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Theme

Commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication (SSF Guidelines) to advance priority actions for sustainable small-scale fisheries.

Background

The Small-Scale Fisheries (SSF) Summit 2024 is poised to be a pivotal event that seeks to transform from mere discussions to a collective endeavor, with a common objective: advancing the implementation of the SSF Guidelines. In recognition of the 10th anniversary of the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication ([SSF Guidelines](#)), this 2nd SSF Summit is dedicated to not only acknowledging this milestone, but also assessing the current status of the SSF Guidelines implementation at the national, regional and global level to inform future actions. It will serve as a global platform to collaboratively address governance and development challenges in small-scale fisheries while proposing and sharing solutions to foster and strengthen the implementation of the SSF Guidelines.

The SSF Summit will embrace the interconnected nature of the SSF Guidelines with other relevant international normative frameworks, addressing vital aspects such as social development, climate change, biodiversity, customary rights, and the contributions to food security and poverty eradication. The focus of the 2nd SSF Summit will be on chapter 5a – Responsible Governance of Tenure with a focus on Customary Tenure, and chapter 6 – Social development, employment and decent work, with a focus on social development. This is the result of a participatory consultation process with small-scale fishers, their organizations and/or representatives, and relevant stakeholders on what should be discussed at the 2nd Summit.

The SSF Summit serves primarily as a platform for small-scale fisheries movements, but also allows engaging with governments and other small-scale fisheries advocates in an accessible and non-technical forum, complementing the proceedings of the FAO Committee on Fisheries (COFI) as well as other relevant processes.

The 2nd SSF Summit builds on the 1st SSF Summit held on 2-4 September 2022 in Rome, Italy, on the occasion of the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture 2022 ([IYAFA 2022](#))¹. Attended by 145 participants from 47 countries (mainly small-scale fishers and stakeholders' representatives), the 2022 SSF Summit raised awareness on the role of small-scale fisheries, enabled discussions to strengthen interaction, empowered small-scale fisheries stakeholders to take action, and to build new and strengthen existing partnerships. It also advanced the visibility and uptake of the SSF Guidelines and required actions towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals ([SDGs](#)).

The 1st SSF Summit was made possible through the collaboration between the International Planning Committee for Food Sovereignty ([IPC](#)) Working Group on Fisheries, the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean ([GFCM](#)), the Small-Scale Fisheries Resource and Collaboration Hub ([SSF Hub](#)) and the technical support by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations ([FAO](#)). For the 2nd SSF Summit, SwedBio has joined the organizing committee. The 1st SSF Summit was held prior to the FAO

¹ See report here - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qzbDeFi6lBnYmd7J6onRTc68q4qTI6Hd/view?usp=sharing>

Committee on Fisheries (COFI) 35th Session on 5-9 September 2022, and some government representatives joined for its last day. The [COFI 35th Session](#) emphasized ‘*the unique opportunity to gather commitments and recommendations at a Summit on small-scale fisheries, which is encouraged to be held every two years prior to COFI, subject to resourcing, to sustain and inform continued support to the sub-sector*’.

Participants

Up to 300 people are expected to join the 2nd SSF Summit. These will be primarily representative of small-scale fisheries organizations and movements, but also inter-governmental organizations, NGOs and governments, taking into account regional, gender and age balance.

SSF Summit format

Following the previous edition, the 2nd SSF Summit 2022 will take place over the course of three days:

DAY 1 – Small-scale fisheries organizations and movements only (~150 people)

Opportunity for invited representatives of small-scale fisheries organizations from around the world, both IPC members and non-members, to meet and engage in dialogue.

DAY 2 - Open to other invitees

Shared plenary dedicated to commemorating the 10th anniversary of the SSF Guidelines, followed by parallel sessions and short presentations by selected participants, and an evening reception

DAY 3 – Open to other invitees

Parallel session, including interactive dialogue and Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries of the GFCM - mid-term review, followed by dialogue with governments, wrap up session and evening reception

In the parallel sessions the 2nd SSF Summit will also include sessions led by the GFCM dedicated to the mid-term review of the [Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea](#) (RPOA-SSF).

