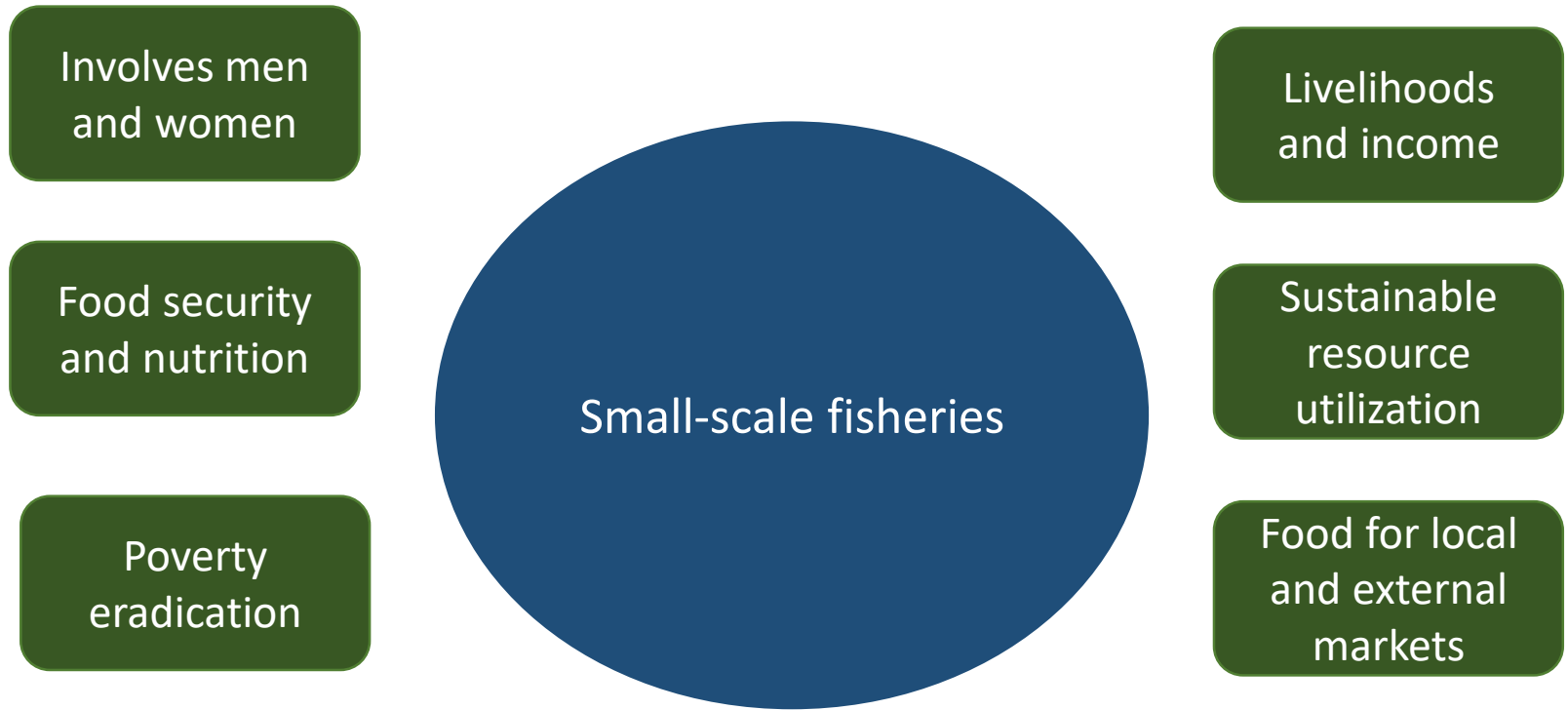




Not to be forgotten: the
role of small-scale
fisheries and women in
the value chains and
livelihoods

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Small-scale fisheries

- Full-time, part-time, seasonal, or occasional
- Contribute half of global fish catches
- Employ more than 90% of world's capture fishers and fish workers, about half of whom are women



However:

The social, economic and cultural importance is not fully recognized or understood

