

Caribbean Region's Strategies Moving Forward



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Answers to Question 1



- Species Identification Guides for Local Stocks
- FAO's ISharkFin Software
- Fin ID Guide
- DNA Testing Kits

Answers to Question 2



- We intend to disseminate of information through a variety of methods to agencies like:

Customs

Other staff members of the fisheries

Quarantine department

Veterinarian department

Etc....



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- To train coast guards and marine police who assist with illegal fishing activities
- To get fishers involved
- Department of international merchant marine vessels that fish on the high seas
- To develop an e-tool kit for training when staff turnover
- To be more vigilant when exporting fish species

Answers to Question 3 and 4



- Non-detriment findings (As a region, we need to conduct surveys on the status of shark stocks)
- Harmonized custom codes for the region
- Stiffer border control measures (improved efficiency)
- Implementation of electronic permits for CITES forms
- Public education of CITES regulations
- Get regional organizations involved to determine way forward

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- Review regulatory framework to identify gaps in the legislation
- Data collection of shark landings
- How to deal with trade of other shark parts
- Multispecies fishery (“no by-catch”)