Interpretation will be made available in the plenary sessions in Arabic, English, French, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, and Turkish. Please refer to the agenda for details.



AGENDA

Day 1 – Friday 5 July 2024 (by specific invitation only)		
Moderator: Chief Gary Harrison, International Indian Treat Council (IITC)		
8:00	Registration	FAO visitor entrance
9:00	1 Opening remarks and introduction to the SSF Summit and the agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1 Welcome remarks by Nadine Nembhard, Caribbean Network of Fisherfolk Organizations (CNFO), Belize 1.2 10th Anniversary of the SSF Guidelines: a must to action by Gaoussou Gueye, African Confederation of Professional Organizations of Artisanal Fisheries (CAOPA), Senegal 	Red Room (Building A, 1 st Floor – A121int) English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Turkish
9:20	2 Contextualizing the SSF Summit in today's global context <i>Facilitation and introduction: Maira Netto, Movimento dos Pescadores e Pescadoras Artesanais do Brasil</i> <i>Panel Discussion:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1 Herman Kumara, National Fisheries Solidarity Organization (NAFSO), Sri Lanka 2.2 Josana Serrao Pinto, Movement of Fishermen and Fisherwomen (MPP), Brasil 2.3 Carmen Mannarino, Masifundise Development Trust, South Africa <i>Intervention from the floor (Q&A)</i>	
10:20	3 Mistica <i>Facilitation: Christiana Louwa, El Molo Forum, Kenya</i>	
10:30	Break	
11:00	4 Global dialogue on customary tenure rights and social development in small-scale fisheries <i>4.1 Presentation of the primary findings of global small-scale fisheries-led consultation on customary tenure rights in small scale fisheries by Lorena Ortiz, Confederation Mexicana de Cooperativas Pesqueras y Acuicolas (CONMECOOP), Mexico</i> <i>Panel Discussion: Experiences from the ground</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Azrilnizam Bin Omar, Inshore Fishermen Association for Education and Welfare (Jaring), Malaysia Margaret Nakato, Katosi Women Development Trust, Uganda <i>4.2 Presentation of the primary findings of global small-scale fisheries-led consultation on social development in small-scale fisheries by Sebastian Mathew, International Collective in Support of Fishworkers (ICSF), India</i> <i>Panel Discussion: Experiences from the ground</i>	Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Turkish

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Laitia Tamata, Pacific Community-Based Fisheries Representative</i> • <i>Aracelly Jimenez Mora, CoopeMoluscosChomes R.L, Costa Rica</i> 	
12:00	Lunch (FAO Restaurant, 8th Floor)	
14:00	<p>5 Global dialogue on customary tenure rights and social development in small-scale fisheries</p> <p><i>Regional working group sessions, with comments and Q&A to provide input and guidance based on regional key insights regarding customary tenure rights and social development</i></p>	<p>Red Room: Africa <i>Facilitators: Dawda Saine and Margaret Nakato</i> <i>English, French</i></p> <p>Ethiopia Room (C285): Latin America and the Caribbean <i>Facilitators: Vivienne Solis-Rivera, Aracelly Jimenez Mora, Lorena Ortiz and Beatriz Mesquita</i> <i>English, Portuguese, Spanish</i></p> <p>Iran Room (B116bis): Asia-Pacific <i>Facilitators: Azrilhizam Jaring, Pradip Chatterjee and Sebastian Mathews</i> <i>English</i></p> <p>Room in front of Iran Room (B116bis) <i>Chief Gary Harrison and Rochelle Diver</i> <i>English</i></p>
15:30	Break	
16:00	<p>6 Global dialogue on customary tenure rights and social development in small-scale fisheries</p> <p><i>This session will feature selected participants presenting key insights consolidated from regional working groups</i></p>	<p>Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int)</p> <p><i>English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Turkish</i></p>
17:00	<p>7 Wrap up and closing remarks</p>	<p>Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int)</p> <p><i>English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Turkish</i></p>