Women's fisheries-related activities

Pre-capture

Boat owners

Net mending

Bait preparation

Preparation of
seedlings for seaweed
farming

Capture or farming

Fishing with husband

Shell collecting from
the intertidal zone

Sea cucumber collecting

Oyster and mussel
farming

Seaweed farming

Small-scale fish farming

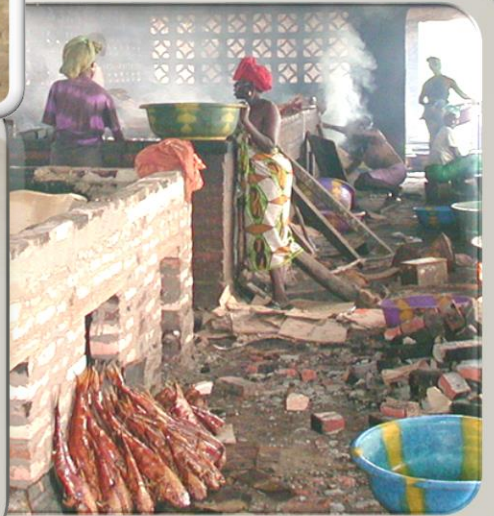
Post-harvest and marketing

Fish processing –
drying, salting, smoking

Fish trading

Workers in fish
processing companies

Women's contribution is often invisible and underestimated



Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries

in the Context of Food Security
and Poverty Eradication



Negotiated
international
instrument entirely
dedicated to small-
scale fisheries

Go beyond fisheries –
responsible fisheries +
social and economic
development

Endorsed by the FAO
Committee on
Fisheries in June 2014

Purpose of the SSF Guidelines

Place small-scale fisheries in the context of human rights

Set out principles and guidance for sustainable SSF development: framework for action for all stakeholders

Empower SSF communities to participate in decision-making processes and to assume responsibilities for sustainable use of fisheries resources

Emphasis on vulnerable and marginalized groups and gender dimensions



SSF Guidelines

Part 1

Introduction

1. Objectives
2. Nature and scope
3. Guiding Principles
4. Relationship with other international instruments

Part 2

Responsible fisheries and sustainable development

5. Governance of tenure in SSF and resource management
 - 5a. Responsible governance of tenure
 - 5b. Sustainable resource management
6. Social development, employment and decent work
7. Value chains, post harvest and trade
8. Gender equality
9. Disaster risks and climate change

Part 3

Ensuring an enabling environment and supporting implementation

10. Policy coherence, institutional coordination and collaboration
11. Information, research and communication
12. Capacity development
13. Implementation support and monitoring

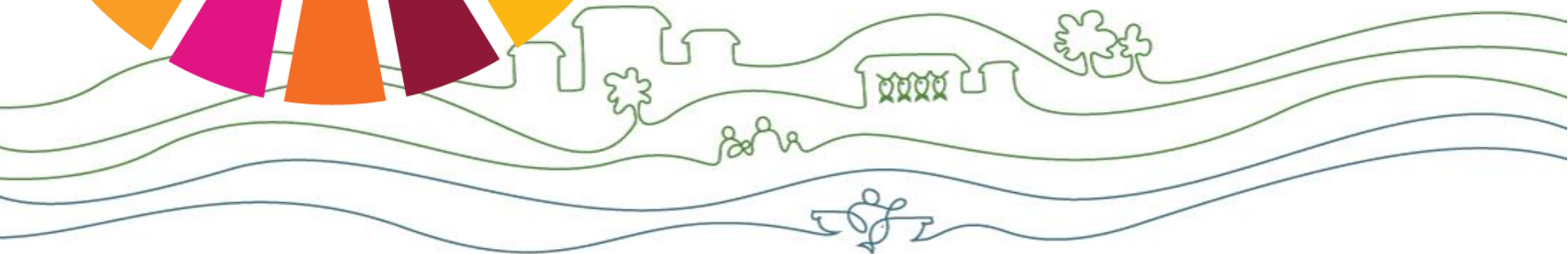
SDG 14.b:

Provide access for small-scale artisanal fishers to marine resources and markets



SDG indicator 14.b.1:

Progress by countries in the degree of application of a legal/regulatory/policy/institutional framework which recognizes and protects access rights for small-scale fisheries



