Global Fisheries Ecosystem Management Network (GFEMN) & the World Council of Fisheries Societies (WCFS)

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Goal:

Strengthen ecosystem-based approach to fisheries conservation and sustainability

- 1. Survey of the needs and capacity of each developing country in sound, responsible scientific approaches to fisheries management
- 2. Strengthening of the GEF-LME projects network and other marine fisheries networks and partnerships
- 3. Prepare for the 5th World Fisheries Congress in Yokohama, Japan (2008)
- 4. Development of extensive database of ecosystem oriented fisheries management practices and experts, hosted by WCFS and AFS and connecting the GFEMN with opportunities in WCFS countries.

Survey Overview

- Survey covers personnel background, resources, management, research and country perception
- LME-specific questions included
- Ready for circulation immediately following steering committee meeting (5 July 2006)

GFEMN Web Site and Database

http://www.fisheries.org/html/gfemn/index.shtml

- Defines project goals and partners
- Lists members, affiliations and countries
- Supports up-to-date listing of international fisheries jobs and news
- Houses growing database of fisheries professionals

GFEMN Member Countries

Global Total = 42

> North America

Mexico, St. Lucia, Dominican Republic, Panama, Guatemala

> South America

Brazil, Chile, Peru, Uruguay

Europe

Turkey, Russia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Ukraine

> Asia

 Yemen, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Cambodia, Viet Nam, Thailand, Indonesia, China, Philippines,

> Africa

 Nigeria, Morocco, Somalia, Zambia, Benin, Senegal, Cameroon, Ghana, Namibia, Kenya, South Africa, Uganda, Cote D'Ivoire

> Oceana

Guam, Samoa

LME Affiliations

Benguela Current

Guinea Current

Humboldt Current

GFEMN Member Affiliations and Organizations

- Universities in Nigeria, Ghana, India, Pakistan, Turkey, Croatia, Russia, Mexico
- Governmental agencies in Guam, St. Lucia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia
- Private sector in Uruguay, India
- NGOs in Zambia, Benin, Kenya, Dominican Republic

WCFS Members

- Japanese Society of Fisheries Science
- Indian Society of Fisheries Professionals
- Zoological Society of Pakistan
- International Council for the Exploration of the Sea
- American Fisheries Society
- Fisheries Society of the British Isles
- Chinese Society of Fisheries
- Australian Society for Fish Biology
- Asian Fisheries Society