

South Pacific
International Fisheries Negotiations Course
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Funding Report



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I. Introduction

From 17th until 21st July 2023, the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS), hosted an International Fisheries Negotiations course in Wollongong, Australia. This program aimed to further build the expertise and knowledge of South Pacific Group (SPG) member States along with French Polynesia, New Caledonia and American Samoa. The objectives of this course were to enhance participants' negotiation and cooperation skills for RFMO meetings – particularly in the context of the WCPFC -, to increase their knowledge of international legal fisheries frameworks, and to promote the strengthening of sub-regional networks and shared interests between SPG small island developing States and territories, so that they can better negotiate and collaborate in their management of Southern longline fisheries. The training was provided in person to maximise peer-to-peer learning and cooperation and provide opportunities for networking.

The course was attended by a total of 15 participants who were mid to senior level managers and officials from the Cooks Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu, Fiji, Niue, Samoa, and from French Polynesia, New Caledonia, and American Samoa (participants list attached). The programme also gratefully acknowledges insightful contributions from experts from Australia, Japan, Korea, Chile, China, Maldives, New Zealand, and the USA, and the following organisations: Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA), Office Pacific Ocean Commissioner (OPOC), Pacific Small Islands Developing States (PSIDS), Pew Charitable Trusts, Worldwide Fund For Nature (WWF), Fiji Fishing Industry Association and Solander Fiji.

II. Summary of participants' evaluations

At the conclusion of the workshop, participants were invited to complete anonymous evaluation assessments. These evaluation reports demonstrated a very high level of satisfaction with regards to the quality, relevance, and overall value of the course. All the evaluations were extremely positive about the course's usefulness and applicability to their professional roles, thanks to shared experts' insights and the study of real-life case studies and lessons learnt over the years. For example, some participants noted the following:

- *"The experiences shared were extremely precious, as well as insights from other RFMOs."*

- *“I strongly recognize the quality of this course, thanks to very high level experts. The content and agenda were really relevant and well managed.”*

Several participants mentioned the particular relevance of the course content and delivered skills for early and mid-career professionals in order to equip them with the necessary background knowledge and lessons learnt over time. This was expressed by one participant:

- *“This course would have helped me significantly in the earlier parts of my career, as a lot of the lessons shared were things that I picked up over many years. Great course for new and middle entry staff.”*

Participants’ evaluations showed a strong interest in the acquisition and practice of negotiation skills through mock negotiation exercises which they found particularly useful. They also noted that the course successfully gave them new knowledge and developed their expertise of the international fisheries context, legal and management frameworks, which they found helpful to contextualise the functioning of RFMOs. Participants were pleased with the presentations and course delivery, which they found digestible and comprehensive.

When asked for further general comments about the course, many participants expressed their wish to see this training opportunity repeated on a regular basis in the future, as highlighted by the below quotes:

- *“Please have it every other year! Useful and well organised. Good speakers and great feeling and open discussions. Thank you.”*
- *“This course was absolutely invaluable. Should be necessary for all delegates and FFA staff to fully understand and learn from this content.”*

Territories were also particularly grateful for the training and networking opportunity provided, as noted by one participant below:

- *“This course was a great opportunity for territories to be more involved and linked to FFA and SPG. These partnerships may be the solution to have a better SPALN management in the near future, so capacity building and courses like this on an annual basis would help.”*

III. Expenditures

The cost for the organisation and delivery of the course amounted to AU\$154,255, comprising:

- AU\$102,955.02 for airfares, transport, DSA and accommodation
- AU\$51,300 for course fees, venue costs and hybrid meeting technology

IV. Conclusion

The International Fisheries Negotiations course of July 2023 held at ANCORS was successful, as demonstrated by participants' positive evaluations. The objectives of the training were met and participants from SPG group member States and French Polynesia, New Caledonia and American Samoa were able to build their expertise with regards to international fisheries' legal structures and decision-making procedures; enhance their negotiation and cooperation skills to effectively champion their national interests in RFMO meetings; and foster networks of collaboration.

The SPG members, along with the territories afore mentioned, expressed their sincere appreciation and thanks to the WCPFC Special Requirements Fund and the Chinese Taipei Trust Fund for their support and assistance which have played a key role in enabling this course and making a positive impact.

V. Attachments

- Participants
- Presenters
- Program

Participants

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Presenters

Kamal Azmi

Dr Kamal Azmi is a Senior Research Fellow at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security ([ANCORS](#)) at the University of Wollongong, where he focuses on aspects of transboundary fisheries in the Pacific and Indian Oceans, including rights-based management, sustainability, equity, transparency, IUU fishing and the blue economy. From 2019 to 2022, Kamal concurrently served as the Pacific Regional Lead for [Global Fishing Watch](#). He completed his PhD at ANCORS in 2021 after a 20+ years career in the Australian Government, including in foreign policy, international development and trade-related postings in Honiara, Singapore and Taipei.

