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First Newsletter from the Global Action Network Sustainable Food from the Oceans and Inland Waters for Food Security and Nutrition

We are happy to send you our first newsletter, sharing ongoing work and news from the Global Action Network.

To allow us feature your activities, solutions or relevant events supporting the Global Action Network [mission](#) in future newsletters, please contact us via foodfromtheocean@hi.no.

Who are we, what do we do?

Sustainable food from the oceans and inland waters plays a significant role for food security and nutrition. The Global Action Network will mobilize actions to include aquatic food as a key food source for achieving food security and improved nutrition in the Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016-2025) and in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



Photo from Network meeting 2018

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Relevant actions



"The Global Action Network [Action Plan](#) includes arranging annual meetings, workshops and events, recognize interested parties and establish connections to promote collaboration and interaction among cross-sectorial actors focusing on the important elements for food security *from healthy Waters to Healthy People.*"

Online Global Action Network Meeting 2021

At the Global Action Network meeting 2021, we summed up the achievements so far and planned for future work. The 2022 Task Force was established, and now consists of participants from the Global Action Network, including country representatives from

Iceland, the Netherlands and Norway, as well as the organizations UN nutrition, WorldFish, IFAD, and the University of Ghana.

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2022: International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture (IYAFA2022)

Small-scale fisheries and aquaculture are pivotal for the nutrition of millions of people across the globe.

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Women and a Changing Tide: How to Break the Bias

Perspective from African Small-scale Fisheries

IYAFA 2022 and the Global Action Network hosted a webinar on the International Women's Day to highlight the roles of women in small-scale fisheries with panelists from Norway, Kenya, Malawi, and Tanzania.

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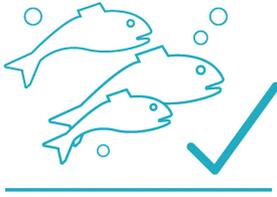
Blue/Aquatic Food Action Coalition

The Blue/Aquatic Food Action Coalition was launched at the UN Food Systems Summit in September 2021. The ambition of the Coalition is to promote global recognition of the importance of foods from the ocean and inland waters to a growing world population, and support a more rapid uptake of projects and policies that create understanding of the importance of sustainably managed fisheries and aquaculture in meeting food and nutrition needs.

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Relevant knowledge and solutions



"The Global Action Network will continuously identify challenges, exchange knowledge and solutions related to the key elements of food security. Through the [Gain and Share Tool](#), you can gain and share knowledge to promote sustainable food from the oceans and inland waters for food security and nutrition."

Here we are featuring a challenge in [Sustainable aquaculture production](#).

How insect farming is used to promote peace and sustainable development in Colombia

Karol B. Barragán-Fonseca's team (Universidad Nacional de Colombia) proposed an Agroecological Insect-Fish Farming model. They showed that producing Black Soldier Fly on organic residual streams may contribute to the development of a circular economy model of aquaculture production system, that generates a sustainable income for small- and medium-scale farmers.



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Upcoming events

[UN Ocean Conference](#)

27 June – 1 July 2022, Lisbon, Portugal

The 50th meeting of the [Committee on World Food Security CFS](#)

17-21 Oct 2022, Rome, Italy



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