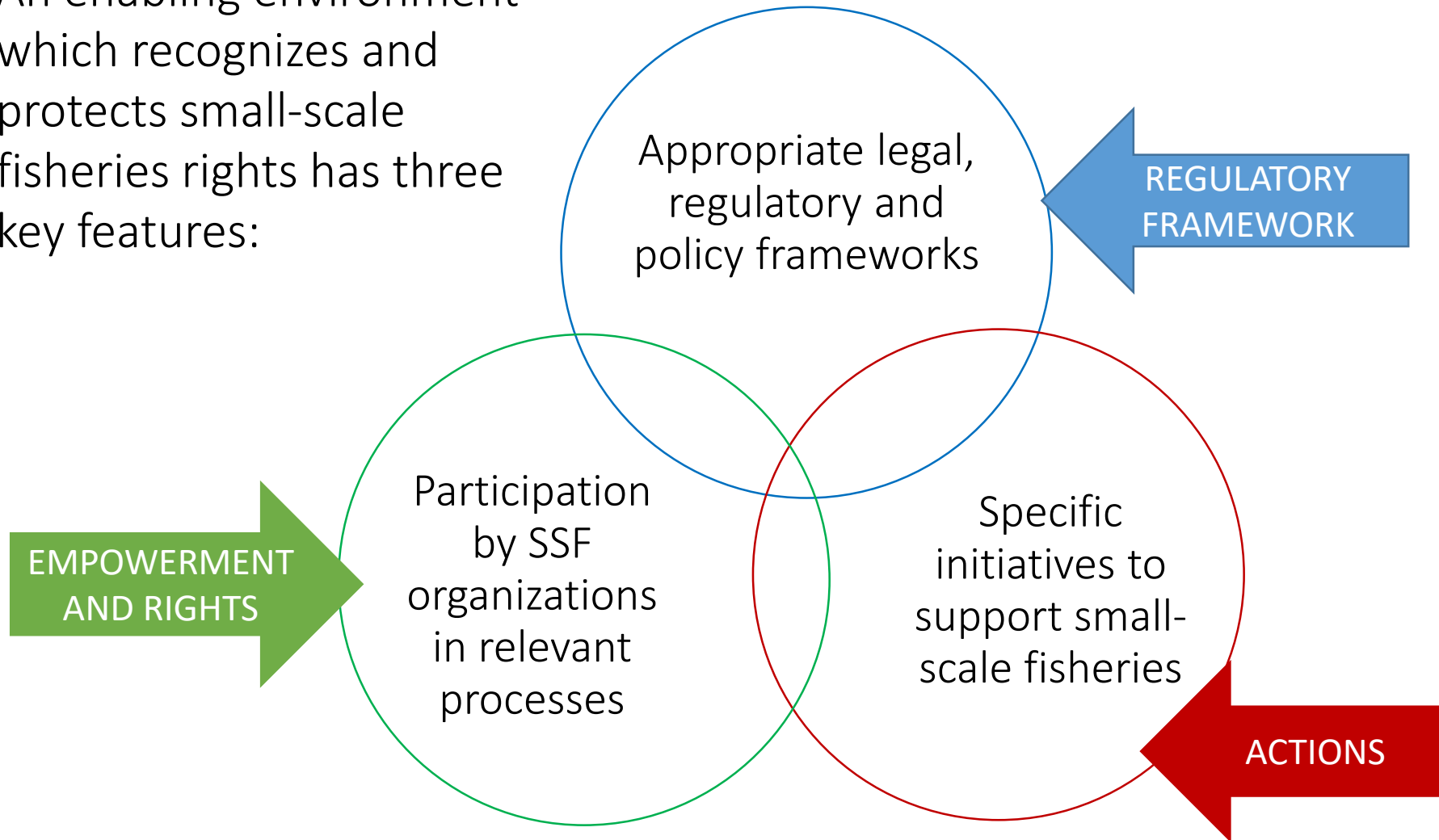
SDG 14.b:

- A global recognition of the importance of small-scale fisheries
- An opportunity to rethink small-scale fisheries at the national level
- Important linkages to other SDGs!



HOW DO WE MEASURE TARGET SDG 14.B?

An enabling environment which recognizes and protects small-scale fisheries rights has three key features:



METHODOLOGICAL PROCESS



- Led by FAO
- Agreement by the FAO Committee on Fisheries to use data of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries (CCRF) questionnaire for SDG reporting
- Selection of three questions from the CCRF questionnaire as variables
- Presentation of methodology to FAO Committee on Fisheries bureau
- Results to compile the indicator obtained in 2016 and 2018

IDENTIFICATION AND DEFINITION OF THE VARIABLES



No	Question/variable	% of total indicator
1	Existence of laws, regulations, policies, plans or strategies that specifically target or address the small-scale fisheries sector	40%
2	Ongoing specific initiatives to implement the SSF Guidelines	30%
3	Existence of mechanisms enabling small-scale fishers and fish workers to contribute to decision-making processes	30%

Not to be forgotten

- Importance of small-scale fisheries for food security and nutrition, livelihoods and income, poverty eradication, food for local and external markets
- Women are involved at all stages of the fish value chain but their contribution is often underestimated, invisible and not valued
- The Small-scale Fisheries Guidelines provide a framework for action for all stakeholders on sustainable small-scale fisheries development as well as on the achievement of SDG target 14.b.

Resources

- Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication
<http://www.fao.org/voluntary-guidelines-small-scale-fisheries/en/>
- Sustainable Development Goals
<http://www.fao.org/sustainable-development-goals/en/>
- E-learning on SDG 14.b
<http://www.fao.org/elearning/#/elc/en/course/SDG14B1>
- Training workshop on 14.b.1
<http://www.fao.org/3/CA0140EN/ca0140en.pdf>



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