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EU-TURKEY COOPS TO COAST

*European and Turkish Cooperatives drivers of CSOs
alliances for the development of Coastal territories
(CSDV/DG/01/A5-02/398)*

FINAL CAPITALIZATION CONFERENCE

Date: **December 16th, 2020**

11:00 – 13:00 (Rome Time), 13:00 -15:00 (Ankara time)

COOPS TO COAST

Thanks to the [CoopsToCoast](#) project, the fishery cooperatives of the province of Rize have been reinforced and accompanied in becoming protagonists of the coastal development, in partnership with other private and public actors, elaborating community based local development initiatives.

The project comes in the middle of a period of great evolution of the fishery and coastal development policies in Turkey. Cooperatives are renewing their operations to better serve their members, a law for Fishing tourism is under discussion, and the inclusive approaches for local development are more and more considered as a successful strategy by public and private actors across the Country. While at international level, synergies and alliances are going to be established among fishery enterprises and cooperatives.

In the Final Capitalization Conference we'll discuss the perspectives for creating synergies on those subject with the most important national and international organization active on the sector.

Join us for contributing to shape the future!



AGENDA

11:00 Welcome of participants and introduction

11:10 Presentation of the Coops To Coast project results on Cooperatives, CLLD and Fishing Tourism

Prof. Goktug Dalgic, Project Manager

11:30 Turkish fishery cooperatives commitment for diversification and coastal development

Ramazan ÖZKAYA, President of Turkish Union of Fishery cooperatives

11:40 Mediterranean Business Alliances for fishery diversification

Enrico Andreini, Legacoop Agroalimentare, Project manager FISHMEDNET (ENI CBC MED)

11:50 Community Led Local Development Initiatives in Europe for fishery diversification

Margot van Soetendael and Marta Erdera Garcia, FARNET Support Unit

12:00 The WWF Mediterranean initiative for coastal and fishery development

Timucin Dincer, WWF Mediterranean Marine Initiative

12:10 Results of the FAO Blue Hope Project for fishery diversification

Vurdem Disa, FAO- Blue-Hope project

12:20 The case of Integrated local development initiatives in other Turkish Coastal Communities

Mesut Özcan, Coordinator of Cukurova Development Agency - Mersin Investment Support Office

12:30 The future of fishery diversification and coastal community engagement in Turkey

Turgay TÜRKYILMAZ, Vice General Manager of General Directorate of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry of Agriculture And Forestry,

12:45 – 13:00 Q & A session.