Ruth Davis

Ruth is the Postgraduate Programs Coordinator for ANCORS and has over 25 years' experience in the design and delivery of training and educational programs in the university sector and for government, regional and international organisations. Ruth's background is in law and economics. She currently works in both the coastal and oceanic fisheries spaces, motivated by the desire to create a supportive enabling environment for effective, equitable and sustainable fisheries management. Ruth's work in oceanic fisheries revolves around the central theme of equity in transboundary fisheries management and includes projects relating to transparency in RFMO decision-making; access to data to support transparent fisheries management decision-making; and improving equity in transboundary fisheries negotiations. In the coastal fisheries space Ruth's work focusses on governance of inshore fisheries in Pacific island countries and territories, and the strengthening of local, national and regional frameworks to support community-based fisheries management in the context of climate change and the need for food security. Ruth regularly attends the meetings of a number of regional bodies and RFMOs as adviser and ANCORS observer.

Adèle Dutilloy

Adèle Dutilloy is a Fisheries Management Advisor with FFA, having joined the team in February 2022. Adèle has a background in marine biology and fisheries science, with her previous position being a fisheries modeller in New Zealand. Since joining FFA, Adèle has worked on a range of projects, including working closely on the South Pacific Longline Project assisting Members with the management of South Pacific albacore, and assisting Members with their management of sharks.

Camille Goodman

Dr Camille Goodman is an international lawyer specialising in the law of the sea and international fisheries law, with a background in public policy and significant experience as a legal adviser to Government. Camille is currently a Senior Lecturer at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS) at the University of Wollongong, a Visiting Fellow at the ANU College of Law, and a Non-Resident Fellow at the Sea Power Centre Australia. From 2005 to 2020, Camille worked at the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department, providing legal and policy advice to the Australian Government, with a particular focus on law of the sea and international fisheries law. Her first book, *Coastal State Jurisdiction Over Living Resources in the Exclusive Economic Zone*, was published by OUP in November 2021.

Quentin Hanich

Quentin Hanich leads the Fisheries Governance Research Program at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS), University of Wollongong, where he is a Nippon Foundation Ocean Nexus Chair. Quentin has worked widely throughout the Asia Pacific region in various international partnerships focusing on ocean governance, emerging technologies, marine conservation, fisheries management and development. He has chaired international working groups, facilitated inter-governmental workshops, advised Ministerial meetings and national delegations, and is a member of the United Nations Pool of Experts for the World Ocean Assessment, and the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas. In addition to his roles at the University of Wollongong, A/Prof Hanich is the Editor-in-Chief of the Elsevier journal Marine Policy, a Principal Investigator in the Nippon Foundation funded Ocean Nexus Program, a research partner with the Japanese Fisheries Research and Education Agency and Global Fishing Watch, and an Adjunct Scholar at Dalhousie University.

Glen Holmes

Glen Holmes is an officer in Pew's international fisheries program where he leads engagement in three of the world's five tuna regional fisheries management organizations (RFMOs): the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC), the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) and the Convention for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT).

He has been working in the environmental field as a marine ecologist for more than 20 years. After initially training as a chemical engineer and working with environmental problems associated with both agriculture and industry, his love of the ocean pushed him in a new direction, completing his marine ecology PhD in 2009 from The University of Queensland. His research focused on modelling large-scale changes to tropical marine ecosystems and the development of management tools that could be used by governments with limited capacity.

Glen has also previously worked as an independent environmental advisor on marine and coastal ecosystem issues undertaking projects for both government and non-government associated organizations such as Australia's Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority and the World Bank as well as coordinated and lectured courses in environmental management at The University of Queensland

Sinan Hussain

Sinan Hussain is a PhD student at Dalhousie University. Sinan's research is on equitable governance in transboundary species particularly in the Indian Ocean. The research aims to identify barriers to equitable tuna governance and identify solutions for better involvement of developing coastal States in RFMO decision making process. Sinan worked as a director of fisheries management at the Ministry of Fisheries, Marine Resources and Agriculture in the Maldives for 10 years prior to his decision to pursue studies. Apart from IOTC, Sinan has represented the Maldivian government in various international forums such as FAO's Committee on Fisheries and Intergovernmental Conference on Marine Biodiversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction and Asia Pacific Fisheries Commission. Sinan also chaired the Southwest Indian Ocean Fisheries Commission (SWIOFC). He is currently the chair of IOTC's Standing Committee on Administration and Finance (SCAF) and the performance review panel for the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT).

Jung-re Riley Kim

Jung-re Riley Kim is the head of multilateral fisheries negotiations unit at the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries in Korea. She also represents Korea at various regional fishery management organizations.

