

Stakeholder Engagement *Overview & Examples*

Noo Raajje Working Group Meeting

March 2, 2021



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AGENDA

9:05 - 9:15 am

WELCOME & REVIEW MEETING MINUTES RECAP

9:15 - 9:30 am

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROCESSES

9:30 - 9:55 am

DISCUSSION: GATHERING ADVICE FROM MSP SUBCOMMITTEE
TO INFORM NOO RAAJE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT
STRATEGY AND MSP RELATED CONSULTATIONS

9:55 - 10:00am

DISCUSSION & NEXT MEETING TIME



Stakeholder Engagement *Goals*

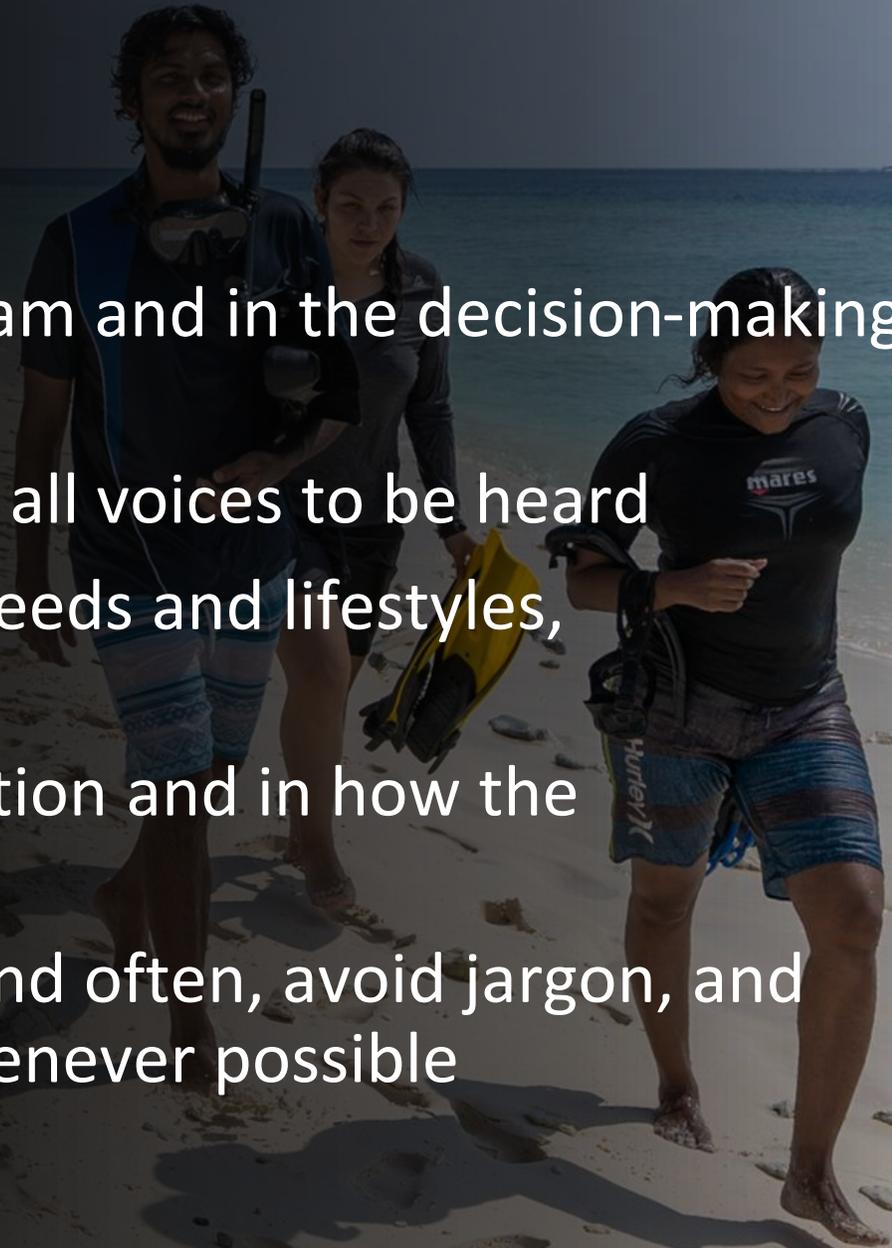
1. To accurately identify and engage all parties that will be impacted by or involved in the marine spatial planning process;
2. To provide opportunities for communities to take ownership of the MSP process and be stewards of their environment;
3. To use participant input to develop and adopt a comprehensive marine spatial plan that will help direct decision makers, users, and stakeholders towards more strategic and efficient uses of marine resources



