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# StewardFish



**Developing organizational  
capacity for ecosystem  
stewardship and  
livelihoods in Caribbean  
small-scale fisheries**



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## StewardFish Empowering Caribbean fisherfolk

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StewardFish is focused on empowering fisherfolk throughout fisheries value chains to engage in resource management, decision-making processes and sustainable livelihoods, with strengthened institutional support at all levels in the Caribbean and North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystem (CLME+) region.

The project is guided by the principles of an ecosystem approach to fisheries (EAF), and seeks to promote women's empowerment through leadership and the importance of social protection for sustainable livelihoods.

StewardFish is contributing to the implementation of the CLME+ Strategic Action Programme (SAP)<sup>1</sup> and involves seven Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM) Member States.

<sup>1</sup> More information about CLME+ Strategic Action Programme at <https://www.clmeproject.org/sap-overview/>

## PROJECT COMPONENTS



### **Component 1: Developing organizational capacity for fisheries governance**

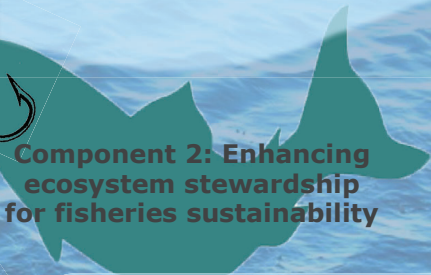
Through leadership training, gender mainstreaming, improved use of information and communication technologies and strengthening of institutional support; Component 1 will enhance collaboration among fisherfolk organizations and fisheries-related state agencies for sustainable fisheries management.

### **Component 3: Securing sustainable livelihoods for food and nutrition security**

Through value chain analysis and promotion of best practices, Component 3 will enhance the capacity of fisherfolk to utilize livelihood opportunities along the value chain, while promoting sustainable development for food and nutrition security.


## Challenges StewardFish will address:

1. Limited capacity of fisherfolk organizations to implement fisheries policies and plans.
2. Limited capacity of fisheries state agencies to support fishing industry institutions and stewardship.
3. Exclusion of fisherfolk in ecosystem stewardship practices for fisheries sustainability.
4. Limited benefits derived from the experience and best practices of past fisheries livelihood interventions.
5. Exclusion of fisherfolk in project monitoring & evaluation.



### Component 2: Enhancing ecosystem stewardship for fisheries sustainability

Using a participatory ecosystem approach to fisheries and promotion of stewardship; Component 2 will contribute to achieving healthier habitats and reducing pollution in the CLME+ region .



### Component 4: Project management, monitoring and evaluation, and communication

By promoting participatory monitoring and evaluation; Component 4 will encourage good governance, learning by doing and sharing of experiences among key stakeholders

## PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES



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