



TBTI News and Updates, December 2015



1) TBTI clusters – we need your help!

To help enhance our knowledge about small-scale fisheries, we have developed short surveys to capture information about the following topics. Note that submission deadlines have all been moved to **January 31, 2016**.

Please help us by completing these surveys!

a) *Impacts of SSF fishing gear vs. contribution to stewardship*

The 'SSF Stewardship' cluster is conducting a rapid assessment of SSF gear impact on bycatch and habitat in order to provide a global assessment between small-scale fishing gears. To complete the short survey, please visit:

<http://toobigtoignore.net/research-cluster/ssf-stewardship/>.

b) *Documenting stakeholders' values of SSF*

The 'Diverse SSF Values' cluster is conducting a rapid assessment of SSF values in order to catalogue how stakeholders value SSF. To complete the short survey, please visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/research-cluster/diverse-ssf-values/>.

c) *Understanding the economic viability of SSF*

The 'Economic Viability' cluster is calling for an economic viability assessment in order to directly compare certain attributes with large-scale fisheries. To complete the short survey, please visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/research-cluster/economic-viability/>.

d) *Exploring fish consumption*

The 'Fish-as-Food' cluster is calling for a rapid assessment of fish consumption in order to better understand the importance of fish-as-food. To complete the short survey, please visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/research-cluster/fish-as-food/>.



e) *Exploring how small-scale fishing communities respond to change*

The 'Global Change Response' cluster is calling for a rapid assessment' of global change responses in small-scale fishing communities. The cluster is also conducting an in-depth analysis about this issue using an integrated assessment framework known as I-ADApT. To contribute to these two calls, visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/research-cluster/global-change-responses/>.

If you are interested in joining the research cluster(s), please visit <http://toobigtoignore.net/research-cluster/>.



2) **The Information System on Small-scale Fisheries (ISSF)**

a) **Deadline to participate in the SSF Profile 'Country' Competition moved to February 29th, 2016**

We are calling for TBTI members to collaboratively create as many SSF profiles in their country as possible. The number of profiles completed, in addition to the work involved in their completion, will be considered when deciding a winner. All participating countries will be put on the priority list for 'capacity development workshop', which we will conduct in 2016. For more information about this competition, visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/ssf-profile-country-competition/>.



b) **New ISSF updates**

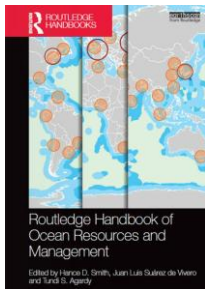
In order to enhance the accessibility of ISSF and increase the number of 'SSF Profiles', '**20 Questions about SSF**' are now offered in four different languages: English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish. The forms are available for download at <https://dory.creat.mun.ca/>.

ISSF has also launched a new 'help' page that will provide users with the help and guidance they need to make full use of what ISSF has to offer. The page includes 'Tips', 'FAQs' section and a series of tutorial videos, all meant to enhance user experience and provide a more 'hands on' learning experience within ISSF.



3) TBTI Symposium on European Small-Scale Fisheries and Global Linkages: Announcement and call for abstracts

[‘TBTI Symposium on Small-Scale Fisheries in Europe and Global Linkages’](http://toobigtoignore.net/tbti-symposium-on-european-small-scale-fisheries-and-global-linkages/) is now calling for abstracts. The symposium will be held on June 29 -July 1, 2016 in Tenerife, Spain. The purpose of the symposium is to share and discuss issues affecting the sustainability of SSF in Europe and explore linkages to global SSF, especially through markets and stewardship efforts. **The deadline for abstract submission is February 15, 2016.** For more information, visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/tbti-symposium-on-european-small-scale-fisheries-and-global-linkages/>.

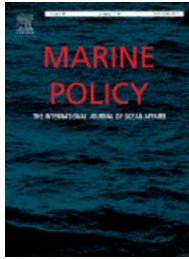


4) New publications by TBTI members

- a) Ratana Chuenpagdee and Svein Jentoft have recently published a book chapter titled **[‘Rethinking small-scale fisheries governance’](https://www.routledge.com/products/9780415531757)**. The authors argue that fisheries differ with and beyond scale and that fisheries governance must correspond with the specificities of a particular fishery. The chapter is part of the **[‘Routledge Handbook of Ocean Resources and Management’](https://www.routledge.com/products/9780415531757)**, edited by Hance D. Smith, Juan Luis Suárez de Vivero, Tundi S. Agardy. For more information, visit: <https://www.routledge.com/products/9780415531757>.



- b) Suvaluck Satumanatpan and Ratana Chuenpagdee have published an article titled **[‘Assessing governability of environmental protected areas in Phetchaburi and Prachuap Kirikhan, Thailand’](http://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s40152-015-0035-8)**. Their article examined factors affecting the implementation of the EPAs program in southern Thailand, suggesting that the EPA should be situated in a broader context of land and marine spatial planning and be attuned to existing policies that enable collaboration. For more information about the article, visit: <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s40152-015-0035-8>.



- c) **'The Special Section on Neoliberalism and North American Small-Scale Fisheries'**, Marine Policy (Vol. 61), guest edited by Evelyn Pinkerton and Reade Davis is now available in a print copy. To find out more about the 13 articles that are part of this special issue, visit: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/0308597X/61>



5) Other News & Announcements

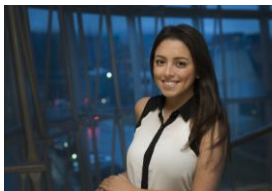
a) World Fisheries Day, November 21, 2015

This year, TBTI organized a **'Word Fisheries Day'** public event to showcase the work done within the project and bring the spotlight onto the SSF. To see the highlights from the event, visit: <http://toobigtoignore.net/tbti-celebrated-world-fisheries-day-november-21-2015/>.



b) The IMBER ClimEco5 summer school now accepting applications

'The IMBER ClimEco5 – Towards more resilient oceans: Predicting and projecting future changes in the ocean and their impacts on human societies' will be held in Natal, Brazil from 10-17 August, 2016. ClimEco5 is inviting students and early career researchers working on global change issues, and interested in working at the interface of human and natural systems to apply to attend. For more information, visit: <http://www.imber.info/index.php/Early-Career/IMBER-Summer-Schools/ClimEco5-August-2016-Natal-Brazil>.



c) Congratulations

We would like to congratulate TBTI Master's student Mirella Leis for the successful completion of her Master's degree. Her thesis is titled **'Implementation of marine protected areas as a governability challenge in Southern Brazil'**. Mirella was studying at Memorial University under the supervision of Prof. Ratana Chuenpagdee, Prof. Rodolphe Devillers and Prof. Rodrigo Pereira Medeiros.



6) Happy Holidays

TBTI wishes everyone a wonderful holiday season and an exciting and successful New Year! We would also like to express our gratitude to all our partners, members and friends for their continuous support of TBTI and for their efforts towards elevating the profile of SSF.

If you have any comments or feedback you would like to share with us, send us an email to toobigtoignore@mun.ca. We also encourage you to visit our [website](#) to find out more about the project and how to engage.

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