**International Collective in Support of Fishworkers (ICSF) and Sustainable Development Foundation (SDF)**

**Asia Workshop:   
IYAFA 2022-Celebrating Sustainable and Equitable Small-scale Fisheries**

**5 to 8 May, 2022  
Mayfair Grand Ballroom, 11th Floor, Berkeley Hotel**

**Bangkok, Thailand**

**PROGRAMME**

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| **Day 1 Thursday | 5 May, 2022** | |
| 08.30 -9.30 | **Registration: SDF**  **Logistics:** Sivaja K Nair, Programme Executive, ICSF |
| 9. 30 - 11.00 | **Inaugural Session**  **Chair:** Maarten Bavinck, Chairperson, ICSF  **Welcome** (10 minutes)  Ravadee Prasertcharoensuk, Director, Sustainable Development Foundation, Thailand and Member, ICSF  **Inaugural Addresses** (20 minutes)  Dr Taworn Thunaji, Deputy Director General, Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Government of Thailand  Me Priya Yamthet, Chairperson, Thailand Association of the Federation of Fisherfolk  **Felicitation** (10 minutes)  Panitnard Weerawat, Senior Instructor, SEAFDEC  **Overview of the workshop** (30 minutes)  Sebastian Mathew, Executive Director, ICSF |
| 11.00 - 11.30 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 11.30 - 13.00 | **Introduction by participants (by country group)** |
| 13.00 - 14.00 | LUNCH |
| 14.00 - 14. 45 | **Session 1: Access for Small-scale Fishing Communities to resources**  Chair: V. Vivekanandan, Member, ICSF  Presentation by Maarten Bavinck, Chair, ICSF Board (30 minutes) |
| 14. 45- 16. 00 | **Group discussion: Access for Small-scale Fishing Communities to resources** |
| 16. 00- 16.15 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 16. 15 – 17.15 | Presentation of Group reports (10 minutes each)  Chair: : V. Vivekanandan, Member, ICSF  Discussion |
| 19.30 -21.30 | Special Dinner and Cultural Programme  11th Floor, Berkeley Hotel |
| **Day 2 Friday | 6 May 2022** | |
| 09.00 - 10.00 | **Session 2: Social Development for Sustainable Small-scale Fisheries, Food Security and Poverty Eradication**  Chair: Herman Kumara, National Convener-NAFSO, Sri Lanka  Presentation by: Sebastian Mathew, Executive Director, ICSF (30 minutes) |
| 11.00 - 11.30 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 11.30 - 13.30 | **Group discussion: Social Development for Sustainable Small-scale Fisheries, Food Security and Poverty Eradication[[1]](#footnote-1)** |
| 13.30-14.30 | LUNCH |
| 14.30-15.30 | Presentation of country wise Group Reports (10 minutes each)  Chair: Dani Setiawan, Chief Executive, Indonesian Traditional Fisherfolk Union (KNTI) |
| 15.30-16.00 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 16. 00- 17.00 | Discussion |
| **Day 3 Saturday | 7 May 2022** | |
| 9.00- 11.00 | **Session 3: Women and Gender in Small-scale Fisheries**  Chair: Elyse Mills, Programme Associate, ICSF  **Photo Sharing** (40 minutes)  Exhibition and discussion of photos contributed by participants, showing the role of women in fisheries in their community.  **Key Issues Faced by Women Fishers**  Presentation by Arlene Nietes Satapornvaint, Project Manager, RTI International, Thailand (30 minutes)  **Gender Issues in Post-harvest Fisheries**  Presentation by Kyoko Kusakabe, Professor, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand (30 minutes)  Discussion (20 minutes) |
| 11.00 - 11.15 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 11.15 - 13.00 | **Group Discussion: Key Issues Faced by Women in Fisheries [[2]](#footnote-2)** |
| 13.00 - 14.00 | LUNCH |
| 14.00 - 16.00 | **Panel Discussion: Solutions and Ways Forward for Improving Women’s Access to Resources and Participation**  Chair: Kyoko Kusakabe, Professor, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand  Panel: One woman representative from each country (60 minutes)[[3]](#footnote-3)  **Brainstorm: Developing an Action Plan** (60 minutes)  What key actions are needed to address the challenges facing women in fisheries? |
| 16.00 - 16.15 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 16.15 - 17.30 | **Concluding Remarks (5 minutes each)**  Chair: Madhuri Mondal, Programme Officer, Dakshin Foundation, India  One representative from each country |
| **Day 4 Sunday | 8 May 2022** | |
| 09.00 - 11.00 | **Presentation of Workshop Statement (Draft)**  Ravadee Prasertcharoensuk, Director, Sustainable Foundation, Thailand and Member, ICSF and Manas Roshan, Programme Officer, ICSF  Discussion |
| 11.00 - 11.30 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK |
| 11.30 – 13.30 | **Session 4: Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Framework for the SSF Guidelines**  Chair: Maarten Bavinck, Chairperson, ICSF  **Opening discussion – SSF Guidelines implementation by country** (20 minutes)  **Developing a MEL Framework – Rationale and process**  Presentation by Lena Westlund, International Fisheries Analyst, FAO (pre-recorded video, 15 minutes)  **Overview of the MEL structure and handbook**  Presentation by Elyse Mills, Programme Associate, ICSF (10 minutes)  **Group Discussion: Improving SSF Guidelines implementation** (60 minutes) |
| 13.30 - 14.30 | LUNCH |
| 14.30 -16.00 | **Presentation of Group reports** (5 minutes each)  Chair: Mohamad Abdi, National Coordinator, Destructive Fishing Watch, Indonesia  **Presentation of the Workshop Statement and Discussion** (60 minutes)  Chair: Saeed Baloch, General Secretary, Pakistan Fisherfolk Forum  Manas Roshan, Programme Officer, ICSF  Discussion |
| 16.00-16. 15 | **Vote of thanks:** Sivaja Nair, Programme Executive, ICSF |