Day 2 – Saturday 6 July 2024		
Moderator: Raissa Nadege Leka Madou, Ivory Coast, CAOPA		
8:00	Registration	FAO visitor entrance
9:00	1 Introduction to the SSF Summit <i>Alieu Sowe, World Forum of Fish Harvesters & Fish Workers (WFF)</i>	Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) <i>Arabic, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Turkish</i>
9:20	2 Welcome remarks from FAO <i>Manuel Barange, Assistant Director General and Director, Fisheries and Aquaculture Division</i>	
9:25	3 Commemorating the 10th anniversary of the SSF Guidelines <i>Facilitation and introduction: John Kurien, Reflective Practitioner</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.1 John Kurien • 3.2 Nicole Franz, FAO • 3.3 Pablo Green, Kuna General Council, IITC, Panama • 3.4 Venu Gopa, ICSF, India 	
10:30 Break		
11:00	4 Commemorating the 10th anniversary of the SSF Guidelines: small-scale fisheries led-experiences <i>Facilitation: John Kurien, Reflective Practitioner</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.1 Antonia Adama Djalo, CAOPA, Guinea Bissau • 4.2 Zoila Bustamante, Confederation Nacional de Pescadores Artesanales de Chile (CONAPACH) • 4.3 Diana Vasquez, Rare-Central America, co-presenting with: Gavina Tumbaga, Municipal Fisherfolk and representative of the Aquatic Resources Management Council, Philippines • 4.4 Hugh Govan, Adjunct Senior Fellow, University of the South Pacific • 4.5 Anna Carlson, Fishery Officer, General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) 	Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) <i>Arabic, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Turkish</i>
12:00	5 Summary report from Day 1 <i>Djalikatou Cherif Haïdara, CAOPA, Guinea</i>	
12: 30 Lunch		
14:00 – 15:30	6 Strengthening small-scale fisheries: Customary tenure rights and social development in the context of Food Sovereignty <i>Facilitation: Hanna Wetterstrand, SwedBio</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6.1 Michael Fakhry, Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food • 6.2 Rehema Namaganda, FIAN Uganda • 6.3 Zainal Arfin, Indonesian Paesant Union (SPI), La Via Campesina, IPC • 6.4 Jesu Rethinam, Social Need Education and Human 	Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) <i>Arabic, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Turkish</i>

	<p><i>Awarenesss (SNEHA), India</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6.5 <i>Vivienne Solis Rivera, CoopeSoliDar R.L., Costa Rica</i> 6.6 <i>Anaru Fraser, IITC, Aotearoa, New Zealand</i> 6.7 <i>Elisa Morgera, UN Special Rapporteur of Climate Change (wrap-up)</i> <p><i>Reflections from the audience</i></p>	
15:30	Break	
16:00	<p>7 Parallel sessions: Focus on i) Customary tenure rights and ii) Social development</p>	<p>Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) <i>Facilitators: Azrilizam Jaring, Pradip Chatterjee and Sebastian Mathew</i> English</p> <p>Ethiopia Room (C285) <i>Facilitators: Joelle Phillipie and Virginie Lagarde</i> French</p> <p>Iran Room (B116 bis) <i>Facilitators: Vivienne Solis-Rivera, Aracelly Jimenez Mora and Lorena Ortiz</i> Spanish</p> <p>Lebanon Room (D209) <i>Facilitators: Josana, Maira and Beatriz Mesquita</i> Portuguese and Spanish</p> <p>Malaysia Room (B227) <i>Facilitators: Rochelle Diver and Margaret Nakato</i> English</p>
	<p>8 Parallel session: Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries of the GFCM - mid-term event</p> <p>Taking stock of progress in RPOA-SSF implementation</p> <p><i>GFCM and WWF</i></p>	<p>Sheikh Zayed Center (Atrium) <i>Arabic, English, French, Italian, Spanish and Turkish</i></p>
17:30 Move back to Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int)		
18:00	<p>9 Meet the participants – informal opportunity to learn about some work</p> <p><i>Facilitation: Raissa Nadege Leka Madou, CAOPA</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.1 <i>Oak Foundation SSF Strategy Evaluation Update, Imani Fairweather Morrison, Programme Officer, Oak Foundation, with Tanya Mahadwar, CEA Consulting</i> 9.2 <i>Turning the Tide toward more equitable flow of funding, Pip Cohen, Co-Director, Turning Tides</i> 9.3 <i>A global map of organizations working with small-scale fisheries, Marina Gomei, Senior Programme Manager, World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)</i> 	<p>Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) English</p>
19:00	Dinner – 8 th Floor	

