group on selectivity improvement and by-catch reduction (Tunis, 23-25 September 2009) and on the GFCM resolution on the implementation of the 40 mm mesh size GFCM/31/2007/3.

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9-10 November 2010. The Fourth ArtFiMed Coordination Meeting took place at INSTM HQ in Tunis (Tunisia).

The fourth ArtFiMed Internal Meeting took place in Salambo (Tunisia), at the INSTM offices further the director's invitation. The objective of this meeting was to examine the level of execution of the activities in development in each of the Project places (Ghannouch and Akarit in Tunisia, Dikky in Morocco), and to prepare the working plan for November 2010 - June 2011. The whole staff of ArtFiMed attended the meeting, Mr Mohamed Malouli Idrissi, NPP of the Project in Morocco, Mr Hamadi Elaiba, NPP of the project in Tunisia, and the staff of Malaga.

22 - 26 November 2010. Rome (Italy). Training course on Virtual Population Analysis organised by AdriaMed.

Following the numerous requests formulated on the need to have advanced training courses on stock assessment, AdriaMed found convenient to organize a one-week training course on Virtual Population Analysis (VPA) before the GFCM Sub Committee on Stock Assessment meeting (Malta, 29 November - 3 December 2010). The training took place from 22th to 26th November, and it was open to all the scientists of the Project area as well as scientists from other areas covered by the other FAO Mediterranean Regional Projects. Experts from Morocco and Algeria attended to it.

24 November 2010. Brussels, Belgium. Third meeting of the Working Group on Integrated Maritime Policy in the Mediterranean of the European Commission.

The Coordinator of CopeMed II represented the FAO in the Third meeting of the Working Group. Experts from the European Commission under the Presidency of Ms Monique PARIAT, new Director for Mediterranean and Black Sea, Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, and from the EU and non EU Mediterranean countries, international organisations and Agreements as GGFCM, CIEM, PNUE, international representatives of the Mediterranean regions, etc., were participating in this meeting. The participants discussed on the EU Maritime Policy, Maritime Spatial Planning, the launching of a Regional Technical Assistance Project under the EU Neighbourhood Policy for Southern Countries and the Marine Knowledge 2020 project of the EU.

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28 November 2010. Kerouan (Tunisia). Study visit to Kairouan for women collecting clams.

About 25 women from the community of clam collectors of El Amarat made a study visit in the city of Kerouan, the center of the Tunisian handicrafts.

The project ArtFiMed organized this visit as part of the training in embroidery craft provided inside the development of business diversification for income-generation program. Accompanied by the representative of the Office Nationale de l'Artisanat (ONA) of Kerouan, and the National responsible of the project ArtFiMed in Tunisia, participants were able to discover and interact with the artisans and traders in traditional embroidery.

29 Nov - 2 Dec 2010. GFCM SCMEI in Malta.

From the 29th November until the 2nd December, it took place the following GFCM sessions in Malta:
11th session of the Sub-Committee on Marine Environment and Ecosystems (SCMEI)
12th session of the Sub-Committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA)
11th session of the Sub-Committee on Economic and Social Sciences (SCSS)
11th session of the Sub-Committee on Statistics and Information (SCSI)

December 2010. Closing ceremony of the craft embroidery training for women collecting clams.

A training session in embroidery craft was given to 25 women from the fishing community of El Akarit (El Amarat) from 1st July to 30th November 2010. This training was part of the support for the development of diversification activities in order to improve the living standards of fishing communities under ArtFiMed project. This session was organized in close collaboration with the National government, including l'Office Nationale de l'Artisanat (ONA) which provided training and supervision of the session; the Regional Commissioner for Agricultural Development of Gabes (CRDA) who has a place available to provide this training; and the delegation of Métouia that spared no effort for the success of this session. At the end of this training, participants received their diplomas during a ceremony attended by:

- Mr MASMOUDI-Khadem: The regional delegate of the Office National de l'Artisanat (ONA)
- Mr JRAD Abderrahmen: Gabes Fisheries District
- Mr BEN-AMOR Salah: Responsible of the agriculture unit of Amarat
- Mr AMMARI Moktar: Director of Elementary School of El Amarat
- Ms HAJ ALI Fedoua: Representative of the Office National de l'Artisanat (ONA)

The project ArtFiMed thanks all institutions and participants who contributed to the success of this training which should provide women collecting clams the necessary grounding to develop a new alternative income generation to fishing activity.

6 December 2010. The FAO-FIRF MedLME project organised an EAF workshop in Rome.

Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAF) "strives to balance diverse societal objectives, by taking into account the knowledge and uncertainties about biotic, abiotic and human components of ecosystems and their interactions and applying an integrated approach to fisheries within ecologically meaningful boundaries. The purpose of an EAF is to plan, develop and manage fisheries in a manner that addresses the multiplicity of societal needs and desires, without jeopardizing the options for future generations to benefit from a full range of goods and services provided by marine ecosystems".

Mr Camiñas and Mr Barnardon from CopeMed II were participating in Rome (Italy) in this workshop on EAF. The WS was carried out by different responsables and professionals from FAO-FIRF. Experts from different countries participating in AdriaMed and CopeMed II were invited to the WS. FAO professionals from AdriaMed and MedSudMed completed the participation.

Researches & Publications

Download CopeMed II - ArtFiMed latest reports and external documents:

Spanish information about the red seabream (*Pagellus bogaraveo*) fishery in the Strait of Gibraltar Region. Gil, J. 2010.

