



IIFET 2012 Tanzania First Call for Abstracts, Part 1: Conference Dates and General Guidelines

The International Institute of Fisheries Economics & Trade (IIFET) and the University of Dar es Salaam are pleased to confirm that our sixteenth biennial conference will be held **July 16-20, 2012**, in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The welcome reception will take place on the evening of Monday, July 16th; conference sessions will run from Tuesday morning, July 17th, through mid-day Friday, July 20th. We also hope to arrange pre and/or post conference tours and events, which will introduce our participants to the Tanzanian culture and fisheries, so please place a hold in your calendar for several days on either end of the conference period to spend in this wonderful, unique locale. And of course, please consider arranging personal travel before or after the conference, to visit Tanzania's many wonders--game parks, beaches, Mt. Kilimanjaro!

The conference Scientific Committee will be co-chaired by IIFET President Dr. Rebecca Metzner (FAO), and Dr. Razack Lokina of the University of Dar es Salaam. The co-chairs solicit your input on conference themes, topics, and sessions. Please send your ideas to Rebecca.Metzner@fao.org and rlokina@udsm.ac.tz by August 19th.

The conference title and themes, venue, and a set of deadlines will be released in Part II of this Call, within a few weeks. For now, the following general guidelines will help you to begin preparing your abstract or session proposal.

Conference themes usually fall within the general areas of the economics of

- fishery management
- seafood markets and trade
- aquaculture
- development of fishery and aquaculture sectors fishing behavior economic modeling

Oral and poster presentations will range from the applied (market, business or policy-oriented) to those focusing on economic theory and method.

250 word abstracts will be submitted online through our system which will open in September, 2011 (applicants requesting travel support may be asked for a longer abstract.) Abstracts will be reviewed by an international scientific committee for quality and relevance to the conference themes.

Special session proposals are also solicited, and will undergo scientific review. Proposals will include a title, description, format, and list of participants in your proposed session. The deadline for submission of special session proposals will be in October 2011.

Two review periods will be established. The "Early Bird" review will begin in late October 2011. All special session proposals must be submitted for this review. Individuals needing an early decision on acceptance on individual abstracts may wish to participate in this review. In addition, anyone requesting financial aid is **highly encouraged** submit their abstract/session proposal for the early review. The Early Bird submission deadline will be in mid to late October.

The majority will participate in the regular review process, which will be held in January and February of 2012. The deadline for abstract submissions for regular review will be in mid to late January.

A limited amount of funding will be available to support participation by developing country participants. **Anyone wishing to apply for this support is strongly encouraged to participate in the Early Bird review!**

Several prizes and awards will be offered in conjunction with the conference. These will include the Best Student Paper Prize, the JIFRS Yamamoto Award for papers on responsible fishing, and others. Some of the prizes and awards will provide partial travel stipends. Deadline for submission of completed papers for consideration for awards will be in March, 2012. Stay tuned for details.

We are actively seeking conference sponsors. If your agency or organization could provide general financial support, help to support travel by developing country participants, or any other assistance, please contact Ann.L.Shriver@oregonstate.edu.