Call for “Early Bird” Abstracts
We are delighted to invite you to submit abstracts for presentation at IIFET 2016, to be held in Aberdeen, Scotland from 11th – 15th July 2016.

Conference Theme
The theme for IIFET 2016 is:
Challenging new frontiers in the global seafood sector – a Northern Enlightenment.

We are thinking about new management regimes, new opportunities, new trade routes and markets and new critical thinking, with a hint of the Scottish Enlightenment, in which Adam Smith played a key role. Take a look here for inspiration: http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/scottishenlightenment/

Topics
Our main proposed topic headings are:
- Aquaculture Economics
- Economics of Commercial and Recreational Fisheries
- Seafood Markets, Trade and Consumption
- Seafood Processing and Logistics
- Managing Marine Ecosystems and Competing Uses
- The BIGGER PICTURE

But visit http://www.iifet-2016.org/programme/themes/ for details, sub-topics, and great ideas.

Abstract submission guidelines
Submit your abstract by visiting: http://www.iifet-2016.org/abstract-submission/. You will need to register in the Oxford Abstracts system, establishing a username and password on your first visit; remember these to use on subsequent visits to the site. You’ll need to provide a presentation title, abstract (maximum 250 words), and all authors’ names and affiliations (institutes or organisations).

When you reach “Click here to make a new abstract submission” you will first see a page with a list of proposed special sessions. If the session does not state that it is CLOSED, then you are welcome to submit your abstract under a relevant session. (If a proposed special session is not accepted by the Scientific Committee your abstract will be moved into the general conference for review.)

The early bird submission period is mainly intended for those who need an acceptance decision soon in order to apply for travel support. If you are from a developing country and wish to apply for travel support from the conference, please submit your abstract during the Early Bird period. Please note that we are seeking developing country support funds, and that the number of travel grants will be limited; quality of abstract will be a primary determinant in what will likely be a competitive selection process. Authors may also submit an abstract by the final deadline – 22nd January 2016.
How to propose a Special Session – further details to follow!
Individuals with special expertise in appropriate topics are encouraged to submit a proposal for a special, pre-organised conference session. We are hoping for a broad mix of topics related to the conference themes, or other issues related to the economics of fisheries, seafood and aquaculture. To propose a special session, decide on your topic and agenda, recruit your participants, write up a description, and submit it via the online system; details about how to do this will follow shortly.

Key dates
September 2015: Call for Abstracts and Abstract submission Open
2 October 2015: **Early Bird Abstract Submission Deadline**
6 November 2015: Special Session Proposal Deadline
13 November 2015: Early Bird Abstract Acceptances Notified
4 December 2015: Special Session Acceptances Notified
**22 January 2016:** **Final Abstract Submission Deadline**
26 February 2016: Final Abstract Acceptances Notified
20 May 2016: Author Registration Deadline

For questions about submissions contact: cpdservices@abdn.ac.uk
If you have submitted an abstract, please quote your reference number, e.g. 0065.

For questions about the conference contact:
Hazel Curtis, Seafish: Hazel.Curtis@seafish.co.uk
Jimmy Young, Professor Emeritus, University of Stirling: j.a.young@stir.ac.uk

For questions about IIFET contact:
Ann Shriver: Ann.L.Shriver@oregonstate.edu