

# Group Work (28/9/2022)

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Information sharing needs for informing integrated marine fisheries environment status reports	Develop <b>georeferenced fisheries data products on spatial and temporal scales</b> for areas of interest to allow linkages between environmental/oceanographic/socioeconomic data (resource users)
	Incl. Fisheries status information and mapping of all vulnerable habitats. (fisheries survey data, remote sensed data, pollution etc)
	Need to establish national-level meta-databases to be updated regularly which are also available to the public. Meta-database summarize what data is available, where it was collected, by whom, how and when it was collected.
	An inventory of the existing structures for data sharing is needed (are the structures working structures? do we need to create new ones or do we revitalize existing ones?) <b>National oceanographic data centers</b> to be revitalized. ( <b>Nairobi Convention Clearinghouse mechanisms can be revitalized</b> ) <b>WIOFish</b> There is also need to <b>ensure that countries commit</b>
	Data collection to be guided by a joint management strategies (Fisheries and environment) using EAF approach

Who needs to access the data?	Whoever needs to do the integrated analysis (scientistists, managers)
Who needs to share the data	Research institutions , funding agencies
Barriers to data sharing	Lack of standardized data collection and archiving systems makes it difficult to share data for regional level assessments