Stakeholder Engagement

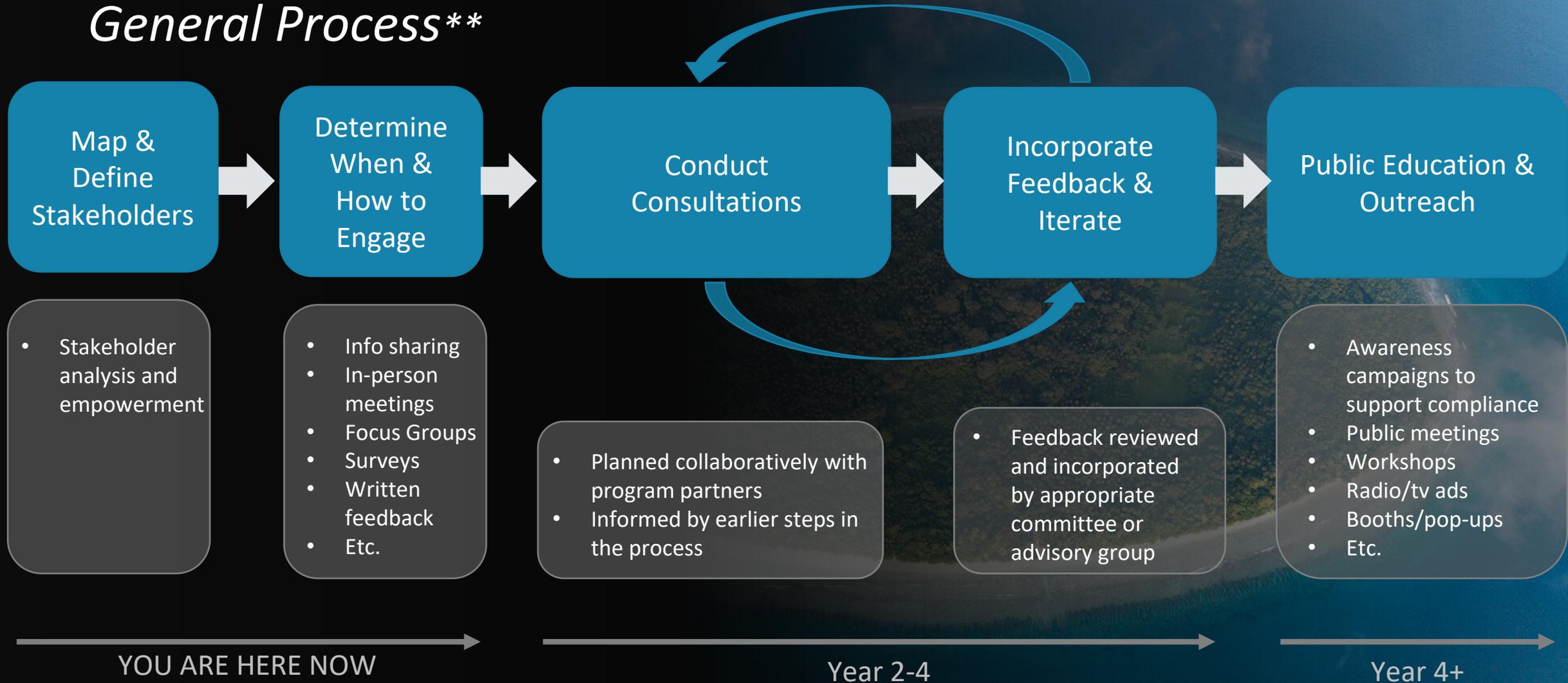
Guiding Principles

- Involve stakeholders early in the program and in the decision-making process
- Be inclusive and provide a platform for all voices to be heard
- Respect the diversity of people, their needs and lifestyles, preferences etc.
- Be clear in the purpose of the consultation and in how the information will be used
- Be transparent, communicate clearly and often, avoid jargon, and make documents publicly available whenever possible



Stakeholder Engagement

General Process**



** This process is tailored to a site and often detailed in a stakeholder engagement strategy that is collaboratively developed.

