GSA Fishery Worker Voice Project

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Why a Fisheries Worker Voice Project – what will it do?

- GSA is committed to ensuring that all crews on RFVS certified vessels will have safe access to a third party advice mechanism in the future what does that mean?
- Became clear that there was no agreement on what was expected what do we expect and what can be expected now?
- How do cultural and language issues impact on those expectations?

PART ONE

A global project to identify the different terms and phrases used under the genre of Worker Voice, as it relates to those working on fishing vessels

Examples of systems or projects under those definitions

Develop TOR for Part two

PART TWO

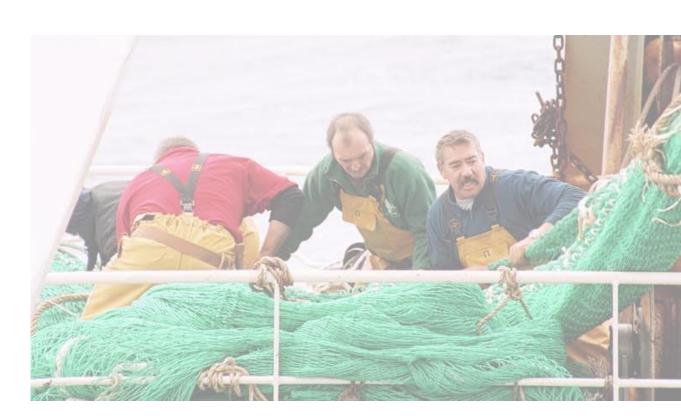
Build consensus as to what buyers, policy makers, standard holders et al can and should expect in terms of Worker Voice (and agreed terminology)

Deliver that consensus and note actions needed



Part One; Methodology and Timeline

- Key Traceability, led by lain Pollard, are carrying out the research and bringing together the white paper
- An inner circle Advisory Group has been formed; not withstanding the stakeholder mapping and global outreach taking place
- Global survey, intended to be culturally appropriate and multi lingual, July 2020, including global call for evidence
- First draft of paper September/October 2020
- Delivery of paper accompanied by webinars on findings
- TOR for Part Two, December 2020



Advisory Group

A smaller inner group with specific remit to provide expertise, contacts, experience, support outreach and receive first draft of the paper.

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Independent
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European Transport Workers' Federation
World Wise Foods
SeaBoss
ILO SEA Fisheries Project

One month in ... news so far

- Establishing an Advisory Group
- Initial interviews
- Stakeholder analysis, identification of consultees
- Literature and internet research
- Survey design
- Outreach planning and strategy target countries, regions



Education project – currently seeking funding

- Full suite of online, multi lingual, educational assets that will help organisations understand what is expected of vessel standards and help them prepare for certification, including a first level self assessment tool
- This could be provided by buyers to their supply chains, by the standard holders, certification bodies, regulators, fisheries associations et al
- Understanding and readiness will create a first level of improvement
- The suite can be quickly updated and built upon to include detailed areas, such as on Worker Voice





Thank You

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