Fish, Forks and Finance: The Importance of Wild Fisheries to Food and Job Security

Webinar Chat Transcript

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Agrilinks: Hello everyone joining- we are still doing some testing. We encourage you to join back closer to start time, in about 15 minutes!

Anne Haynes: Hi! Best wishes! We are gathering here in Arlington to watch.

Agrilinks: Wonderful! Glad to know we have the Rare team online!

Agrilinks: And Welcome to everyone else who is joining! We will begin in approximately 20/25 minutes.

Agrilinks: In the meantime, please introduce yourselves, your organizations, and where you are joining us from!

Daniel Ocom: Hi I am happy to be able to join the Webinar here in Northern Bahr el Ghazal South Sudan. You are loud and clear so I hope to be able follow everything to the end.

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Daniel!

Zachary, USAID/DC: Zachary Baquet with USAID joining from DC

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Dick Tinsley: Dick Tinsley, Colorado State University

Agrilinks: Welcome again everyone! As you join us, please introduce yourself!

Charlotte Block: ACDI/VOCA in DC. Good morning.

Agrilinks: We are happy to have a great set of speakers and are expecting a great discussion!

Tim Danz: Greetings! from Food for the Hungry in Bangladesh.

Kathleen Flower: Hello from Mozambique!

Ratana Chuenpagdee: Hi everyone, this is Ratana from Too Big To Ignore

Dick Tinsley: thanks for the music background

Agrilinks: Glad you like it! It means your audio is 100% good to go!

Agrilinks: Looks like we have a global audience today--- do share with us your interest in fisheries!

Peter Hobby: Peter Hobby here - from KDAD in DC - excited to catch up on fisheries work!

Dick Tinsley: as you know i have be advocating for that for some time


Moenieba Isaacs: Hi, Moenieba Isaacs from South Africa

Diane Russell: Diane Russell here. Very excited about this webinar!

Nicole Franz: Hi - Nicole from FAO in Rome. I can't hear anything though!

Catherine Courtney: Kitty Courtney here from Tetra Tech in Honolulu

Claire Dawson: Claire Dawson here, from UW in Seattle! Very exciting to listen in today

Marie Veyrier: Marie Veyrier from Datu Research, in North Carolina. Hello everyone!
Salina Janzan: Hello from London!

Stephen Gudz: Greetings from Somalia!

Vincent Potier: Hi everyone, Vincent here, from Australia, very happy to join this webinar.

Finley Austin: Embarking on the next phase of my life and looking to learn.

Maria Jose Barragan: Hello! I'm Maria Jose Barragan, from TBTI-Univ. La Laguna, Tenerife.

Ken Hasson: Howdy from Ken Hasson here in Mozambique.

Jean Marie Kouassi: Jean Marie Kouassi from the African Diaspora Global Initiative.

Claire Dawson: Listening in from the School of Marine and Environmental Affairs at UW.

Victor Pinga: Victor Pinga from SPRING. I'm interested to hear about nutrition linkages here, specifically fish and fish products for complementary feeding esp. for children under 2 years of age... if on the agenda at all. Thank you.

Jim Tarrant: I usually like mine pan fried or poached in white wine.

Agrilinks: Welcome again, everyone!

Amy Gambrill: Amy Gambrill from Measuring Impact.

Alex Atkinson: Hello! This is Alex Atkinson calling in from Silver Spring, Maryland.

Agrilinks: We will start in just a few minutes to allow for more people to join us!

Dana James: Hi! I'm Dana James, a KM Specialist with the Feed the Future Knowledge-Driven Agricultural Development project.

Natalie Bailey: Hey y'all - Natalie Bailey from USAID's Forestry & Biodiversity Office in DC.

Jim Tarrant: Jim Tarrant, Chief of Party for the BRIDGE Project (integrating biodiversity conservation with other sectors).

Ann Mooney: Hi everyone, Ann Mooney with the NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program.

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Natalie and Jim!

Jim Tarrant: Hi Zachary.

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Ann! Where are you joining from?

Patrick Moran: Hello all. Patrick Moran with the NOAA Fisheries Office of International Affairs and Seafood Inspection.

Katie Fiorella: Hi All, Katie Fiorella with Cornell University's Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future.

Diane Russell: Hadas Kushnir, Scott Lampman, Heidi Schuttenberg and Diane Russell are here together!

Anna Kilponen: Hello everyone! This is Anna from Conservation International's Ocean Health Index, Arlington, VA.