Présentation ArtFiMed «La pêche artisanale à la Dorade rose *Pagellus bogaraveo* à Dikky (Maroc), dans la région du détroit de Gibraltar»

Biología y pesca del voraz [*Pagellus bogaraveo* (Brünich, 1768)] en el Estrecho de Gibraltar. Gil, J., 2006. Tesis Doctoral. Universidad de Cádiz. 286 pp.

The Projects in images



Formation apiculture pour les pêcheurs de Dikky, au Maroc



Progress in organizing an experimental survey using 40 mm square mesh in the codend of a trawl vessel in Algeria.



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News

01/12/2010 - [E-news](#) - Presentation of a research project on a new trawl bottom fishery that does not damage the seabed

English version - [Leer en español](#)
Spanish Institute of Oceanography

22/11/2010 - New FAO initiative aims to combat IUU fishing by improving transparency in the global fisheries sector
FAO Media Centre

22/11/2010 - Mediterranean Countries Resist Lower Quotas at Paris Fisheries Meeting
International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)

22/11/2010 - The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) starts the Mediterranean Forum in Malaga
English version - [Leer en español](#)
Spanish Ministry of Environment, Rural and Maritime Affairs

21/11/2010 - World Fisheries Day: Fisher-folk of the World unite
Al-Masry Al-Youm

17/11/2010 - Bluefin tuna: The 27 European countries agreed to argue in favour of a stable or partially reduced quota
English version - [Version en français](#)
Agence France-Presse

16/11/2010 - Several European projects that develop integrated models to simulate marine ecosystems are coordinated in Barcelona
English version - [Leer en español](#)
Spanish Institute of Oceanography

15/11/2010 - The Regulation and Organization Fund for the Fish and Marine Cultures Market (FROM) sponsors the User's Manual "FEDEPESCA Guide about responsible consume of fish"
English version - [Leer en español](#)
Spanish Ministry of Environment, Rural and Maritime Affairs

14/11/2010 - Morocco eager to liberalise trade of agricultural, fisheries products with EU
Global Arab Network

03/11/2010 - To recover the European Eel
English version - [Leer en español](#)
Industrias pesqueras

01/11/2010 - Francisco Moza will replace Elena Madrazo in the Direction of AECID
English version - [Leer en español](#)
EFE Agency

29/10/2010 - Ms Alicia Villauriz, the new Secretary General for Marine Affairs, Ministry of Environment, Agriculture and Marine Environment
English version - [Leer en español](#)
Industrias pesqueras

26/10/2010 - Morocco: profession divided in terms of pelagic
L'économiste

22/10/2010 - The Spanish Institute of Oceanography takes part of the fisheries resources evaluation of the Mediterranean Area and Black Sea
Pesca 2

22/10/2010 - An agreement between the Spanish Institute of Oceanography (IEO) and the Ministry of the Presidency of the Balearic Government was presented to improve the red lobster management. (*In Spanish*)
Spanish Institute of Oceanography

21/10/2010 - Reform of the Common Fisheries Policy: The conference, which will take place on 16 November, is open to participants from the fishing industry, administrations, scientists, researchers, NGOs and the press.
European Commission Fisheries

21/10/2010 - EuroOCEAN 2010 Conference calling for a stronger cooperation between science and Institutions in Marine Policy
Europa Press

20/10/2010 - The CFCA has adopted its multiannual work programme for 2011-2015 and the fifth annual work programme for 2011
World Fishing today

11/10/2010 - PLoS ONE: Marine Biodiversity and Biogeography - Regional Comparisons of Global Issues
PloS Collections

06/10/2010 - Deep-sea corals discovered in the Mediterranean Sea offshore of Israel
Ocean Portal by the Smithsonian Institution

01/10/2010 - European Scientist models the spatial and temporal variability of the distribution grounds of sardine from the Mediterranean Sea
IEO- Balearic Centre News

10/2010 - Implementation of management plan of the Small Pelagic: invitation to tender, Morocco. (*In French*)
Ministry of Agriculture and Maritime Fishing

Links

Reform on the Common Fisheries Policy for the EU
► Green paper on a reform of the Common Fisheries Policy
► Report on the results on the consultation

Ministerio del Medio Ambiente y Medio Rural y Marino de España
► [Oficial Notices](#) ► [Press room](#)

Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional para el Desarrollo (AECID)

Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional en Argelia (AECID)

Medisamak

RACs - Regional Advisory Councils (EU)

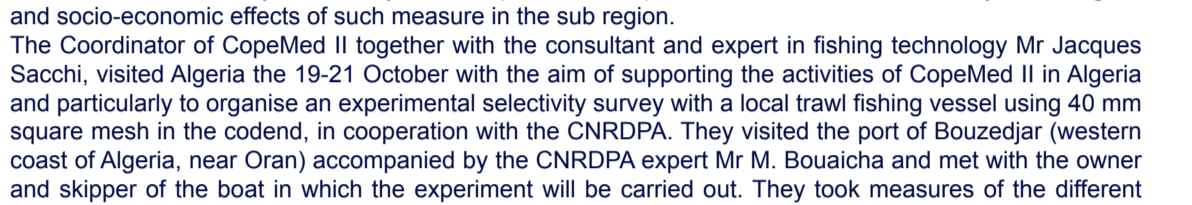
Ministère de l'Agriculture et de la Pêche Maritime du Maroc

Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Ressources Hydrauliques et de la Pêche en Tunisie
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IEO Press Publications (Spanish Institute of Oceanography)

IUCN - Alboran initiative

Other FAO Mediterranean Projects



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