



Work together towards sustainability



Use the MSC standard as a tool to conduct an analysis of the state of marine resources to drive sustainability improvements in Mediterranean fisheries



MSC Fisheries Standard

Principle 1: Sustainable fish stocks

The fishing activity must be at a level which ensures it can continue indefinitely

Principle 2: Minimising environmental impact

Fishing operations must be managed to maintain the structure, productivity, function and diversity of the ecosystem

Principle 3: Effective management

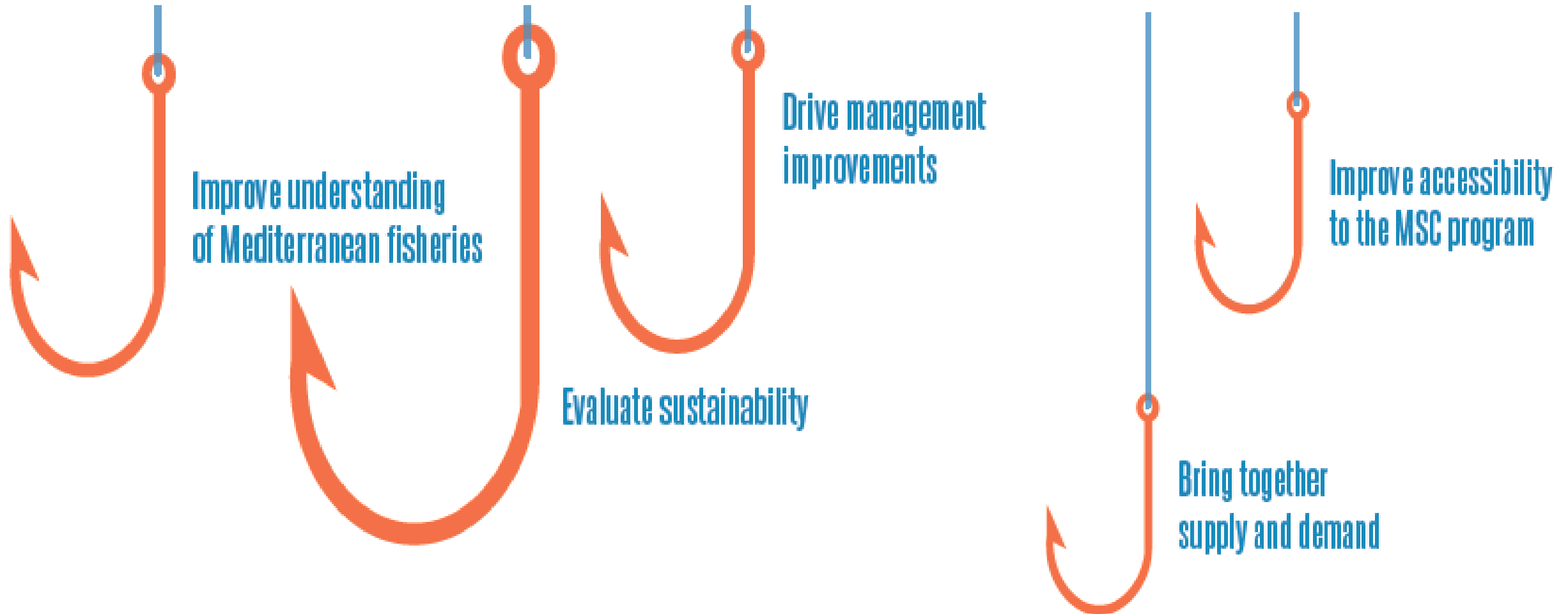
The fishery must comply with relevant laws and have a management system that is responsive to changing circumstances

Why in the Mediterranean?

- Very few assessed stocks (overfishing in ~85% of them)
- Lack of data and resources
- Lack of visibility on the international scene
- Importance of artisanal sector and specificity of the fleet
- Importance of fishing in the local economy
- No fishery certified against the MSC standard



Main Objectives

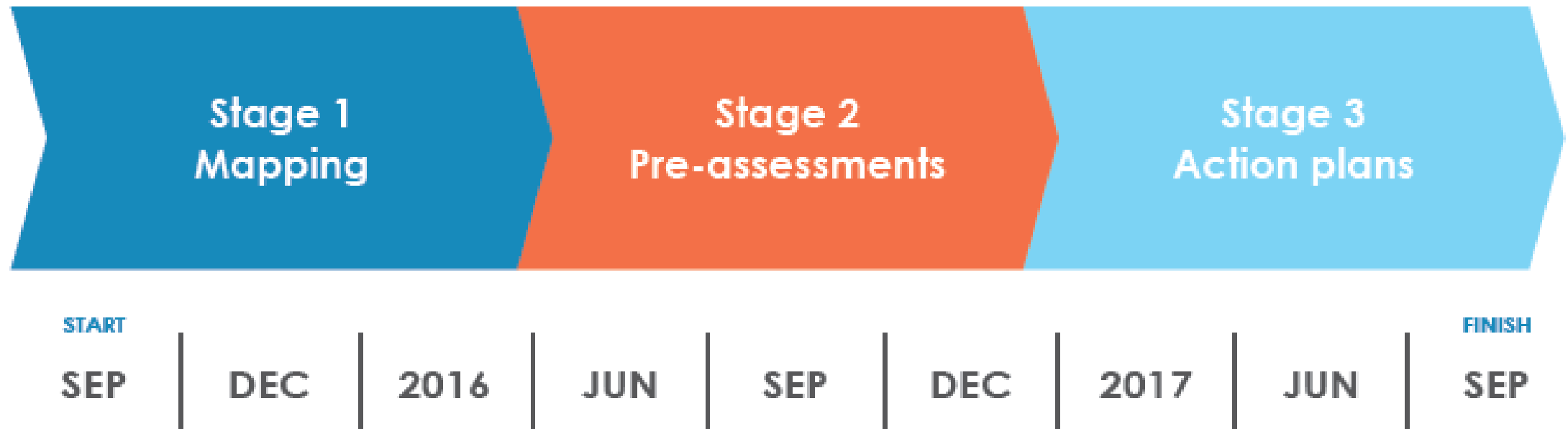


Where?



- **Who ?**
MSC, WWF, CABs
- **Where?**
France and Spain
- **When ?**
From September 2015, for 2 years

Main steps



Step 1: Mapping

- 7 months
- Selection of 50 fisheries/country
- Representative of the Mediterranean fishing fleet
- Information gathering and detailed description: *gear, specie, production, area, environment, market, stakeholders...*
- Description factsheets
- Basis for Step 2



Step 2 :Pre-assessments

- 8 months
- 7 fisheries/country
- Use of the MSC standard criteria and pre-assessment procedure
- Gap analysis: strengths and progress points
- Reports, searchable database



Step 3: Improvements

- 9 months
- Address the gaps identified during stage 2
- Action plans proposition
- Guide practices improvements on the mid-term
- Partnerships fisheries-market



A participative project

- All stakeholders welcome to get involved:
fishermen, scientists, producer organizations, managers, NGOs, market actors, retailers etc...
- Crucial for the project success
- How?
 - Engagement by MSC and WWF
 - Meeting with the CABs
 - Advisory Groups
 - Workshops for fisherment/market actors
- **Replications?**





Thank you!

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