Stakeholder Engagement

Potential Participants

Primary Participants

- **Directly involved** in or affected by the project
- Will need to be **engaged early in the process** and throughout MSP development
- Will **contribute information** related to areas of importance and future demands on ocean space
- May be **involved in goal setting, MSP development, implementation, and management.**



Fishing & Aquaculture



Tourism and Recreation



Government Officials



Maritime Industries & Port Authority



Enforcement Agencies



Community Leaders



NGOs & Conservation



General Public

Secondary Participants

- Not directly affected by the project
- Can be **involved later in the process** to help develop or **provide feedback on the MSP.**



Technical Experts



Academia

MSP Timeline



Stakeholder Engagement

Site Example: Bermuda

- Established 'Ocean Village' groups- each group contained certain stakeholders and had a dedicated facilitator- monthly meetings
- Stakeholders were asked to provide input in a variety of ways including:

Completing the Ocean Use Survey

Providing feedback on draft MSP scenarios

Providing feedback on final draft MSP

Providing input to inform Blue Economy Vision

Stakeholder Engagement

Site Example: Bermuda

- Program governance includes advisory Science Committee that provides guidance and support in the consideration of stakeholder feedback
- Governance also includes a Steering Committee that approves outputs for stakeholder consultations, and provides official response to stakeholder input



Stakeholder Engagement

Site Example: Azores

- Two SE processes (ongoing):
 - nearshore (areas within 6nm of the coastline) and
 - offshore (areas beyond 6nm from the coastline)
- Developed stakeholder taskforce:
 - Composed of reps of main stakeholders, process leaders, and promoters
 - Coordinated by two regional government Directors
 - Established clear roles and decision-making processes
 - Will lead the offshore process and act in advisory role for nearshore process



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** Note these are planned as sequential processes, not concurrent

DISCUSSION

Typical stages for stakeholder engagement in MSP

Ocean use
mapping

1st Draft
of MSP

Final Draft
of MSP

DISCUSSION

Who are the stakeholder groups in the Maldives?