**Annexure: Group Discussions**

**Group discussion 1 (Day 1): Access for Small-scale Fishing Communities to resources**

Questions for group discussion:

1. Do you enjoy tenure rights, individually and collectively, to housing and other land resources needed for your activities along the fisheries value chain? How can these rights be made more equitable and secure for both men and women?

2. Do you enjoy tenure rights to fishery resources, to the coast and riparian areas for men and women fishers and fish processors? Are they formal rights or traditional/indigenous/customary rights? Do tenure rights, for example, recognize the role of small-scale fishing communities to restore, conserve, protect and co-manage local aquatic and coastal ecosystems?

3. What kind of threats are facing fishing communities related to their access to land or water bodies? How are the tenure rights able to withstand and overcome these threats?

4. Are there effective mechanisms to resolve disputes over tenure rights and to ensure availability of remedies such as restitution, indemnity, just compensation and reparation?

*Group 1*: Cambodia, and Viet Nam (Coordinator: Than Thi Hien; Rapporteur: Senglong Youk)

*Group 2*: Bangladesh, Malaysia, and Myanmar (Coordinator: Muhammed Mujibul Haque Munir; Rapporteur: Azrilnizam Omar)

*Group 3*: Pakistan, India, and Sri Lanka (Coordinator: Pradip Chatterjee; Rapporteur: Ahilan Kadirgamar)

*Group 4*: Indonesia, and the Philippines (Coordinator: Dinna Umengan; Rapporteur: Dani Setiawan)

*Group 5*: Thailand (Coordinator: Varuntorn Kaewtankam; Rapporteur: Kesinee Kwaenjaroen)

**Group discussion 2 (Day 2): Social Development for Sustainable Small-scale Fisheries, Food Security and Poverty Eradication**

Questions for group discussion:

1. In your national or local context, do small-scale fishing communities, including women, men and children, have affordable (and adequate) access to health, education, housing, sanitation, drinking water and energy facilities and services, commensurate with that of other citizens? How can access to these facilities and services be improved? What role can be seen for fishing community organizations and fisheries administrations?
2. Do all members of small-scale fishing communities and all workers enjoy social security protection in the form of social assistance or social insurance schemes, both at the sectoral and universal (national) levels? Is there any discrimination against any segment, including women and migrant workers, during the implementation of these schemes?
3. Is there an increasing number of accidents at sea/freshwater bodies related to fishing? Are there safety issues, in the marine and inland fisheries context, arising from extreme weather events and climate change? How do you improve the overall safety of fishing operations in face of these threats?

Presentation of countrywise group discussion reports: Cambodia, Viet Nam, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Myanmar, Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, The Philippines, Thailand

**Group Discussion 3 (Day 3): Challenges Faced by Women in Fisheries**

Questions for group discussion (in country groups):

1. What are the major challenges faced by women in fisheries in your country in terms of access to: Resources, fishing craft and gear, post-harvest trade and markets, social security and healthcare, and leadership and participation in fishworkers’ organizations?

**Panel Discussion (Day 3): Solutions and Ways Forward for Improving Women’s Access to Resources and Participation**

Questions for panel discussion (women representatives from each country):

1. How have you been successful in addressing the challenges women in fisheries face?
2. How are women mobilizing and organizing?

**Group Discussion 4 (Day 4): Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Framework for the SSF Guidelines**

Questions for group discussion (in country groups):

1. How can SSF Guidelines implementation be improved in your country?

1. See Annexure for Group Discussion questions and pairings [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. See the Annexure for Group Discussion questions and pairing [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. See annexure for panel discussion questions. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)