

Workshop

European Small-Scale Fisheries: Challenges in the 21st Century

9-11 July, 2014, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain

Workshop Announcement and Call for Contribution

The Institute of Social and Political Sciences of the University of La Laguna and Too Big To Ignore (TBTI) are pleased to announce a workshop on '**European Small-Scale Fisheries: Challenges in the 21st Century**', to be held on 9-11 July, 2014 in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain. TBTI is a research network and knowledge mobilization partnership established to rectify the marginalization of small-scale fisheries (SSF) in national and international policies. TBTI also aims to develop research and governance capacity to address global fisheries challenges. The workshop is part of the TBTI activities in Europe led by Dr. Jose Pascual-Fernandez, University of La Laguna, Spain and Dr. Maarten Bavinck, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

The purpose of the workshop is to share and discuss the current knowledge about SSF in Europe and explore options and opportunities for SSF in the context of the new Common Fisheries Policy. It is an opportunity for researchers and practitioners familiar with SSF in various parts of Europe to build network and discuss capacity development to address issues affecting sustainability of SSF in the region. The workshop is a follow-up from the discussion at the MARE Policy Day, held in June 2013, and some initial research done by TBTI (see research brief for SSF Europe <http://toobigtoignore.net/?p=2356>).

The workshop is open to anyone interested in the topic, especially those interested in contributing to a TBTI edited book volume about SSF in Europe, as well as those interested in building local research and governance capacity for fishers, fishers organizations and fishing communities. Please note that there will be no registration fee to attend the workshop but that all expenses related to workshop participation (travels, meals, accommodation, etc.) must be covered by participants themselves. We are arranging convenient agreements with hotels for obtaining good prices and conditions. For any meals organized by us, we may ask for some contribution from participants, at nominal cost. The workshop agenda and other logistical information will be sent to registered participants prior to the meeting.

If you are interested in attending the workshop, please submit a completed registration form (attached) and send it to tbtieurope@gmail.com no later than **May 18th 2014**. In case the number of interested participants exceeds the available space, there may be selection of attendants, to achieve a good balance between practitioners and scientists from across Europe. Preference will be given, however, to those expressed interests early. The admittance will be communicated before June 1st. Please send us email if you require further information about the workshop.