

# Advancing science, technology, and policy in sustainable aquatic food systems for food security and nutrition

## Side event subtitle

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Inland aquatic food systems are critical to livelihoods and food security and nutrition around the world. Supporting these contributions requires science, technology, and policy development that account for the unique threats and opportunities that inland aquatic systems face. Drawing on recent examples in Malawi, this webinar will showcase international collaborative efforts to advance science and technological innovations in inland aquatic food systems.

A series of presentations illustrates innovative approaches to a) filling key data gaps on fisheries post-harvest sector to understand drivers of livelihood outcomes and physical and access to aquatic foods; b) tailoring information and communications technology (ICT) to local needs; and c) informing gender-sensitive food systems policies. Wide-scale adoption and sustainability of efforts such as these will require multisectoral collaboration and partnerships.

## Agenda

Time	Title of the Session and Speakers
	<i>Opening</i>
<b>15:00 – 15:05</b>	<b>William Taylor</b> , University Distinguished Professor in Global Fisheries Systems, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University
<b>15:05 – 15:10</b>	<b>Nicole Franz</b> , Equitable Livelihoods team leader, FAO
	<i>Advancing science, innovation, and policy for inland aquatic food systems: examples from Malawi</i>
	Moderator <b>Devin M. Bartley</b> , PhD, Adjunct Professor Michigan State University & Senior Research Associate World Fisheries Trust (Canada)

<b>15:10 – 15:15</b>	<i>International partnerships for inland aquatic food systems</i> <b>Abigail Bennett</b> , Assistant Professor of Global Inland Fisheries Governance, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University
<b>15:15 -15:20</b>	<i>Importance of advancing science, innovation and policy for aquatic food systems in Malawi</i> <b>Emmanuel Kaunda</b> , Vice Chancellor, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources
<b>15:20 – 15:35</b>	<i>Spatial analysis of food access to guide aquatic food systems policy</i> <b>Edith Gondwe</b> , PhD Candidate, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University
<b>15:35 – 15:50</b>	<i>Designing digital marketing tools for fish traders in Malawi</i> <b>Patrick Chimseu</b> , Masters Student, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources
<b>15:50 – 16:05</b>	<i>A gendered analysis of fish trader livelihoods in Malawi</i> <b>Emma Rice</b> , Masters Student, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University
<b>16:05 – 16:25</b>	Q&A
	<b>CLOSING</b>
<b>16:25 – 16:30</b>	<b>Amenye Banda</b> , National small-scale fisheries coordinator, FAO Malawi
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