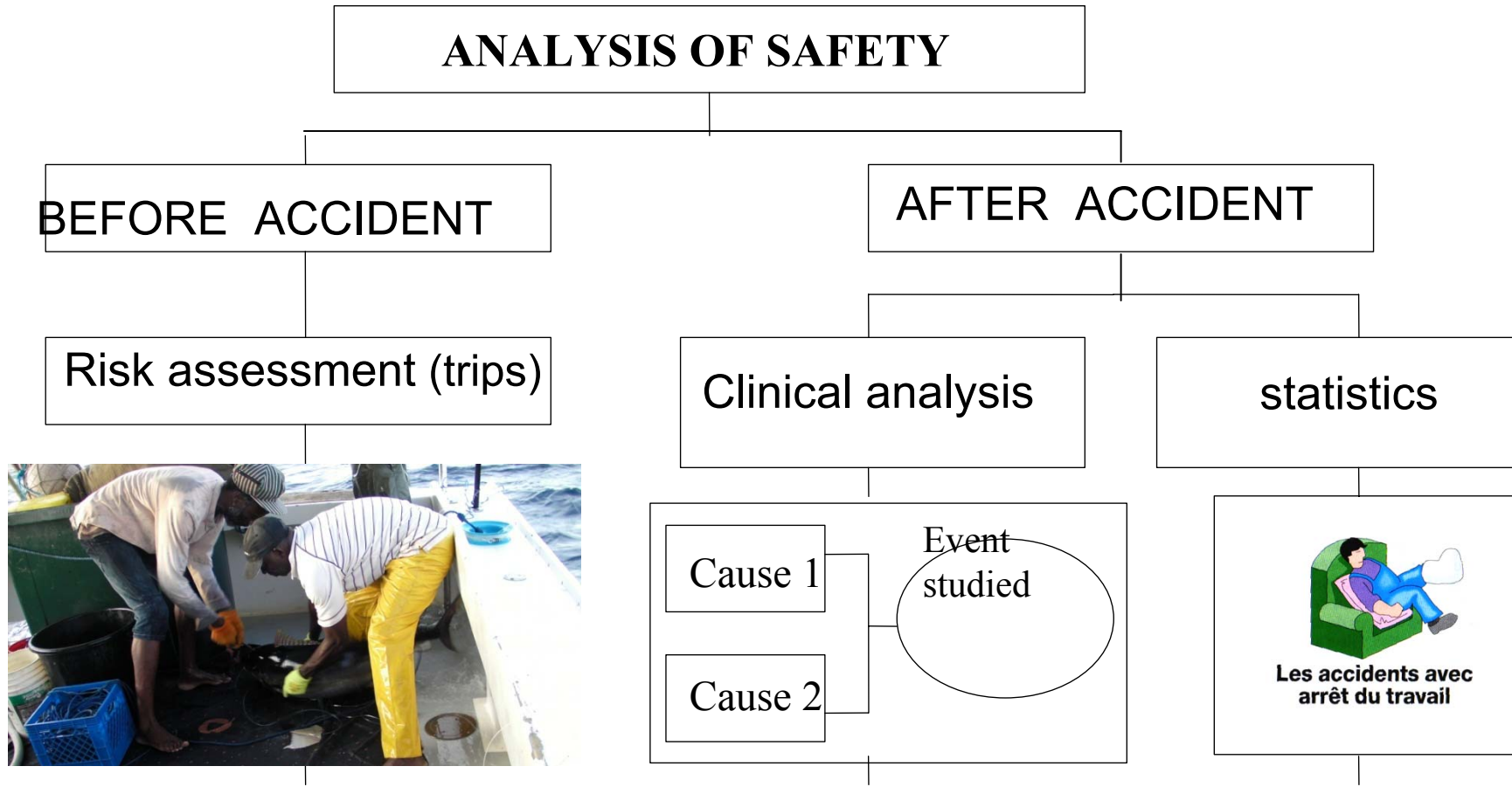


Health and safety at work on fishing vessels from Martinique and Guadeloupe islands using long lines around FAD's

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Proposals to improve working situations in terms of health/safety

The results can also be used for improvements in terms of working conditions, of productivity, of quality

Data from the maritime rescue coordination centre Guyana Antilles last 3 years

010 : Not any case recorded

011 : 2 injured rescued (scorpion fish sting, hook in the
hand) main)

012 : 1 person deceased: capsized

013 : 1 person deceased: quit fishing boat and felt unwell
and 1 person disappeared at sea: fall in sea

Data of the French Social System for seafarers (2011-2012-2013)

60 occupational accidents were registered

12 of them related to lines or long lines used

- 1 when handling the weight of a FADs ashore
- 8 when handling the catch at sea

3 after a strong effort

2 after a fall

3 cuts



Interviews with fishers

The long line is coming around the arm, the leg or the neck when there is a big catch”.

For fishers the most dangerous situation is not fishing but carrying FAD's (weight, head and rope in the yole)

Participated at 6 days at sea
with a crew of 3 at 250 km in
the West of Martinique



at of 8 m:2 trips of one
y With 1 and 2 men



RESULTS

Bigger boat and adaptation of the French regulation concerning the safety of fishing vessels

New boats with facilities but crew must accept to spend the week at sea.

for yôles: Establish collective FADs near the coast (prevention of bycatch in)

