



INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF
ARTISANAL FISHERIES
AND AQUACULTURE
2022

THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ARTISANAL FISHERIES (ICAF) SCHEDULED FOR 3RD – 6TH SEPTEMBER , 2022, JINJA, UGANDA

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

As part of the celebrations for the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries (IYFA 2022), Sustainable Fisheries Initiative with the support of the National Organizing Committee are inviting interested participants to submit their abstracts for oral and poster presentations under the theme “Breaking new grounds to recognize and celebrate the contribution of small scale fisheries towards food security and nutrition”

Sub Themes

The submissions should focus on the following subthemes based on the IYFA 2022 Agenda

i. Social Sustainability:

How to best secure social inclusion and well-being of small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture, Decent working and living conditions are essential for small-scale artisanal fishers, fish farmers and fish workers to secure livelihoods and maintain their social, physical and cultural well-being

ii. Economic sustainability:

How to support inclusive value chains for small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture Access to markets, appropriate infrastructure, inclusive value chains and the just and equitable distribution of benefits enable fishers, fish farmers and fish workers to better provide affordable, high-quality fish products, generate employment and foster sustainable economies.

iii. Environmental Sustainability:

How to use biodiversity sustainably for the longevity of small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture. The significant challenges posed to the fisheries and aquaculture sectors by a changing climate and environmental conditions, in particular where warming water temperatures,



deoxygenation, and acidification in aquatic environments are already impacting the distribution and abundance of aquatic resources in many regions. Hence, there is an urgent need to address these through innovative, inclusive, effective and adaptive management measures

iv. Governance:

Ensure effective participation of small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture in building and strengthening enabling policy environments, effective and meaningful participation of fishers, fish farmers and fish workers in decision making processes ensures the progressive coordination in the formulation, implementation and management of policies and laws relating to small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture. An enabling policy environment

to support the diverse and traditional contributions of small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture should also receive strong political commitment.

v. Gender Equality :

Acknowledge that women and men in small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture are equals Women account for about half the labour force in small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture, playing a central role in food production, processing and marketing.

vi. Food Security and Nutrition:

Promote the contribution to healthy diets from small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture in sustainable food systems Food from the aquatic environment has a particular role as a source of nutrients, such as omega3- fatty acids.

vii. Resilience:

Increase the preparedness and adaptive capacity of small-scale artisanal fisheries and aquaculture to environmental degradation, shocks, disasters and climate change Over the last few decades, natural and human-induced disasters have become more frequent and increasingly destructive, and since the onset of the Covid19- pandemic the discourse on resilience has taken on increasingly significant role in sustainable food systems.

Who Submits an Abstract

- PhD students who wish to present and publish
- Researchers and practitioners (from institutions, civil society organizations) who wish to publish
- Undergraduate students who wish to present poster presentations for the 1st time

How to Submit an Abstract?

- Use the abstract template provided on website <https://sf-initiative.org/> or request for one from sfinitiative2020@gmail.com

Abstract Submission Information:

An abstract should have:

- ◆ An abstract title
- ◆ Key Words
- ◆ Full name(s) of the author(s)
- ◆ Author's job details(position, department/ faculty, organization/university, city, country)
- ◆ Author's contact information: Phone number and email
- ◆ Thematic direction of the conference, to which the presented abstract corresponds to
- ◆ Indication of whether the paper is intended for oral or poster presentation
- ◆ Indication for online or on-site participation (on site participation is encouraged)
- ◆ Word limit:400

Abstract Submission Limit:

You may submit as many abstracts as you wish. However, no individual will be allowed to present more than one paper. Additional papers must be presented by one of the co-authors.

• **Selection:** Your work will be reviewed by experts and experienced jury, a notification will be sent to the authors to prepare their full papers which will be either poster or oral.

• **Publication:** The best papers will be forwarded to the scientific journal Reviews in Fish Biology and Fisheries for consideration in special issue on the IYFA 2022

• **Submission Deadline: 10th May 2022**

Contact: Organizing Committee

Email: sfinitiative2020@gmail.com

Important dates

First Announcement:	7th April 2022
Submission of Abstracts:	10th May 2022
Submission of full papers:	10th June 2022
Registration Deadline:	30th June 2022

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