Commercial
Fishers

Recreation &
Conservation

Diving, Snorkeling
and Swimming

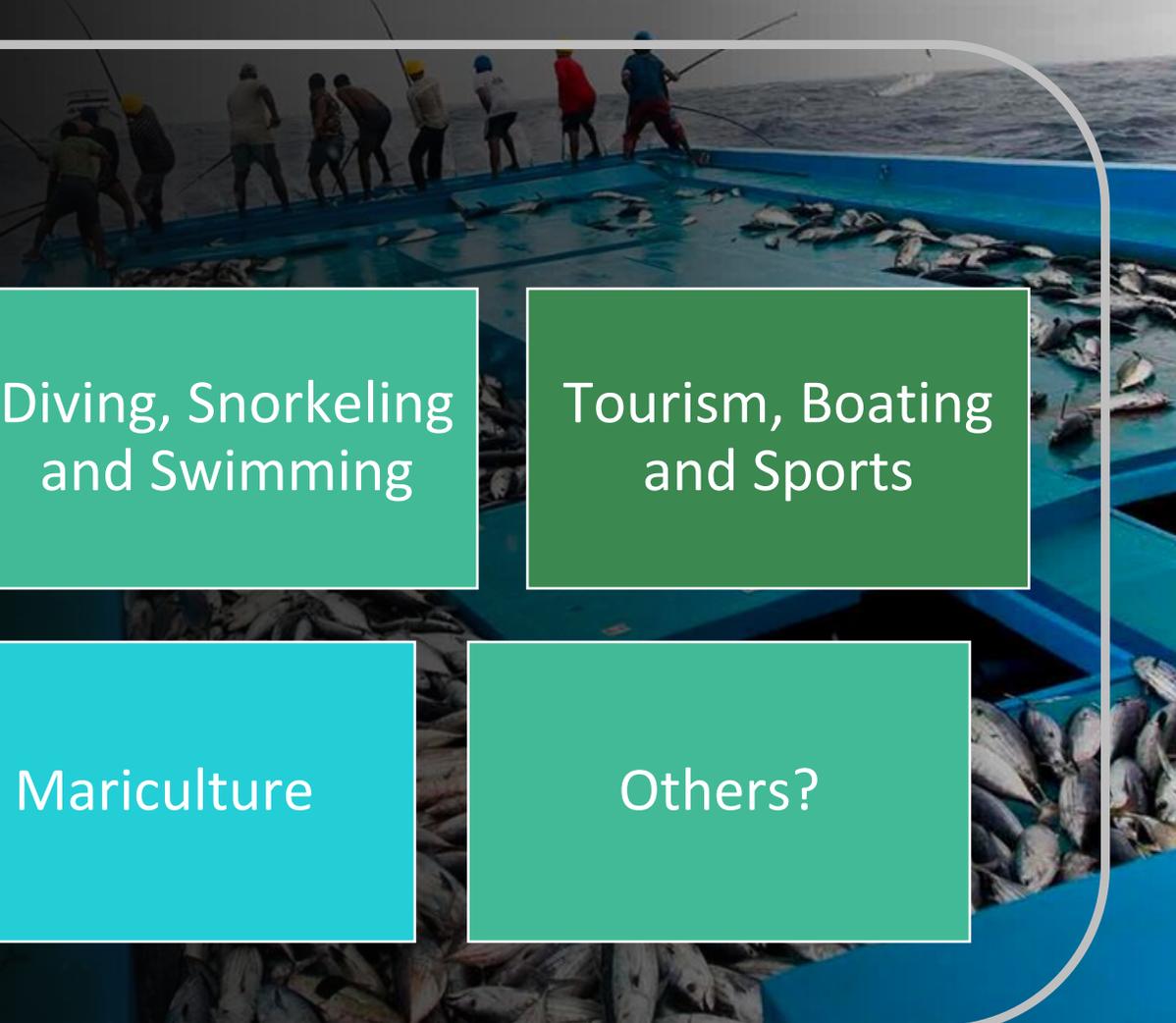
Tourism, Boating
and Sports

Utilities,
Infrastructure and
Development

Recreational
Fishermen

Mariculture

Others?



DISCUSSION

How should we be engaging these stakeholders?

In person

Surveys

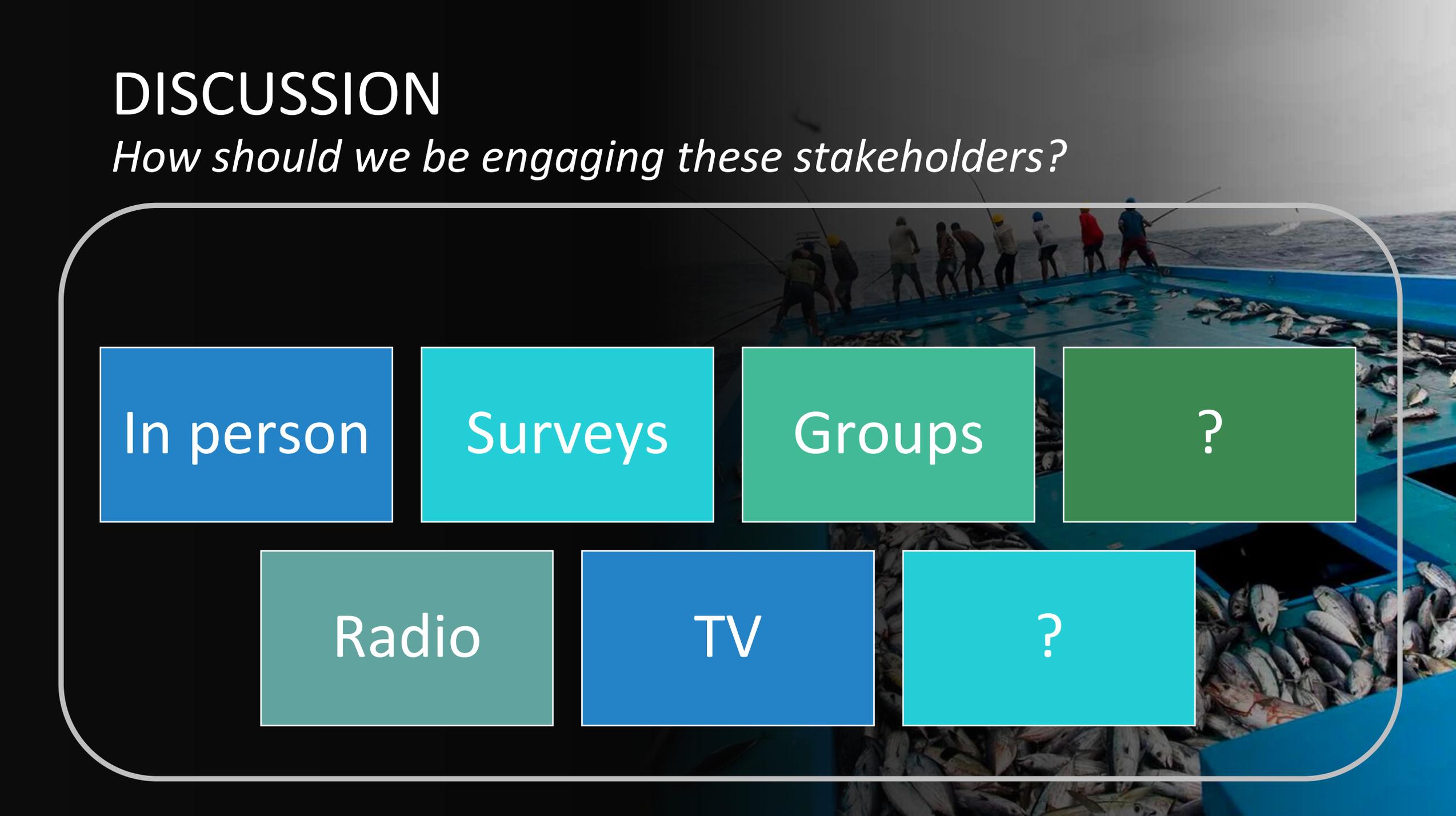
Groups

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Radio

TV

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DISCUSSION

How best to incorporate feedback and respond to stakeholders?

