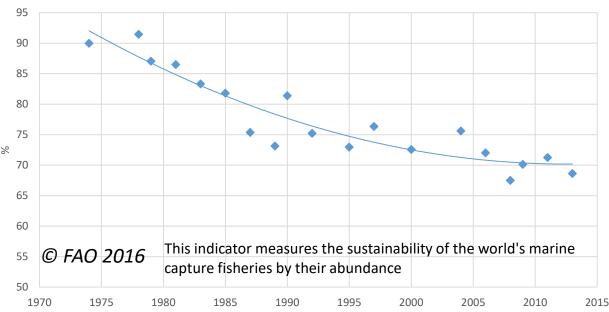


FAO's work areas on sustainable fisheries relevant to UN/CEFACT and FLUX

SDG 14.4.1 - Proportion of fish stocks within biologically sustainable levels



Combatting IUU:➢ Global Record

Responsible supply chain and trade:

traceability of fishery products

Supporting Policy making through trends monitoring:
 Global fishery Statistics and information

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29-30 January 2018, Salle IX, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland



The Global Record of fishing vessels, refrigerated transport vessels, and supply vessels

IUU fishing – a global challenge

Illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing poses a significant threat to the biological, social and economic sustainability of the fisheries sector

The Global Record is a tool developed through an FAO initiative to fight IUU fishing

- through increased transparency and traceability of the fleet and fish products
- as a <u>single access point</u> for relevant, certified and unequivocal information about vessels and vessel related activities provided by <u>States' authorities</u> on:
 - identification
 licenses
 - history
 compliance information



The Global Record – Users and Governance



FAO Committee on Fisheries (COFI) – general policy oversight

The Global Record Working Group (GRWG)

Global Record Informal Open-Ended Technical and Advisory Working Group1st meeting on February 20153rd meeting on June 20172nd meeting on March 20164th meeting on April 2018

- > Defined the structure, data requirements and reference list for the global system
- > These were drawn up from the main international instruments to fight IUU fishing

Specialized Core Working Groups (GRCGs) on:

- ✓ Data Requirements: based on other international instruments
- ✓ Data Exchange
- ✓ Third Party Data
- 1st meeting on Sept-Oct 2015





The Global Record and UN/CEFACT

From 2013 the Global Record team participated in the definition of the Vessel Domain UN-CEFACT Standard.

Other domains of interest are:

- Fishing Licence; Authorisation and Permit (FLAP) domain
- Vessels Inspection domain

FLUX-TL adopted as the automated transmission mechanism for the Global Record (2016, 2nd meeting of GRWG)

will connect GR with the EU, CLAV and several RFMOs vessel registries

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Traceability in supply chains and trade FAO's work areas

- Food safety and consumer health
 - with WHO, develop food standards and guidelines (Codex)
 - FAO holds the Codex Alimentarius Secretariat
- **Fisheries Ecolabelling and Certification**
 - FAO develops guidelines
 - In GSSI, FAO ensures that benchmark adheres to guidelines
- Prevention of IUU fishing; product authentication;
 - FAO guidelines for Catch Documentation Schemes (CDS)
- International trade CITES, WTO, fisheries subsidies and SPS
 - Traceability work with CITES on traceability of annex II listed species
 - Traceability work on food safety traceability and fraud

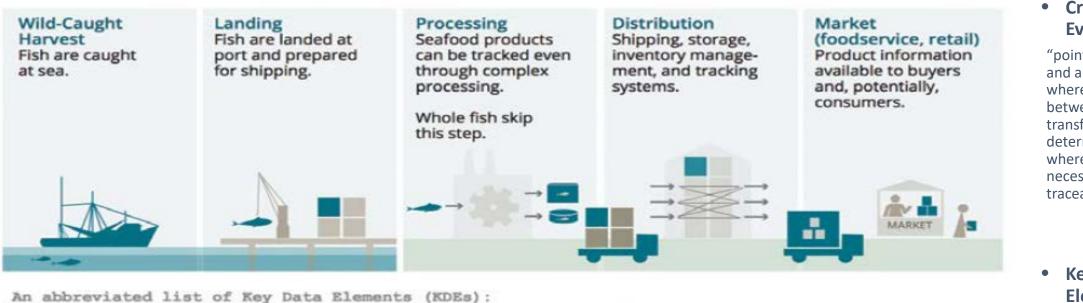




Traceability definitions in food industries

(internationally accepted)