Day 3 – Sunday 7 July 2024**Moderator: Alejandro Bravo Avalos, WFF, Perú**

9:00

1 Collective reflection on how the SSF Summit can support the SSF Guidelines implementation

- 1.1 Adam Woldenden, Pacific Network on Globalisation (PANG)
- 1.2 Vivienne Solis Rivera, CoopeSoliDar, Costa Rica
- 1.3 Herman Kumara, IPC Regional Advisory Group, Asia
- 1.4 Namadoa Okelo, AFRIFISHNET
- 1.5 Marta Machazek, ULAPA, Panama
- 1.6 Lazaro Mecha Barahona, Network of Responsible Fishing Marine Areas (Red de Áreas Marinas de Pesca Responsable), Panama
- 1.7 Philile Mbatha, Deputy Director, One Ocean Hub (OOH), University of Strathclyde, UK
- 1.8 Elena Finkbeiner, Conservation International (CI)

Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int) - TBC

*English, French, Spanish, Portuguese***2 Parallel session: Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries of the GFCM - mid-term event**

Consolidating a common vision for the future of RPOA-SSF
GFCM

Sheik Zayed Center (Atrium)

Arabic, English, French, Spanish, Turkish and Italian

10:30

Break

11:00

3 Parallel Sessions for Regional working groups**Collective reflection on how the SSF Summit can support the SSF Guidelines implementation**

Red Room: Latin America and the Caribbean

Facilitators: Vivienne Solis-Rivera, Marta Machazek and Lazaro Mecha Barahona, supported by Cris Villanueva
Spanish, English, Portuguese

Ethiopia Room (C285): Africa
Facilitators: Margaret Nakato and Namadoa Okela, supported by Velia Lucidi
English, French

Iran Room (B116bis): Asia-Pacific
Facilitators: Herman Kumara, Azril supported by Hanna
English

In front of Iran room (B116bis):
North America and Europe
English

4 Parallel session: Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries of the GFCM - mid-term review

Consolidating a common vision for the future of RPOA-SSF
GFCM

Sheik Zayed Center (Atrium)

Arabic, English, French, Spanish, Turkish and Italian

12:30

Lunch

14:00

5 How can the SSF Summit inform governments?

Moderated dialogue between small-scale fisheries representatives and invited government and intergovernmental organization

Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int)

Arabic, English, French, Spanish,

	<p>representatives</p> <p><i>Facilitation: Nicole Franz, FAO</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>5.1 Recap of key insights so far, Mitchel Lay, CNFO</i> • <i>5.2 Dani Setiawan, Indonesia Traditional Fishers Association (KNTI)</i> • <i>5.3 Drusila Bayate, Undersecretary for Fisheries, Department of Agriculture, Republic of the Philippines</i> • <i>5.4 Sara Ester Garrido Cortes (WFF), Chile</i> • <i>5.5 Government representative, Chile, tbc</i> • <i>5.6 Josana Pinto da Costa, Movimento dos Pescadores e Pescadoras Artesanais do Brasil</i> • <i>5.7 Cristiano Ramalho, National Secretary of Artisanal Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Brazil</i> • <i>5.8 Editrudith Lukanga, AWFISHNET, United Republic of Tanzania</i> • <i>5.9 Lilian Ibengwe, Principal Fisheries Officer, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania</i> • <i>5.10 Tavita Faletose, Pacific Community-based Fisheries representative</i> • <i>5.11 Watisoni Lalavanua, Community-based Fisheries Advisor, The Pacific Community (SPC)</i> • <i>5.12 Small-scale fisheries representative from the GFCM area, tbc</i> • <i>5.13 Emmanuel Berck, Acting Head of Unit “Fisheries management Mediterranean and Black Sea” (DG MARE), European Commission</i> 	<i>Portuguese, Italian and Turkish</i>
15:30	Break	
16:00	6 Wrapping up	<p>Red Room (Building A, 1st Floor – A121int)</p> <p><i>Arabic, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and Turkish</i></p>
17:15	7 Mistica	
18:00	Dinner – 8 th Floor	

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