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THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN MEDITERRANEAN FISHERIES:

Strategic view and activities in the region

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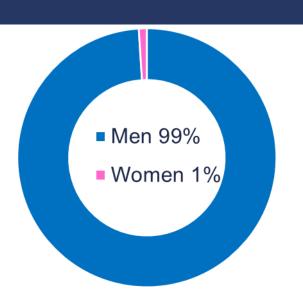


### ROLE OF WOMEN IN MEDITERRANEAN FISHERIES

Total employment (onboard vessels) in the Mediterranean

202 000 -> 2 200







**Excludes non-vessel-based** employment:

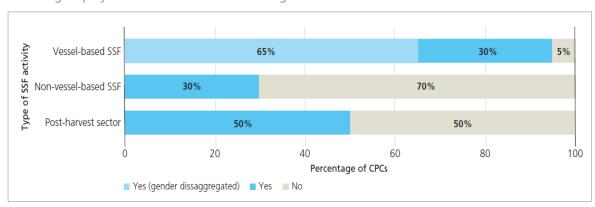
- ✓ Pre-/post-harvest
- ✓ Gleaners / shore-based fishing
- ✓ "Invisible" work of women in the household

2.5x onboard employment

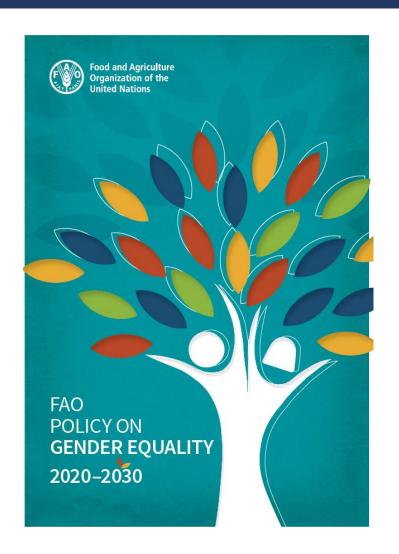
approx.

500 000

FIGURE 85. Percentage of GFCM contracting parties and cooperating non-contracting parties collecting employment data on small-scale fishing activities



# FAO'S STRATEGIC VIEW ON GENDER AND FISHERIES



#### Four key gender equality objectives:

- Equal entitlements, access to and control over productive assets and resources
- Equal access to support services (advisory, business development and financial), markets and decent employment opportunities
- Equal participation and leadership in relevant organizations and institutions
- Reduction of women's work burden

### GFCM 2030 STRATEGY:

### A STRATEGIC VISION FOR FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

#### ONE VISION, FIVE TARGETS

To fulfil its overarching vision for the sustainability of fisheries and aquaculture in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea, the GFCM 2030 Strategy is articulated around five targets. Each target is composed of expected outputs and strategic actions.











Fisheries and

ecosystems: healthy seas and productive fisheries TARGET 2.
Compliance

TARGET 3.
Aquaculture:

TARGET 4. Livelihoods:

#### **CROSS-CUTTING THEME:**

illuminating the role of women and promoting gender inclusivity

playing field to eradicate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing to its full potential fishers towards profitable fisheries Capacity
development:
Technical
cooperation,
knowledge

sharing and

partnerships in

a subregional perspective

efficient



#### **GFCM 2030 STRATEGY:**

#### ILLUMINATING THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

## TARGET 4.

#### LIVELIHOODS:

DECENT EMPLOYMENT AND ENGAGED FISHERS TOWARDS PROFITABLE FISHERIES



#### In particular...

Output 4.1 enhances sustainable livelihoods by fostering decent working conditions, including... productive employment opportunities for men and women in the fisheries sector

Output 4.2 strengthens the understanding of the socio-economic impact of fisheries... along the value chain... sheds light on the role of women in fisheries, including in gleaning activities as well as pre- and post-harvest activities.

While calling to fully and efficiently implement the GFCM Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries



#### **GFCM 2030 STRATEGY:**

#### IMPLEMENTING THE REGIONAL PLAN OF ACTION FOR SSF (RPOA-SSF)





Scientific research



SSF data collection



SSF management measures



Value chain enhancement



Participatory approach



Capacity building



Decent work and social protection



Strengthening the role of women



Climate & environment

#### Role of women

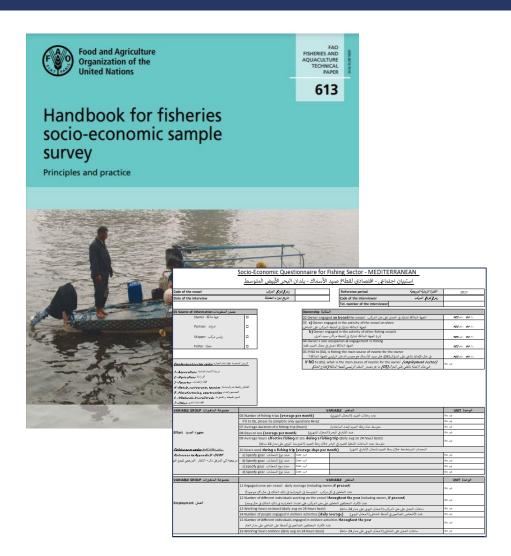
- Enable women to engage in SSF activities
- Secure equal participation in decision-making
- Technology appropriate to the work of women in SSF

http://www.fao.org/gfcm/activities/fisheries/small-scale-fisheries/rpoa-ssf

## FROM STRATEGY TO ACTION: ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

#### **Enhancing knowledge:**

- Socio-economic surveys with gender disaggregated data
- FAO Country Gender Assessments of the Agriculture and Rural Sector (including specific sections on Gender and Fisheries)



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#### **Awareness raising:**

- Panel on women at 2018 RPOA-SSF conference and award for best practice
- Advocacy for women's organizations (partnership with AKTEA)
- Dedicated SSF Forum workshop on women
- Establishment of an online Community of Practice on Gender and Food Systems to facilitate exchange of knowledge and good practices



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#### **Targeted projects:**

- Gender-sensitive approach for SSF and training of trainers (FAO Morocco)
- Technical and vocational training, services and equipment; creation or strengthening of cooperatives; development of micro-projects for market access and income generation (Tunisia)







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