

**Kiribati, Nauru, Tonga,  
Vanuatu, Samoa**

**A TEAM**

# Challenges with Fishers

- Do not like writing (brief logs)
- Language barrier (english/local language forms)
- Inaccurate data
- Inconsistency with data submission
- Traditional barriers (sharing fishing skills/area/season)
- Discrimination of surveyor (gender/ranking/sections)

# Strategies

- Incentives for fishers (10% reduction fuel price/reduction on license fee/fishing competition)
- Trainings/Workshops (distribute species identification cards/filling forms)
- Identification cards with local names
- Awareness programs (TV/Radio ads/Phamphets)
- Establish Management Plans and Associations
- Collaborate with Associations, Recreational clubs, Traditional Governance (high chiefs/youth) and other stakeholders
- Establish a good professional relationship with fishers

# Challenges

- Lack human resources and resources (staff/transport)
- Funds
- Multiple landings sites (low coverage)
- Fishers not mandated for data collection
- Training Fishers (Crew turn over)
- Identification of fishing areas (widespread)
- No licensing and registrations
- Outdates policy frameworks needs review

# Opportunities

- Nauru - Small island
- Tonga - Fishermen Association established
- Kiribati – Fisheries Act amended to address data collection
- Vanuatu – Fishermen Association established, Resource monitors established (One Small Bag), Reviewed Legislation, Observers
- Samoa - Licensing, Associations established, Fisheries Bill 2012, Port sampling, Observers,

# Opportunities

- TUFART/ TUFMAN somewhat initiated for all countries