



# Introduction to the UK fisheries case study

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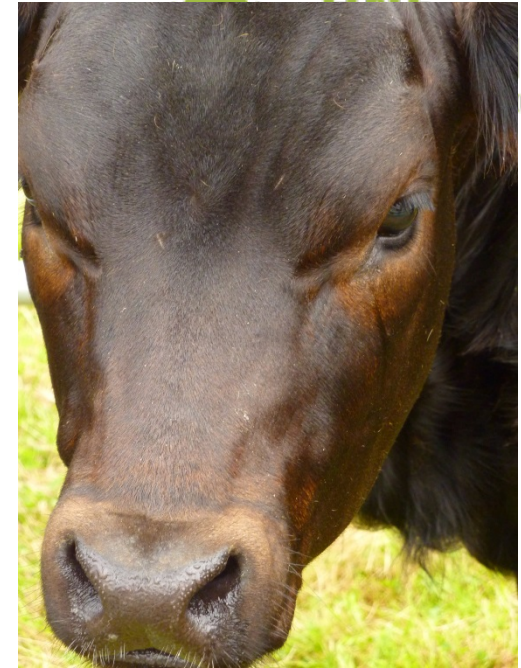
# Inshore Fisheries, Cornwall

- SW peninsular of UK
- 530,000 people
- One of the poorest parts of the UK in terms of per capita GDP.
- About 60% of EU average per capita
- European Convergence Area
- ERDF and ESF funds available
- FLAG



# Inshore Fisheries, Cornwall

- Understanding their adaptive capacity and sustainability
- Adopting a resilience perspective
- The key role of human capacities:
  - Appropriate governance / regulatory frameworks / market arrangements



# Inshore Fisheries, Cornwall

- Tourism is the most important industry
- One in three touched by fishing
- Inshore defined as under 10m
- 619 registered vessels (90% <10m)
- 898 active fishermen
- CFP, especially quota
- Brexit





