

Annual Meeting Minutes

W4004: Marketing, Trade, and Management of Aquaculture and Fishery Resources

Date: May 24-25, 2023
Location: Woods Hole, MA & online

Meeting objective: To facilitate developing future collaborations through exchanging current projects, project ideas, and general networking among the members and participants (meeting agenda in the appendix).

Participants:

Woods Hole	Online
Anderson, James (University of Florida)	Miller, Jessica (Oregon State University)
Asche, Frank (University of Florida)	
Fitzsimmons, Kevin (University of Arizona) (also representing Arun Dhar, U of AZ)	
Kumar, Ganesh (Mississippi State U)	
Ropicki, Andrew (University of Florida)	
Scheld, Andrew (VIMS)	
Uchida, Hirotsugu (University of RI)	
Weir, Michael (Wood Hole OI)	
Roheim, Cathy (University of Idaho/Advisor)	

Summary

- This was the second meeting of W4004 since it was launched in Oct 2021. The meeting focused on member introductions, sharing ongoing and/or interested projects, and facilitate networking.
- The meeting was planned in conjunction with the biennial conference of North American Association of Fisheries Economists (NAAFE) 2023, held in Woods Hole, MA, given many members of this group were planning to attend the conference. This was particularly convenient for members from non-Land Grant institutions to attend our meeting.
- To make the meeting inclusive for those who cannot come to Woods Hole, it was decided to hold the meeting in a hybrid mode. We used WHOI facility for the meeting.
- The meeting proceeded according to the schedule described in the agenda (see appendix):
 - Opening remark
 - Introductions and short presentations on research projects (details below)
 - Free discussions/networking
- **New chair was chosen. Dr. Andrew Ropicki of University of Florida will take over the chairmanship from Hiro Uchida.** The transition will occur when the annual report has been filed after the meeting.

Ongoing/interested projects presented

Markets

- Development of two Gulf of Mexico IFQ pricing reports (Ropicki)
- Demand potential for unfamiliar seafood (Uchida)
- Market for ikejime seafood in RI (Uchida)
- Expanding markets for invasive species (Scheld)
- Measuring consumer surplus generated by establishing commercial fishery of mesopelagic species (Weir)

Aquaculture

- Educating Southeastern oyster farmers on marketing opportunities (Ropicki)
- Foodborne illness risk in oyster farming (Uchida)
- Labor supply and demand in shellfish aquaculture (Scheld)
- F3: Future of Fish Feed: Accelerating the Race to Replace The Fish in Fish Feed (Fitzsimmons)
- Blue Foods: Scaling up Sustainable Aquaculture and Seaweed (Fitzsimmons)

Tools/Technology

- Economic solutions for ghost gear (Uchida)
- Investigating economic feasibility of using invasive carp (silver carp) as alternative bait source for U.S. lobster industry (Weir)

Social issues

- Informing the State of Florida on the potential economic impacts of a shark fin ban (Ropicki)
- Network Analysis of Quota Trading in the Gulf of Mexico IFQ Fisheries (Ropicki)
- Evaluating interactions between offshore wind and commercial fisheries (Scheld)

Other

- Impact of heatwaves in the Gulf of Alaska on marine communities and fisheries species (Pacific cod) (Miller)
- Can demand-side interventions effectively reduce pressure on wild fish stocks, particularly via the introduction of a novel lab-grown seafood product? (Weir)

Appendix

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2023 Annual Meeting Agenda

Date: May 24-25, 2023
Location: Paul & Ruth Fye Library (basement of Crowell House; see map)
Marine Policy Center, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
266 Woods Hole Rd, Woods Hole, MA 02543
(Virtual attendance option available [here](#)¹)

Meeting objective

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Meeting schedule

May 24	EDT	(Last session ends at 4:30 PM)
	4:45 PM	Member introduction (name, affiliation, research interest areas)
	5:00 PM	Presentations of ongoing projects
	5:30 PM	Break (5 min)
	5:35 PM	Presentations (continued) Free discussions and networking Breakout in groups
	6:15 PM	Adjourn
May 25	EDT	(Lunch break is 12-1PM)
	12:15 PM	(Previous session ends at 12PM) <i>Grab your lunch and come to the meeting room.</i>
		Organizational matters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New leadership (chair, vice chair)• Discuss rotation scheme
	12:50 PM	Adjourn (Next session begins at 1 PM)

* This meeting is held alongside with 2023 North American Association of Fisheries Economist Forum. For lodging information, refer to the conference website (<https://naafe2023.who.edu/>).

¹ <https://uri-edu.zoom.us/j/96048163001?pwd=bkpzSnNTSHk0R29ybW9OWittT0Vydz09>