- Codex "the ability to follow the movement of a food through specified stage(s) of production, Alimentarius processing and distribution". Commission
- "the ability to access any or all information relating to that which is under consideration, Olsen and **Borit**, 2013 throughout its entire life cycle, by means of recorded identifications"



- PRODUCTION DATA: -Product ID
- -Timestamp
- -Location

- LANDING DATA: -Product ID -Timestamp
 - -Location

PROCESSING DATA: Inputs/Outputs -Batch/Lot# -Quantity

-Shipping#

- DISTRIBUTION DATA: -Date, Time -Batch/Lot# -Quantity -Shipping#
- RETAIL DATA: -Date, Time -Batch/Lot# -Quantity -Received#

Critical Tracking Events (CTEs)

"points within a business and along the value chain where product is moved between premises or is transformed, or is determined to be a point where data capture is necessary to maintain traceability"

- Kev Data **Elements (KDEs)**
- "the data elements required to successfully trace a product and/or its ingredients through all relevant CTEs"



How to trace food products – and UN/CEFACT

The importance of the unit that is being traced

• The lot, traceable unit, batch unit......

The data linked to this traceable unit needs to stay with the unit along the whole chain; if not, the integrity of the system is lost

• Need a combination of human readable data (i.e. labelling), electronically encoded data, and standardised electronic exchange of information, provided across the supply chain.

Internal (within the company) vs external (along the supply chain) traceability

Information technology:

- GS1 standard, TRACES (EU Food safety), FLUX, UN/CEFACT
- Inter-operability issues

Global Fishery Statistics and Information

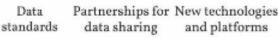
Supporting global policy making through trends monitoring

- 7 Global fishery statistical data sets
- **FIRMS**: information sharing partnership to facilitate monitoring of status and trends of stocks and fisheries

Promoting information standards and harmonization capacities to facilitate data and information exchange

- Coordinating Working Party on Fishery Statistics,
 - a standard setting body in the field of fishery statistical standards
- Promote use of common classifications, concepts and data structures

Provide global and regional data and information sharing platforms











Coordinating Working Party on Fishery Statistics

- functional since 1960, FAO serves as the secretariat
- provides a mechanism for the coordination of fishery statistical programs of 19 Members (Regional Fishery Bodies and other inter-governmental organizations)
- sets international standard concepts, classifications, data structures for the collection and collation of **fishery** and **aquaculture** statistics
- Promote and disseminate through the CWP Handbook of fisheries statistics
 - http://www.fao.org/cwp-on-fishery-statistics/handbook/en/

Examples of standards from Handbook of fishery statistics:

- ASFIS list of species: Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System
- **ISSCFG**: International Standard Statistical classifications for Fishing Gears
- **ISSCFV**: International Standard Statistical Classification of Fishery Vessels
- GIS

Logbook



CWP – activities relevant to FLUX

CWP-25 (February 2016)

CWP can extend its recommendations to Metadata Standards of interest to fisheries, beyond the strict statistical standards

- liaising with concerned forums such as the Global Record Working Group (GRWG), RDA, UN-CEFACT;
- so to be in an informed position to make recommendation at some stage

Established Task Group: Reference [data] Harmonization for capture fisheries and aquaculture statistics

- Registration and harmonization of Concepts, Classifications, Data structure
- Promoting use/reuse of harmonized reference data in Metadata schemes (e.g. FLUX)
- Promoting data sharing agreements that facilitate interoperability

Towards enhancing logbook guidelines

• Could dovetail with FLUX / Fishing Activity domain

THANK YOU



- FAO has a lead global role in fisheries sustainability
- There are Collaboration opportunities with
 - **UN/CEFACT Team of Specialist on Flux**
- This meeting will be informative for FAO to decide on actual collaboration