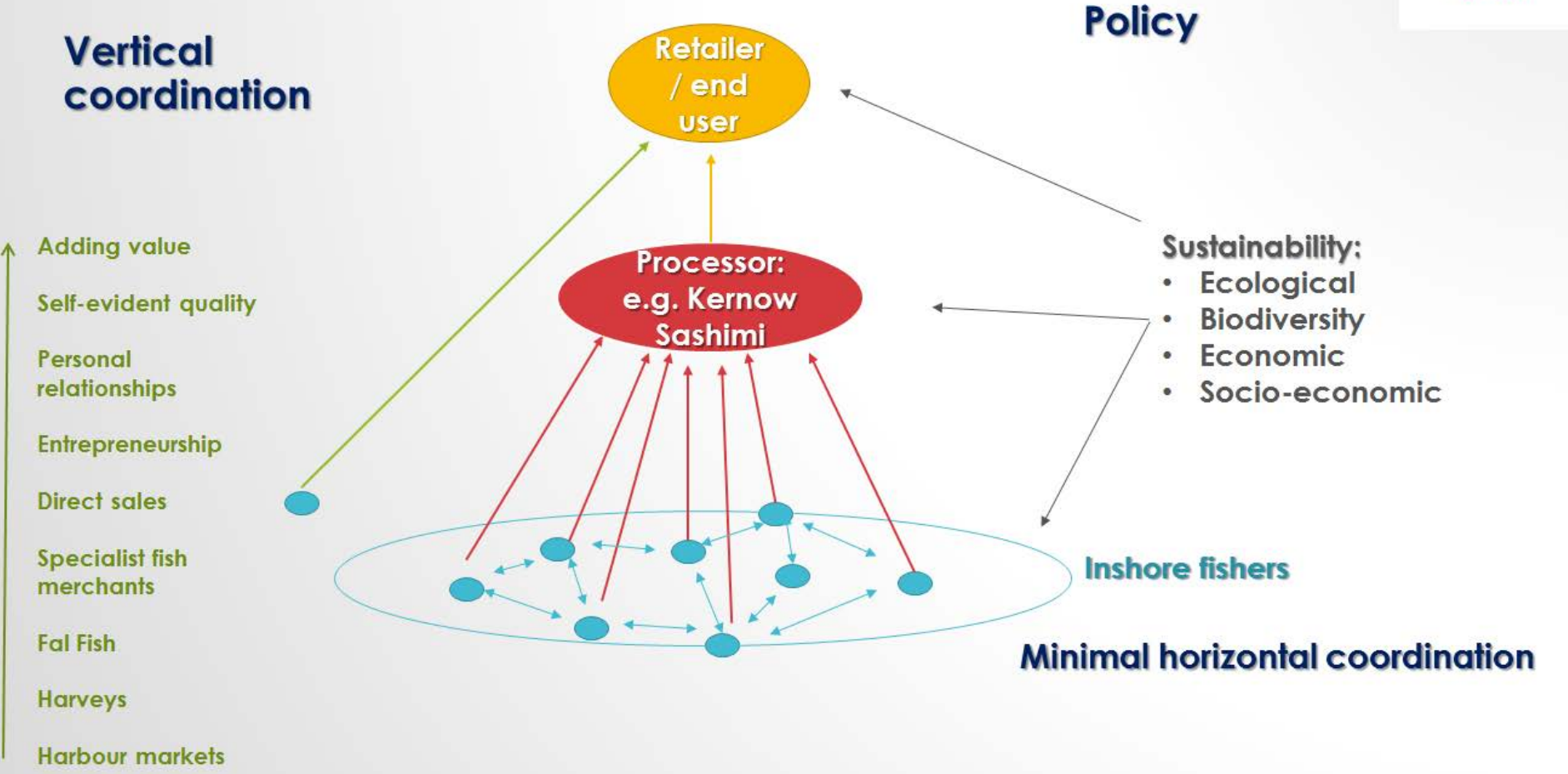
# Institutional arrangements

- Physical flows (e.g. storage, sorting, packaging, processing, transport)
- Monetary flows (e.g. price, added value)
- Information flows (e.g. standards, labels, brands)
- Vertical coordination
- Horizontal coordination



## Inshore fishers in Cornwall

### Vertical coordination



# Cornwall inshore fishery: key issues

- Reasons for going fishing
- What is distinctive about inshore fishing
- Markets and marketing
- Quota
- Policy and management
- Resilience
- The future

- **Reasons for going fishing**

- “It's just what I've done. It's not a job, it's a way of life, and it's salt water coursing through these veins and it always will, you know. I don't make a fortune, but I make a living. I love going to sea and I love doing what I do. I fish.”



# Cornwall inshore fishery: key issues

- What is distinctive about inshore fishing
  - Highly localised
  - Scale of operation
  - Inherently ecologically sustainable
    - "I mean, we're under 10 m boats, we've got a limited distance, we've got a limit to what we can carry, gear-wise and catch-wise...Your impact on the overall fish stocks is going to be minimal."

# Cornwall inshore fishery: key issues

- **Markets and marketing** - Adding value
  - Selling through the market
  - Selling to local restaurants
  - Personal relationship and reputation
  - Entrepreneurship
  - Dreckly Fish in Newlyn; Kernow Sashimi
  - Freshness and quality
  - Competition amongst fishers, not cooperation



# Cornwall inshore fishery: key issues

- **Quota**
  - Access to sufficient quota - Brexit
  - Frustration with quota allocation and bureaucracy
  - Growing cost of licences
  - Additional entry cost burden

- **Policy and management**
  - French and Belgian trawlers working at 6nm limit
  - Fishing for Leave - Brexit
  - CFPO; Coastal PO
  - “I don't know who is attending those [Brexit] meetings... These big players are going to be around the table and we don't have any representation, it's hopeless, **we have no salt in the river...**” (Helston FG).

# Cornwall inshore fishery: key issues

- **Resilience**

- Fishers are inherently resilient
- To what extent and in what ways are fishers able to adapt to changing circumstances?
- Succession
- "We are the visual side of fishing as well... Communities are a big thing...You don't know what you've got until you've lost it".



- **The future**
  - **What is the vision for inshore fishing in the UK?**
    - Contribution to food and nutrition security?
    - Catching fish or preserving a way of life?
    - Socio-economic contribution in relation to communities?
    - ‘Social externalities’.

Thank you!

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