

GROUP DISCUSSION: UPTAKE AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COFASP OUTPUTS

Objective: To identify concrete actions and initiatives that could favour the uptaking and further development of the main findings of the COFASP Strategic Agenda in the next 1-2 years.

- **WHO:** Who should take the responsibility to implement the main COFASP findings and activities and take them further?
- **HOW:** Which are the core actions/instruments to be used by the key stakeholders previously identified to effectively implement and capitalize the COFASP findings?

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WHO: Who should take the responsibility to implement the main COFASP findings and activities and take them further?

- Policy makers both regional, national and super-national
- International platforms such as SCARFish, EFARO, JPI Oceans, Marine Board
- EU Technology Platforms (e.g., EATIP, EFTP, GSSI)
- Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMO)
- FAO-GFCM in the Mediterranean and Black sea
- Clusters/districts for implementation at local level

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HOW: Which are the core actions/instruments to be used by the key stakeholders previously identified to effectively implement and capitalize the COFASP findings?

- Improved dialogue with the Commission, national authorities, etc.
- Cross-sectoral and cross-country collaboration based on a multidisciplinary approach through joint projects (e.g., COFUND), R&D and R&I investment programs
- Involvement of venture capital for business development
- Training and mobility actions through access to research infrastructures in the framework of the ESFRI and the COFUND
- Actions in cooperation with existing international initiatives such as BONUS, BLUEMED, PRIMA, ASEAN, AORA, LEAP-AGRI)
- Bilateral Agreements for International Cooperation
- Targeted dissemination of information with new types of media