Agrilinks: Thank you everyone for joining. We see that a number of webinar participants are coming from all over the world! We will start in just a couple of minutes. Any questions posed to the presenters will be asked
during the Q&A session, so please keep them coming. You can also start individual chats by hovering over someone's name and clicking "start private chat"). Please note, if you have any technical issues please start a private chat with the "AV Tech" so that those without technical difficulties may engage on content of the presentation using the main chat box.

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Hi Diane! Webinar viewing party. Great!

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Welcome Patrick and Katie. Thank you for joining!

**Diane Russell:** With treats! Join us in 3.07.1 anyone who wants!

**Agrilinks:** We are just starting in about 1 minute!

**Ashok Kumar:** Hi everybody - This is Ashok from Pakistan

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** If you have audio issues, please private chat KDAD AV Tech

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Barbara Best with USAID is speaking now

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Hi Ashok! Thank you for joining us this evening!

**Agrilinks:** Rob is now giving an overview. If you have tech issues, please private chat KDAD AV Tech.

**Karen Pannocchia:** hello from Dominican Republic

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Welcome Karen!

**Agrilinks:** This is a powerful graph.

**Agrilinks:** Also, please remember you may ask questions throughout using this chat box. We will note them down and get to as many as possible.

**Biniam Iyob:** Biniam Iyob from USAID/BFS/Washington joining

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** You can download today's presentation from the downloads window to your left

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Hi Biniam!

**Paolo Domondon:** Hello from Rare Philippines : )

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** If you are just joining us, please introduce yourself and let us know where you are joining us from.

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Welcome Paolo!

**Bapu Vaitla:** Hello all, Bapu Vaitla from Harvard School of Public Health

**Dick Tinsley:** do you count fish that have been processed into such things as Vietnamese Fish /sauce with its 26% protein content?

**Zachary, USAID/DC:** Hi Bapu! Glad you could join us today!

**Peter Limbu:** Hi everyone, this is Limbu Peter (TNC, in Lake Tanganyika - Tanzania)

**Stephanie Wessels:** Hello! Stephanie from Fintrac in the Virgin Islands. Nice to be here today.

**Agrilinks:** Most important message? We can affect change! Fisheries management is a key to getting sustainable production.
Zachary, USAID/DC: Thanks for joining us Stephanie and Limbu!


Agrilinks: Thanks, Dana!

Dana James: You're welcome!

Jason Blackburn: http://www.seaaroundus.org/

Peter Limbu: Thanks

Karen Ziffer: This report is much needed. Thank you!

Zachary, USAID/DC: You can find the link to the Fishing for Food Security brief in the links window to the left.

Santiago Laserna: Hi, this is Santiago from Bolivia. I'm currently working in the Amazon Fish for Food Project financed by IDRC-CIFSRF.

Daniel Ocom: Wild fish production here in South Sudan is affected by the fact that the activity is seasonal as it is carried out rivers which flood during the rain season and disappear immediately the dry seasons sets in. This affects the livelihoods of those that depend of fishing as their main source of livelihood. How can this challenge be addressed?

Zachary, USAID/DC: Welcome Santiago! Thank you for joining us today!

Ashok Kumar: Great and very useful information

Amelia Hood: Hi, this is Amelia from the Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics. I work on the Global Food Ethics project.

Zachary, USAID/DC: Welcome Amelia!

Natalie Bailey: FYI, I'm tweeting highlights from @USAIDEnviro!

Agrilinks: Thanks Natalie! Please make sure to tag #Agrilinks and #AgEvents!

Natalie Bailey: Will do!

Zachary, USAID/DC: @Daniel, thank you for your question.

Zachary, USAID/DC: If you have questions or experiences, please share them in the chat box!

Dick Tinsley: What is RARE?

Zachary, USAID/DC: If you have questions or experiences, please share them in the chat box!

Jim Tarrant: It's not clear (to me) if we are talking about freshwater and marine fisheries or just marine fisheries.

nina Schlossman: what is BAU on the slide?

Dana James: business as usual

Jim Tarrant: BAU = Business as Usual

John Russell: John Russell, Principal and Eco Food Systems in Bend, Oregon, USA
nina Schlossman: thanks!

Cornelio Delgado: Cornelio Delgado, Director of Local Content Initiatives, Lundin Foundation

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi John!

Agrilinks: Jim- it is mostly about marine but the same principles apply.

fred Opuni-Mensah: Fred, ADRA International

Zachary, USAID/DC: Welcome Cornelio and Fred!

fred Opuni-Mensah: thanks

Zachary, USAID/DC: @Dick here is the link to the Rare website http://www.rare.org/

Kiersten Johnson: Hi - Kiersten Johnson, M&E Advisor with USAID/BFS - thanks for such an important presentation.

