

TBTI News and Updates June 2016



1) New TBTI cluster on SSF Rights!

The newly launched 'SSF Rights' research cluster is accepting membership! Please visit the <u>cluster page</u> on the TBTI website for more details about the cluster and how to participate.



2) Tell us about your 'Experiences' and 'Case Studies' in SSF

Information System on Small-scale Fisheries (ISSF) has launched two new layers: 'Experiences' and 'Case Studies'. If you have stories, know of situations and have experienced something in SSF that you would like others to know, share it in the 'Experience' layer of ISSF. Contribution can be in the form of video, photo or text. You can also share the specific case study information on SSF on the new 'Case Studies' layer.

For more information about these and other ISSF updates, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.



3) Join TBTI activities this summer in three locations

a) TBTI Symposium on European Small-Scale Fisheries and Global Linkages, in Tenerife, June 29-July 1

Tentative program for the 'TBTI Symposium on Small-Scale Fisheries in Europe and Global Linkages' is now available online. Join us on June 29th-July 1st, 2016 in Tenerife, Spain to share and discuss issues affecting the sustainability of SSF in Europe and explore linkages to global SSF. The registration is still open.

b) 'Stewardship in small-scale fisheries' workshop, in St. John's, July 29-30

The 'SSF Stewardship' cluster is organizing a workshop to share information about stewardship activities involving small-scale fishing people in various parts of the world, as well as to synthesize knowledge about impacts of SSF and



discuss how best to address these issues.

If you are attending the IMCC4, why not come early and join the discussion on stewardship in SSF? For more information about the workshop, click here.

c) TBTI Symposium on small-scale fisheries in Asia-Pacific region, near Bangkok, August 7-9

TBTI is organizing a three-day symposium to focus on aspects of SSF that are relevant for the Asia- Pacific region, with special emphasis on <u>Inland Fisheries</u> and <u>Fish as Food</u> clusters of TBTI. The symposium is an opportunity to develop a research agenda and capacity development program needed for promoting sustainable SSF and for the implementation of <u>the SFF Guidelines</u> in the region and elsewhere. For more information about the TBTI symposium, <u>click here</u>.



4) Do you know SSF that are affected by changes in small pelagic fisheries? Call for case studies

TBTI 'Global Change Responses' cluster is calling for case studies about small-scale small pelagic fisheries, for a journal special issue aiming to enhance understanding about the susceptibility of these fisheries to global changes. **Submission deadline has been extended until June 30th, 2016.** To find out more about the call and how to contribute, click here.

TBTI is also conducting a rapid assessment of how SSF respond to global change. To find out more about how to contribute, click here.

The 'Global Change Responses' cluster will soon announce a new call on the topic so be sure to check the <u>website</u> for the updates.



5) Big questions in SSF require a lot of people to help answer!

Have you ever wondered how important SSF are to the world or how viable they are economically? TBTI is grappling with these big questions, which cannot be answered by a handful of researchers but by everyone knowledgeable about SSF.

If you are familiar with any type of SSF anywhere in the world, and think you have the answers, please complete these surveys.



- On 'Values and importance of SSF'
- On 'SSF Economic Viability'

Contributors will be invited to participate in future workshops on these topics, and will be placed in the priority list for travel funding assistance, on the first-come, first-serve basis.

More information about these workshops will soon be available.



6) Next TBTI webinar on 'Market Opportunities and SSF in Europe'

The upcoming TBTI webinar, titled 'Market strategies for small-scale fisheries & Challenges for small-scale fisheries in Europe' is scheduled for **Friday**, **July 1**st **at noon Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).** The presenters are Jose Pascual Fernandez, TBTI cluster coordinator, University of La Laguna, Spain; Cristina Pita, TBTI cluster coordinator, University of Aveiro, Portugal; and Jeremy Percy, Executive Director of the Low Impact Fishers of Europe, UK. More information on how to participate in the webinar is available on our website.



7) Call for ideas for the upcoming webinars

If you would like to recommend a topic or a speaker for the upcoming TBTI webinars, please send your suggestion to toobigtoignore@mun.ca.

A complete list of past webinars, including the video recordings, can be found <u>here</u>.



8) Fish-as-Food: Online poll

As part of the 'Fish-as-Food' research cluster, which explores the access, availability, and affordability of fish-as-food, TBTI is conducting a poll. We are asking a simple but important question: 'How often do you eat fish?'.

The current results of the poll show that most of the respondents eat fish once a week (55%), followed by 18% who said they eat fish once a month.

The poll is open until August so be sure to visit our website and



cast your vote.



9) New publications by TBTI and members

Article: The case of the Norwegian Barents Sea cod fishery

The article 'Causes and consequences of fleet diversity in fisheries: The case of the Norwegian Barents Sea cod fishery', written by Arne Eide explores a simulation model of the Northeast Arctic cod fishery. The article examines how a vessels ability to find fish influences fleet diversity, profitability, stock development, and profiles of the fishery.



10) TBTI activities report

a) TBTI at the 7th World Fisheries Congress, Busan, 23-27 May, 2016

A number of TBTI members participated at the 7th World Fisheries Congress, themed 'Challenge to Sustainable Fisheries and Safe Seafoods'. The congress was an opportunity to gauge wider trends in world's fisheries research. In that respect, it was possible to observe a noticeable presence of SSF in the conference program and in many of the presentations. A summary of highlights composed by Andrew Song, one the 'Inland Fisheries' cluster coordinators, is available hemes/reserved-new-members/



b) TBTI participated at the 5th Marine Science Conference, Bangkok, June 1-3, 2016

Several TBTI members, including Ratana Chuenpagdee, TBTI Project Director and Wichin Suebpala, TBTI Research Fellow, presented at the **5th Marine Science Conference** in Thailand. The conference was hosted by the Marine Science Association of Thailand, the president of which is TBTI member, Dr. Thamasak Yeemin, Ramkhamheang University. To read Wichin's reflection on the kind of SSF discussed at the conference, <u>click here</u>.





c) A journey to the land of cod

Meike Brauer and Sarah Pötter, two visiting undergraduate students from Van Hall Larenstein University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands spent several months studying the opportunities and challenges of the <u>SSF Guidelines</u> in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador, under the supervision of Professors Gabriela Sabau and Ratana Chuenpagdee. To read about their experiences of doing research in Newfoundland and Labrador, <u>click here</u>.

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 <u>website</u> to find out more about the project and how to engage.

Vesna Kerezi TBTI Assistant Coordinator toobigtoignore@mun.ca