



# NATIONAL FISHERIES AUTHORITY

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## NEWS RELEASE

### **NFA promotes Fisheries products in the Global Seafood Exposition**

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The National Fisheries Authority (NFA) has recently participated in the world's biggest seafood trade fair held in Barcelona, Spain that features more than 2,000 exhibiting companies from 89 countries around the world.

NFA's participation in this Global seafood exposition was important for the Papua New Guinea Fisheries Sector to promote and sell the country's seafood products, processing equipment and services to leading buyers from around the world and further more promoting the government systems and technologies that has been developed and adopted over the years to ensure PNG seafood and fisheries resource are managed sustainably, and for the economic benefits of the country and international consumers.

NFA has developed a web-based platform to store and supply information about the fisheries resource that are in the country

The system that are in place is not restricted to only few fisheries products but relatively available to all seafood products. It is able to perform the traceability of fisheries resources from net to plate.

The Integrated Fisheries Information Management System (IFIMS) Manager, Mr David Karis on behalf of the Fisheries Sector said that PNG IFIMS is now recognized by fish traders and International Non-Government Organization specialized in seafood supply chain Technology.

He said that PNG government through NFA is also embarking on developing a platform for small crafts and coastal fisheries information management system to connect, protect and empower local fishermen. The system will also create market opportunities as well as providing traceability for small scale fishing operation in PNG.

The PNG Fishing Industry Association (FIA) and the industry representatives participating at the exposition expressed gratitude and acknowledged NFA's Acting Managing Director, Mr Justin Ilakini for allowing NFA to participate and the enormous support provided during the Global seafood exposition.

The Global Covid-19 pandemic has affected trade. However, the recent exposition has set the stage again for fisheries sector in PNG continue to expand their trade

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