Nayna Jhaveri: HI all – this is Nayna with the USAID supported Tenure and Global Climate Change Program. Is this PowerPoint file available to download?

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Kiersten! Thanks for joining us!

Zachary, USAID/DC: @Nayna, you can get the presentation in the downloads window to your left.

Agrilinks: If you have questions, please feel free to post them here. We will capture them and ask as many as possible during Q&A.

Agrilinks: We're also curious to hear from you: What content is resonating with you? Any pieces that are standing out that will help you in your work?

Leitha Geddes: Thanks for the info on the download

Analynn Bruce: Hi- this is Analynn Bruce- ADRA Canada

Analynn Bruce: Will the event PowerPoint still be available for downloading after the presentations?

Catherine Courtney: Are TURF-Reserves adopted through local municipal legislation?

Zachary, USAID/DC: Welcome Analynn! Presentation for download in the window to your left.

Paolo Domondon: @catherine courtney- in the Philippines, yes. They are adopted through an ordinance by the local government unit

Luis Ramos: Hi: Luis Ramos from USAID Central America. One of the problems is that the number of artisanal fishermen is growing. This probably implies that to protect coastal resources and oceans a landscape approach looking upstream is needed to provide additional opportunities to the people will be refrained from fishing from rights based and no take zone mechanisms. Has RARE considered a more holistic landscape/seascape approach? Are there experiences to learn from?

Dick Tinsley: if RARE is an acronym what does it stand for, not mentioned on website

Santiago Laserna: will we be hearing about landlocked aquaculture and lake fisheries?

Cornelio Delgado: A question for Brett: Could you give us a sense of the cost to implement the initiative. Thanks
Eric Coppenger: Hi Dick. Eric from Rare. Long ago (in a previous life it was an acronym. Now we don't consider it one.

Katy Heinz: Hi this is Kathryn Heinz from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Interested in what some roles are for women in wild fisheries. Are they allowed in? Do they want to be involved?

Zachary, USAID/DC: Thank you for posting your questions!

Analyynn Bruce: Thank you!

Zachary, USAID/DC: Thanks also to those giving answers!

nina Schlossman: Didn't introduce myself: Nina Schlossman, Global Food & Nutrition

Dick Tinsley: I would guess the fishing is a family enterprise with the husband doing most of the actual fishing while the wife handles the processing and marketing such as drying etc. but a joint enterprise

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Nina!

Andres Gomez: The briefing book available on the "Links to explore" tab on the left (Fishing for food security) summarizes the important roles of women. Also, a recent publication provides a systematic synthesis of the evidence about the consequences of gender equality on biodiversity governance including fisheries: http://environmentalevidencejournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s13750-016-0057-8

Luis Ramos: How are Philanthropic and multilateral resources different?

Zachary, USAID/DC: Thank you for sharing Andres!

nina Schlossman: cannot hear Justice very well - could you please boos the audio

Peter Limbu: Hi this is Limbu from The Nature Conservancy - Lake Tanganyika. I am interested to learn on how do other countries fishermen do to sustain other management costs especially when it comes to fisheries comanagement.

Rebecca Butterfield: Philanthropic would be private foundations vs. WB or USAID, etc.

Agrilinks: Andres- thank you for pointing to the resources that has the information!

nina Schlossman: Can you please talk more about what kind of subsidies

Brettjenks: Dick: Rare is a global conservation organization based in Arlington VA.

Claire Dawson: Mr. Jenks mentioned value chain improvements will be essential in RARE's strategy for the long term sustainability of the TURF program. I am hoping he (or any of the speakers) can unpack the specific challenges with small scale fisheries value chains, and what approaches have been considered to tackle them?

Brettjenks: Luis: multilateral resources are different from philanthropy in that they are linked to global conventions, national development priorities and range from grants to guarantees to concessional loans...

Dick Tinsley: Brett it would have been nice if you mentioned this at the beginning of your presentation

Brettjenks: will do next time. Thanks Dick.

Dana James: Does terrestrial nutrient management factor into any of these programs, or is this of lesser concern currently in the context of Ghana and Indonesia?
Brettjenks: Luis: we are now expanding the approach in the Philippines to build networks of municipal TURF Reserves which start to approximate seascape scale. Happy to talk further offline.

Zachary, USAID/DC: If you are looking for today's presentation, you can download it from the Downloads window to your left.

Elizabeth Adams: Is the canoe fleet privately owned by individuals? or are they mass owned and rented out?

Dick Tinsley: Does the government have the financial resources to handle all this administrative needs? Or will this lead to more informal income opportunities to get around the regulations?