She has engaged in multilateral fisheries negotiations since 2010. She served as Vice Chair of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) and the Chair of Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) and as Chair of the Standing Committee on Compliance and Implementation of the Commission (SCIC) of the Commission of Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR). She is currently serving as Chair of the IOTC and Vice Chair of the North Pacific Fisheries Commission (NPFIC).

Xiaobing Liu

Mr. Liu Xiaobing, used to be Chinese head of delegation to WCPFC from 2004 and 2014, and as vice Chair of WCPFC from 2005-2008. From 2015, Mr. Liu, as Visiting Professor of Shanghai Ocean University, still being participated tuna RFMOs meetings, including WCPFC, IOTC, IATTC and ICCAT.

Sarah Lothian

Dr Sarah Lothian is a Lecturer and Academic Barrister at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS) at the University of Wollongong. Sarah decided to embark upon a career in Academia after spending 12+ years in the legal profession. In 2021, Sarah graduated with her PhD from the University of Sydney. Sarah's research focuses on the ongoing BBNJ negotiations and her recent book, *Marine Conservation and International Law: Legal Instruments for Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction* (Routledge, 2022) analyses the essential components the new instrument will require to effectively conserve and sustainably use biodiversity beyond national jurisdiction. At ANCORS, Sarah convenes the postgraduate course on Maritime Regulation and Enforcement, and teaches into a range of courses on Law of the Sea and other ocean governance issues. Sarah remains an active member of the NSW Bar and is admitted to practice in the Senior Courts of England and Wales.

Don MacKay

Don MacKay is an experienced international lawyer and negotiator who spent nearly 40 years working for the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT), and since 2010 has been an Independent Legal Consultant with particular focus on fisheries. He was New Zealand's Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York from 2001 to 2005, and to the United Nations and Specialised Agencies in Geneva from 2006 to 2009. He was President of the States Parties to the Law of the Sea Convention in 2002, and Co-chair of the United Nations Informal Consultative Process on the Law of the Sea (UNICPOLOS), 2010-2015. Don is an Honorary Professor with the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS). He has extensive RFMO experience, including Chairing various RFMOs.

Masanori Miyahara

Born in 1955 in Tokyo, Japan. Joined Fisheries Agency of Japan (FAJ) in 1978 and continued to work for the Japanese Government over 40 years. Deputy Director General of FAJ for 2011-14 and President of Japan Fisheries Research Agency for 2014-21. During his carrier, he served

as the head delegate of Japan to many international negotiations and chaired ICCAT for 6 years and Northern Committee of WCPFC for 17 years. Currently the Advisor to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan.

Gemma Nelson

Gemma is a lawyer with experience in public policy, international law and legal advice in public and international sectors. She has extensive litigation experience from her time at the Attorney General's Office in Samoa (2013-2018) during which she acted as counsel on a range of issues from land disputes to contract law to multilateral agreements. As a public servant in a small island developing state, Gemma is passionate about creating strategic, dynamic and effective work solutions while also cultivating a positive learning environment where peers can interact with and between projects. Since leaving Samoa, Gemma was engaged as PSIDS technical advisor on ocean issues at the United Nations and provided coordination and technical support to the 12 PSIDS members in New York in several processes such as UNOC22, BBNJ negotiations and negotiations under UNEA for a Plastics Treaty. Her intersectional experience has given Gemma a unique approach to identifying and resolving issues as well as creating robust and efficient working relationships. As a Pacific Island woman, she believes fully in the power of grassroots work, of empowering youth and marginalised communities and the importance of never doubting the role and influence of the Pacific on the world.

Oswaldo Urrutia

Oswaldo Urrutia (*PhD* Victoria University of Wellington, *LL.M* University College London) is a national of Chile, a lecturer in international law and law of the sea at P. Universidad Católica de Valparaíso and a consultant for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. As a legal adviser of the Government of Chile for nearly twenty years, Mr Urrutia was involved in international ocean and fisheries affairs and negotiations, including the work of several global and regional organisations such as the United Nations General Assembly, the FAO and the OECD. He was chairperson of the Commission of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO) and the compliance committees in the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) and SPRFMO.

Ryan Wulff

Ryan Wulff is the Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries in NOAA Fisheries' West Coast Regional Office. The Sustainable Fisheries Division oversees the conservation of marine resources and the management of sustainable commercial, recreational, and tribal fisheries on the West Coast of the United States, extending from the vast interior salmon habitat of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California to the high seas of the Pacific Ocean. Ryan is also the Acting United States Commissioner to the International Whaling Commission and the United States Federal Commissioner to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission.



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This program aims to strengthen the expertise and knowledge of South Pacific Group member States and French Polynesia, New Caledonia and American Samoa, so that they can better negotiate and cooperate in their management of Southern longline fisheries.

