
Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing 10th International Forum

16th and 17th March, 2017

Chatham House | London

Day 1: Thursday 16th March

08:30 – 09:30 | Registration and Refreshments

09:30 – 09:45 | Welcome and Opening Remarks

Speaker: Rob Bailey | Research Director, Energy, Environment and Resources | Chatham House

09:45 – 10:00 | Opening Address

Keynote speaker: [H.E Said Jama Mohamed](#) | Deputy Minister | Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Somalia

10:00 – 11:15 | Session 1 | FAO Port State Measures Agreement: Next Steps

With the entry into force of the FAO Port State Measures Agreement (PSMA) in 2016, the opening session of the forum will assess the strengths and obligations of the agreement and discuss the challenges faced in uptake, financing and implementation. There will be a discussion on the ‘next steps’ required to build on the momentum of the PSMA as the agreement moves from political ratification to implementation.

- What concrete actions can now be taken by states that have ratified the PSMA?
- How to prevent ‘port-hopping’ to markets not signed up to the PSMA and encourage states with globally significant fishing ports and markets to ratify?
- How can the capacity and skills needed for implementation and enforcement, particularly in developing countries, be increased?
- What is the progress on funding mechanisms for building capacity to implement PSMA measures?

Chair: [Hilde Ognedal](#) | Senior Legal Advisor | Norwegian Directorate of Fisheries

Speaker: Judith Swan ([Presentation A](#) and [Presentation B](#)) | Legal, Institutional and Policy Expert | Consultant

Speaker: [Dr Matthew Camilleri](#) | Fishery Liaison Officer | Fisheries and Aquaculture Policy and Resources Division | FAO

Speaker: [Per Erik Bergh](#) | Coordinator | Stop Illegal Fishing

11:15 – 11:45 | Coffee Break

11:45 – 13:15 | Session 2 | ‘Tragedy of the Commons’: Regulating the High Seas

How can the gap between international conventions and practical implementation and enforcement on the high seas be bridged? A discussion on the implications of IUU fishing on the Arctic sea will follow the formal presentations, raising important questions around fisheries management and high seas governance predominantly through the lens of the Central Arctic Ocean, which may be navigable as early as the first half of this century.

- Are current international conventions and instruments effectively mitigating IUU fishing on the high seas?
- How can we address the intersection of IUU fishing and sustainability in international laws on the high seas?
- Does the establishment of the Ross Sea MPA, the largest MPA to date, present a model for future progress in governing the high seas?

Chair and Speaker: [Magdalena A.K. Muir](#) | Research Associate | Arctic Institute of North America, Universities of Calgary and Alaska Fairbanks

Speaker: [Stuart Cory](#) | Special Agent | National Program Manager | NOAA Office of Law Enforcement

Speaker: [Michele Ameri](#) | Legal Officer | UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

Speaker: [Jane Rumble](#) | Head of Polar Regions Department | UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office

13:15 – 14:15 | Lunch

14:15 – 15:30 | Session 3 | Small-Scale Fisheries and Developing Nations

This session will discuss the balance between small-scale, artisanal fisheries and the economic drive toward large scale fisheries with often unmanageable levels of IUU fishing practices. How can small-scale fisheries be supported, such that livelihoods are protected and both large and small scale IUU practices reduced?

- Are the FAO 'Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries' a meaningful aid to developing nations in the fight against IUU fishing?
- How can we protect the rights of small-scale and subsistence fishing communities in developing nations within a global framework?
- How can we create participatory solutions with fishing communities that can help alter their approach, rather than introducing punitive measures?
- How can livelihoods be better protected and investment encouraged via small-scale fisheries?
- How can we create gender-inclusive sustainable small-scale fisheries solutions?
- What are the drivers of small-scale fisheries crime violations and non-compliance?

