



During the World Oceans Week (WOW) last June, TBTI partnered with local, national, international and inter-governmental organizations from around the world in organizing the '[Small is Bountiful](#)' event that featured a series of online webinars and panel discussions about small-scale fisheries. The event brought attention to the importance of the sector, celebrated their contributions, and facilitated a dialogue about some of the most pressing small-scale fisheries issues. It focused in particular on ways to apply the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication ([SSF Guidelines](#)) to achieve inclusive, equitable and just development of small-scale fisheries.

This June, we're doing it again, but with a slight twist. For WOW this year, we invite you to put on your own show!

Specifically, we're inviting groups, organizations or networks that represent or work with small-scale fishing communities to organize a session for the 'Small-Scale Fisheries Open House' event. The proposed session can cover any small-scale fisheries topic in a country, countries, or in a region, as long as it is situated within the broad context of 'Life and livelihoods', the official theme of the 2021 WOW.

The open house will help shape the upcoming [International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture](#) in 2022, as well as the 4th World Small-Scale Fisheries Congress to be held in the same year.

The format for the open house is flexible. It can be a mixture of live and pre-recorded presentations. It can include any combination of interviews, discussions, panels, video-clips, performances, arts, music or any other ideas. Your show can be either 30, 60, 90 or 120 minutes. You can also choose to present it in your own language provided that some translation is made (e.g. subtitles, live translation, translated session summary).

If you are interested in organizing a session and showcasing small-scale fisheries in your country or your region, please send a short synopsis of the proposed session (about 100 words) as an email attachment to tbt.global@gmail.com. Make sure to provide a title, the country (or the region), and the name(s) of session organizer(s). Please indicate the format and duration of the proposed session. Innovative and interactive formats are encouraged. We will work with you once we receive your expression of interest to help shape the session and offer whatever support you need.

The number of session slots at the 'Small-Scale Fisheries Open House' event is limited so we strongly encourage you to submit the expression of interests **before April 15**.

If you have any questions, contact us at tbt.global@gmail.com.