







Regional workshop and validation of the OECS Blue BioTrade Action Plan for the queen conch value chain in the Eastern Caribbean

Sunset Shores Beach Hotel, Kingstown, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Online

26-27 May 2022

Day 1: 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. AST (GMT-4) Day 2: 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. AST (GMT-4)

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

(Version 10 as of 26 May 2022)

DAY 1		
26 May 2022		
8:30 – 9 a.m.	Registration SESSION 1	
9 – 10: 30 a.m.	 Chair of Proceedings: Ms. Alisha Ally, Communications Specialist, OECS Welcoming remarks Hon. Saboto Caesar, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Rural Transformation, Industry and Labour, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Hon. Albert Prospere, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Physical Planning, Natural Resources and Cooperatives, Saint Lucia (Virtual) Hon. Yolande Bain Horsford, Minister of Sports, Culture and Arts, Cooperatives and Fisheries, Grenada (Virtual) H.E. Dr. Didacus Jules, Director General, Organization of Eastern Caribbean States Mr. Luis Maia, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Barbados, the OECS, and CARICOM/CARIFORUM (Virtual) Mr. David Vivas Eugui, Legal Officer, UNCTAD Ms. Karen Gaynor, Scientific Officer, CITES OECS Blue BioTrade short documentary film presentation Commentator: Mr. Lench Fevrier, Technical Specialist, Agriculture, OECS 	

10:30 – 11 a.m.	Coffee break
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	SESSION 2 Moderators: Mr. David Vivas Eugui, UNCTAD Ms. Karen Gaynor, CITES Presentation of country case study (Grenada) Speaker: Mr. George Phillip, Acting Chief Fisheries Officer, Grenada Presentation of country case study (Saint Lucia) Speaker: Ms. Sarita Williams-Peter, Chief Fisheries Officer, Saint Lucia Presentation of country case study (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) Speaker: Ms. Jennifer Cruickshank-Howard, Chief Fisheries Officer, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Cross-country lessons from the three country case studies: Speakers: Mr. Alexander Girvan, Project Coordinator, UNCTAD-OECS Mr. Mauro Gongora, Fisheries Expert, UNCTAD-OECS
	Q&A by stakeholders Lunch
1-2 p.m.	Lunch
2 – 3:30 p.m.	Moderator: Ms. Jacqueline Emmanuel-Flood, Director, Economic Affairs and Regional Integration, OECS Presentation of draft OECS Blue BioTrade Plan of Action and Key Recommendations Speakers: Mr. Alexander Girvan, Project Coordinator, UNCTAD-OECS Mr. Mauro Gongora, Fisheries Expert, UNCTAD-OECS With technical support by Mr. David Vivas Eugui, UNCTAD and Ms. Karen Gaynor, CITES Q&A by stakeholders
3:30– 3:45 p.m.	
3:45 – 5:30 p.m.	Coffee Break SESSION 3 (continuation)
	Draft OECS Blue BioTrade Plan of Action: Discussions on priority setting, expected results and implementation means

DAY 2 27 May 2022		
8-8:30 a.m.	Registration	
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	- Presentation on the potential of establishing queen conch nurseries to support restoration and socio-economic resilience by Dr. Megan Davis , Research Professor, Aquaculture & Stock Enhancement, Florida Atlantic University - Building the communiqué	
9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Coffee break	
9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.	SESSION 4 Prioritization of the OECS Regional Blue BioTrade Action Plan	
11 a.m. – 12 noon	Closing remarks and next steps OECS, UNCTAD, CITES	
12 noon – 12:30 p.m.	Lunch	