Spatially

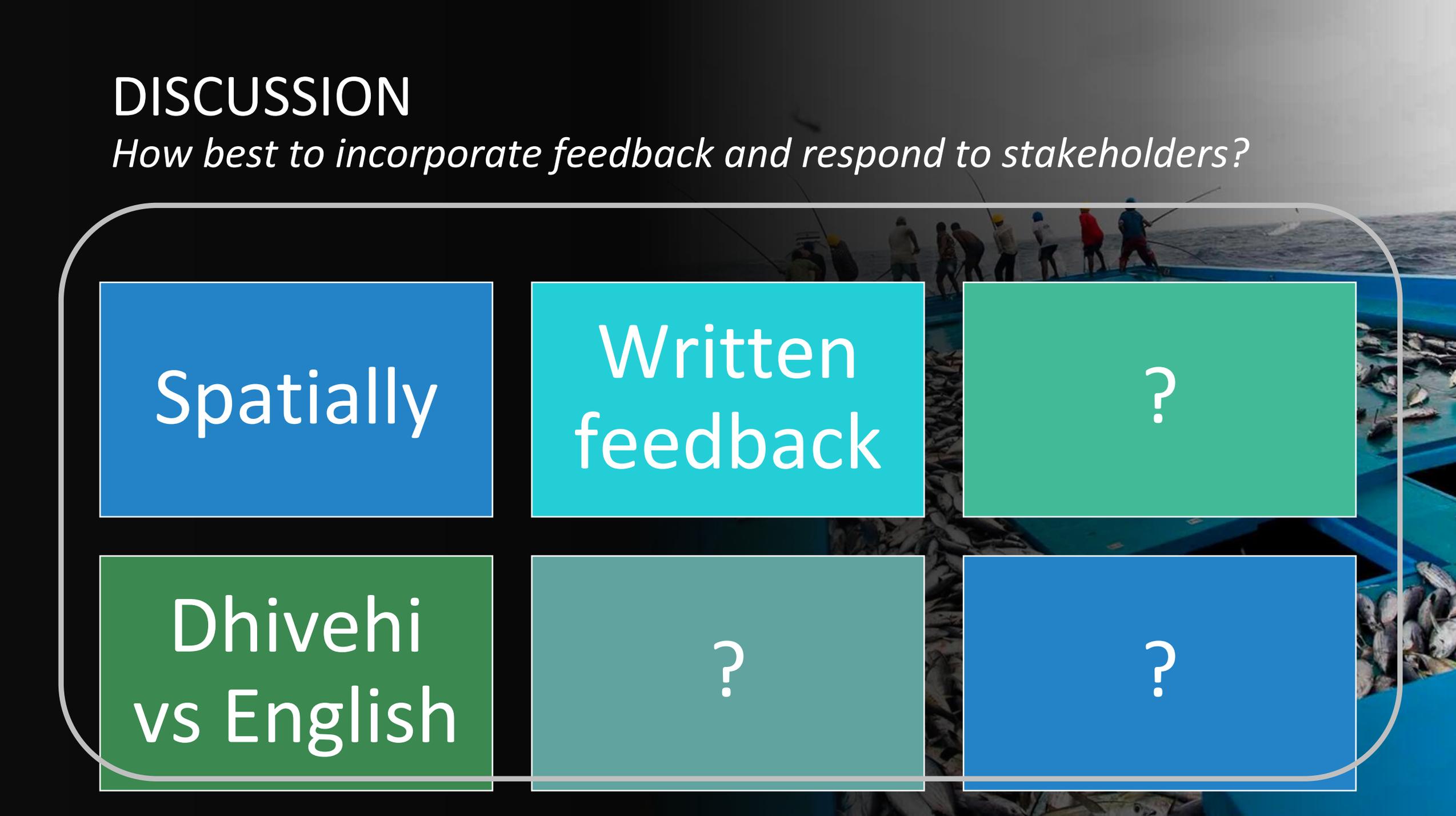
Written
feedback

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vs English

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DISCUSSION: NEXT MEETING TIME?