Chair: Dr Nicholas Watts | Senior Research Fellow | Institute of Commonwealth Studies

Speaker: [Nicole Franz](#) | Fishery Planning Analyst | FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture Department
Speaker: [Dr Ingrid Kelling](#) | Market Outreach Director | International Pole and Line Foundation

15:30 – 16:00 | Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30 | Session 4 | Industry and the Private Sector

The private sector plays a crucial part in the fight against IUU fishing. This session will consider the role that the sector can play in the development of sustainable fishing practices from both within and outside private sector supply chains.

- What are the threats to the fishing industry from IUU fishing? How can the industry adapt in response to pressures from NGOs and governments to incorporate the risk of IUU fishing into their supply chain?
- How is traceability and transparency in supply chains being addressed? What are the implications of transparency for the fishing industry?
- What are the barriers to developing adequate certification systems in developing countries?

Chair: Brendan May | Chairman | Robertsbridge Group

Speaker: Dr Darian McBain | Group Director of Sustainable Development | Thai Union

Speaker: Ruth Simpson | Group Corporate Relations Director | Princes Limited

Speaker: Miguel Herrera | Deputy Manager | OPAGAC

Speaker: Will McCallum | Head of Oceans | Greenpeace UK

Speaker: Toby Middleton | Programme Director North East Atlantic | Marine Stewardship Council

17:30 – 19:00 | Drinks Reception

Delegates are cordially invited to join colleagues for a drinks reception which will take place in the Neil Malcolm Room in Chatham House.

Day 2: Friday 17th March

09:00 – 09:30 | Welcome Refreshments

09:30 – 11:00 | Session 5 | Fishing in Troubled Waters: Geopolitics and Resource Security

Reflecting on present geopolitical tensions, this session will focus on the implications of territorial disputes for IUU fishing and resource governance and explore what can be done to support more resilient international policing. This will be developed through the lens of the South China Sea challenge.

- How is IUU fishing contributing to geopolitical tension, and how are international territorial disputes enabling IUU fishing?
- What are the geopolitical implications of the food security issues brought about by IUU fishing?
- What is the role of diplomacy in combating IUU fishing?
- How to avoid IUU fishing from exacerbating geopolitical tensions and becoming militarised?
- How can the non-alignment of traditional fishing grounds and national EEZs be reconciled?
- How can current international conventions and instruments be adapted to tackle IUU fishing in disputed waters?

Chair: Cleo Paskal | Associate Fellow, Energy, Environment and Resources | Chatham House

Speaker: [Dr Rashid Sumaila](#) | Director of the Fisheries Economics Research Unit | University of British Columbia

Speaker: [Hongzhou Zhang](#) | Research Fellow | S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)

Speaker: [Theresa Fallon](#) | Director | Centre for Russia, Europe, Asia Studies (CREAS)

11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00 | Session 6 | Technology and Big Data

This session will look at technology's impact on the fight against IUU fishing. The transformative capacity of effective and cost-efficient monitoring, control and surveillance technologies will be examined. Issues around the creation of an electronic EU-wide database will be discussed.

- How can technological advances help us reach the target of 30% vessel monitoring?
- How is video surveillance and species recognition improving and what are the implications of this technology?
- What are the key gaps and how can technology help to fulfil the potential of the EU IUU Regulation Catch Certificate System?

Chair: Tony Long | Director | Ending Illegal Fishing Project | The Pew Charitable Trusts

Speaker: [Dr Gregory E. van der Vink](#) | CEO and Founder | Novametrics LLC | Adjunct Faculty | Princeton University

Speaker: [Rasmus Johansson](#) | Co-founder and Machine Learning Engineer | Refind Technologies

Speaker: [Eszter Hidas](#) | EU Policy Officer | WWF Smart Fishing Initiative's Illegal Fishing Project

13:00 | End of Conference

Information

Facilities

Refreshments and lunch will be provided at the points indicated in the agenda. Cloakroom facilities will be provided, but delegates are asked to keep valuables with them throughout the conference.

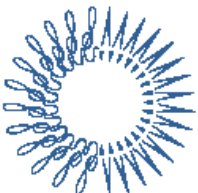
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