Nicole Franz: How do the fishers of the canoe fleet in Ghana cope during the proposed closed season?

Bapu Vaitla: Question for Brett and Rob: the standard response to warnings about the deterioration of marine fisheries is "aquaculture growth will fill the demand gap," and indeed global models like IFPRI's IMPACT suggest that this may be the case. How do you respond to this?

Charlee Doom: Are there any resources that talk about the intersection of coastal agriculture and fisheries in light of coastal food security?

Kristine Beran: Resources Center. Working on value chain improvements in SSF in West Africa. Happy to speak with Claire and Mr. Jenks on our approach.

Brettjenks: Bapu: our view is that we need to restore wild caught fish, but clearly sustainable aquaculture is needed as well. So, both and...

Analynn Bruce: This is for Brett- we would like to coordinate / connect with RARE in the Philippines as we are implementing a fisheries project IloIlo funded by the Canadian Government. Can you please refer us to someone we can contact?

Nayna Jhaveri: Question for Brian: I've heard that the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure are being promoted/implemented in the fisheries sector in Ghana - is your USAID project involved in this?

Peter Limbu: Hi. my name is Limbu (The Nature Conservancy, TNC - LAKE TANGANYIKA). I am curious to learn more any specific challenges in co-management if there is a single policy framework across all water bodies

Brettjenks: Analynn: please reach out to Paolo, who is on this chain.

Luis Ramos: Question for Brian: Co-management, in Central America at least, has resulted some times in governments abandoning their responsibilities in the hands of NGOs and private sectors. How to ensure adequate government participation in the governance of fishing management?

Diane Russell: A big shout out to Barbara, Anila Jacob (BRIDGE project) and Andres Gomez (Measuring Impact project) in producing the briefing book and profiles!

Zachary, USAID/DC: If you missed any part of the presentation or want to refer to it later, we are recording it and will put it up on the Agrilinks events page.


Zachary, USAID/DC: For those joining us today or register for the event, you will get a post-event email when the recording goes up online.
Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Rebecca. Thank you for joining us!

Analyynn Bruce: Thanks, Brett

Analyynn Bruce: Hi Paolo- Will you be in a position to share your contacts with me?

Stephen Gudz: Can you repeat the info on the impact discussion next Wednesday? Thanks

Vincent Potier: Any example of successful incentive for small-scale fishermen to change their activity from fisheries (catching) to another one, in order to help reducing the fishing effort?

Karen Kent: In The Gambia TRY Oyster Women's Association has been granted exclusive use rights to the oyster and cockle fishery in the Tanbi Wetlands National Park

Karen Kent: USAID/BaNafaa Project supported that effort

Vincent Potier: Because it seems like the unescapable way will be to reduce the number of fishermen while it is actually growing.

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Analyynn, you can hover your cursor over Paolo’s name in the Participant list above to do a private chat.

Eric Coppenger: Brett had technical difficulties, he is reconnecting now

Paolo Domondon: analyynn- sending you a pm now : )

Claire Dawson: Justice thank you very much for your comments relating to my question!

Analyynn Bruce: Thanks, Zachary- will try that.

Peter Limbu: Hi Brian. This is Limbu - from The Nature Conservancy - Lake Tanganyika. I am curious to learn more from you on small-scale fisheries co-management especially on streamlining policy framework. my email: plimbu@tnc.org

Luis Ramos: For Brett Jenks> Hi: Luis Ramos from USAID Central America. One of the problems is that the number of artisanal fishermen is growing. This probably implies that to protect coastal resources and oceans a landscape approach looking upstream is needed to provide additional opportunities to the people will be refrained from fishing from rights based and no take zone mechanisms. Has RARE considered a more holistic landscape/seascape approach? Are there experiences to learn from?

Claire Dawson: Brett thank you very much for your discussion, it highlighted some of the key challenges we are facing in financing small scale fish farmers in Indonesia

Rebecca Metzner: For Brett: I may be getting ahead of the next webinar, but I am interested in learning more about the timelines associated with the concept of "blended finance" because it seems as though the duration of philanthropic program intervention is very short compared to the duration needed to effect change. Can you shed light on this?

Agrilinks: Stephan and all: Agrilinks will host an online discussion next Wednesday at the same time specifically about impact investing in fisheries. We will send out an invitation to everyone subscribed to Agrilinks with more details!

Luis Ramos: The context of my question was left out.

Agrilinks: Hi Luis- Thanks for sharing your context! It is very important.
Luis Ramos: Thank you!!

