AFSSRN hosts panel sessions in iSAFE4 and GAF 8

Five AFSSRN members presented papers during the 4th International Symposium on Aquaculture and Fisheries Education with the theme “SMART Aquaculture and Fisheries Education,” held on 7–8 October 2022. The AFSSRN panel (Session 6) on Future Strategy: The Integration of Social Sciences in Fisheries Education, was chaired by Prof. Han-Ching Wang of the National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan and Co-chaired by Prof. Yu-hung Lin, of the National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (NPSUT) and the Local Organization Committee Chair of iSAFE4.

In her keynote message, Dr. Alice Joan G. Ferrer, the immediate past president of AFSSRN, focused on how fisheries education and research can be enhanced through a stronger connection with the social sciences. This message was further stressed by papers that described how the various social science disciplines are being integrated in fisheries education and university level curriculum. These are the cases in Indonesia by Dr Luky Adrianto (Institut Pertanian Bogor; IPB University), in the Philippines by Assoc. Prof. Caridad N. Jimenez (University of the Philippines Visayas), in India by Dr. Nikita Gopal (ICAR– Central Institute of Fisheries Technology), and in Malaysia by Dr. Mohd Zafri Bin Hassan (Universiti Putra Malaysia).

In hosting Session 6 of iSAFE4, Dr. Marieta Bañez Sumagaysay, AFSSRN Chair, hopes to bring the discourse to a wider audience and pitch on the importance of mainstreaming economics, sociology, political science and governance, psychology and other related social sciences in fisheries education and research programs, in study plans, and in community/extension work.

iSAFE4 was organized by the Asian Fisheries Society (AFS), the Asian Fisheries Society - Taiwan Branch, and the National Pingtung University of Science and Technology, with financial support from the National Science and Technology Council, Taiwan and the NPSUT.
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Asst. Prof. Paul Joseph Ramirez, Chair of the AFSSRN Standing Committee on Research and Training, designed GAF 101 for the AFSSRN panel during the 8th Global Conference on Gender in Aquaculture and Fisheries (GAF 8) held on 21–23 November 2022 in Kochi, India via hybrid mode. GAF 101 is a training workshop on gender analysis as a tool/framework for fisheries and aquaculture social science research. Case studies were presented by Dr. Nikita Gopal and Dr. Neha Qureshi for India, Dr. Marieta Bañez Sumagaysay for the Philippines, Dr. Zumilah Zainalaludin for Malaysia, and Dr. Kafayat Adetoun Fakoya for Nigeria.

Asst. Prof. Ramirez and Dr Qureshi facilitated the workshop, while Dr. Zarirah Mohamed Zulperi gave the GAF 101 synthesis. Participants are students and young researchers who, as emphasized by Dr. Alice Joan G. Ferrer’s introductory talk, are encouraged to mainstream gender when conducting research in fisheries.

GAF 8 is organized by the GAF Section of the Asian Fisheries Society and the Society of Fisheries Technologists (India) with the theme, "Shaping the Future: Gender Justice for Sustainable Aquaculture and Fisheries."