Agrilinks: Examples from different contexts can be helpful for shedding light- we were hoping to get some common lessons learned across the presenters.

Carrie Hubbell Melgarejo: For our information: Seems that "small pelagics" may not have been defined. A few months ago I was looking for nutritional data on "small fish" and realized that species are often not defined when we talk about "small fish" in development projects. Just found this 2014 presentation by one of the speakers. He cites an article that might be interesting; looks like it talks about marine while some of the projects we talk about could be freshwater, but interesting anyway: http://www.un.org/Depts/los/consultative_process/ICP15_Presentations/Crawford%20Presentation.pdf

Zachary, USAID/DC: Hi Carrie! Thank you for sharing this resource.

Olalekan Paul Akande: Great information, thanks


Nicole Franz: For information, chapter 5 of the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication mentioned by Barbara build on the Tenure guidelines. I will provide links for both.

Rebecca Metzner: Dear all - these are two different international instruments. The VGGT were endorsed by the Committee on Food Security in 2012; the SSF Guidelines were adopted by the Committee on Fisheries (COFI) in 2014. links to come in a moment. Rebecca

Agrilinks: As we ask the final question, we are putting up some polls. Please do take them before you leave the room!


Nayna Jhaveri: Yes, it is the FAO Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure which covers forestry, fisheries etc. FAO is preparing a Technical Guide on these VGs for the fisheries sector

Rebecca Metzner: For the VGFT see www.fao.org/docrep/016/i2801e/i2801e.pdf

Agrilinks: It is a great online group today, with lots of good questions! This last one is about co-management and how fishers sustain management costs.

Rebecca Metzner: VGGTis Voluntary Guidelines on Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests

Zachary, USAID/DC: Thank you for sharing Rebecca!

Agrilinks: Thanks for the insight, Rob, Brett, Justice, Brian, Barbara on all the questions!

Agrilinks: And feel free, everyone, to write to agrilinks@agrilinks.org with examples from your fishery projects!

Agrilinks: Please take a moment to take these polls!

Rebecca Metzner: My pleasure. My colleague Nicole Franz is the main contact point for the SSF Guidelines work that FAO's Fisheries and Aquaculture Department does. I am the main contact for the work on rights-based approaches.

Agrilinks: Next week: Agrilinks.org will follow up specifically on impact investing in fisheries!
Zachary, USAID/DC: Thank you for your question Nayna and for the clarification!

Agrilinks: We will be joined by Rare and the Development Credit Authority!

Zachary, USAID/DC: Thank you Everyone for joining us today!

Cornelio Delgado: Congrats

KDAD AV Tech: Thanks for attending. Please complete the polls. We'll leave the room open for another five minutes or so...

Analynn Bruce: Thanks so much- this is very helpful!

Agrilinks: Thank you everyone!

Santiago Laserna: how can we go back to the previous page to download the rest of the documents?

Santiago Laserna: I seem to be stuck here

Agrilinks: Hi Santiago- yes, we are in a new layout!

Agrilinks: Santiago- you will get the resources in a post-event email!

Peter Limbu: many thanks. I've learned alot

Agrilinks: You can also get it on the event page in the next few hours.

Herman Sanchez: Thank you and bye

Santiago Laserna: great, thanks

Santiago Laserna: bye

Peter Limbu: In the future, I'd like to share some experience from Lake Tanganyika (freshwater) small scale fisheries co-management

Olalekan Paul Akande: How do I summit the survey?

Agrilinks: Hi Peter- that would be great.

Elizabeth Westaway: Hi, Elizabeth Westaway from the UK, how can we link up with people interested in the same areas?

Agrilinks: Write to agrilinks@agrilinks.org and we can do a blog or two with you!

Leitha Geddes: I have learnt a lot; most areas are issues being dealt with in Jamaica

Leitha Geddes: thanks all

Peter Limbu: Yes. I'll send a follow up email separately to get clear directives on what to do

Agrilinks: Hi Elizabeth- Agrilinks is a great way to do that! Become a member to get content-specific updates and connect with others working on the same issues. You can comment and discuss content on the blogs posts and in monthly online events. Join us next week to do just that!

Peter Limbu: Thanks, I'll do that

Agrilinks: April 27: A full hour on impact investing in fisheries.
Agrilinks: Great, glad to hear it Peter.

Agrilinks: Leitha- I am glad you learned during this session! Any specific takeaways that will help you in your work?

Elizabeth Westaway: Thanks very much, I'll follow up with your advice

Agrilinks: Great! And if you need more information, simply email agrilinks@agrilinks.org and we will help you get set up!

Peter Limbu: Yes, I will do that