The training course will be provided in-person so as to maximise peer-to-peer learning and cooperation, and provide opportunities for networking. The course will be hosted at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS), in Wollongong, Australia. ANCORS has provided capacity building, training and advisory services to developing coastal and island States in the Pacific and Indian Ocean regions for over twenty years, including professional short courses in International Fisheries Negotiation since 2011. ANCORS research and advisory partnerships in the Indo-Pacific provide unique expertise for training, research, dialogues and facilitation.

The training program will be tailored for government officials currently working in fisheries, foreign affairs or legal departments, **and will be targeted at mid to senior level managers and officials**. The program will focus on legal frameworks and decision-making processes, meeting preparation and negotiations skills, tools and techniques to identify and strategically advocate national interests, and strategic development and cooperation. Participants will consider real life and hypothetical examples, engage in role-plays and scenarios, and learn about the interests and strategies of other RFMO members. Participants will also be encouraged to contact staff for mentoring support throughout the course.

Expected results and outcomes

This training is expected to provide approximately 18 participants from 9 WCPFC Members and Participating Territories with the following:

- Knowledge of international legal fisheries frameworks as they relate to Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMO), with a focus on the WCPFC
- Tools and techniques to prepare, strategise and collectively advocate for their interests in RFMO meetings
- Sub-regional networks and improved knowledge of shared interests and cooperation opportunities with other South Pacific small island developing States and territories.



Day 1 – Monday 17 July 2023 - 8:30am – 9am: Coffee

9am – 9:30am: Welcome and introductions **Quentin Hanich**

9:30am – 10am: The global order and international law **Sarah Lothian**
Global legal and institutional framework that prescribes how States interact and co-operate

10am – 10:30am: Law of the Sea, legal framework for Zone Based Management, and UN Fish Stocks Agreement **Camille Goodman**

10:30am – 10:45am: Catch attribution, access agreements and RFMOs **Ruth Davis**

10:45am – 11am: Morning tea

11am – 11:20am: A brief history of ocean cooperation **OPOC**
Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner and role, Strategy for the Blue Pacific, BBNJ

11:20am – 11:40am: A brief history of fisheries cooperation **FFA**
Roles of the FFA, PNAO and SPC – and their instruments: Regional Fisheries Roadmap and Report Cards, MTCs, Niue+, PNA VDS

11:40am – 12:30pm: Panel discussion **OPOC, FFA, Sarah, Ruth, Camille and Don**
Discussion of the interaction between international law, regional Institutions and Pacific small island developing States and territories.

12:30pm – 1:30pm: Lunch

1:30pm – 2pm: Introduction to the WCPFC: MHLC, Prep Con and Convention **Quentin**

2pm – 2:15pm: Territories, Participation and Decision-Making **Constance Rambourg**

2:15pm – 2:30pm: WCPFC pop quiz (prizes provided) **Quentin and Constance**

2:30pm – 2:45pm: Afternoon tea

2:45pm – 3:30pm: Brief presentations by three WCPFC negotiators on their experience
Masanori Miyahara, Glenn Hurry and (virtual) Liu Xiaobing

3:30pm – 4:30pm: Panel discussion **Masanori, Liu, Glenn**
Discussion of the early years of WCPFC negotiations for tropical tuna and albacore

4:30pm: ANCORS Welcome Cocktail Reception



Day 2 – Tuesday 18 July 2023 - 8:30am – 9am: Coffee

9am – 9:15am: Introduction to the day **Quentin**

9:15am – 9:45am: Gender and culture in int. negotiations - *(virtual)* **Gemma Nelson**

9:45am – 10am: Questions and discussion

10am – 10:20am: AOSIS/PSIDS cooperation & collective strategies - *(virtual)* **Gemma**

10:20am – 10:30am: Questions and discussion

10:30am – 10:45am: Morning tea

10:45am–12:30pm: Introduction to international negotiations – **Don MacKay**

This session will consider different types of negotiations, how to approach a negotiation, including identifying “interests” and “solutions”, what is required from participants in international negotiations, as well as some common negotiating mistakes.

12:30pm – 1:30pm: Lunch

1:30pm – 2pm: IOTC and precedents/challenges for SIDS – **Sinan Hussain**

2pm – 3pm: Tactics & Techniques in international negotiations - **Sinan**

3pm – 3:15pm: Afternoon tea

3:15pm – 4:15pm: Tactics & Techniques in international negotiations – **Masa**

4:15pm – 4:30pm: Strategic questions - **Quentin**

4:30pm – 5pm: Panel discussion – **Don, Masa, Sinan and Pamela Maru**

Discussion of strategic thinking, issue spotting, opportunities

Day 3 – Wednesday 19 July 2023 - 8:30am – 9am: Coffee

9am – 9:15am: Introduction to the day **Quentin**

9:15am – 9:35am: IATTC and Albacore – *(virtual)* **Ryan Wulff**

9:35am – 9:45am: Questions and discussion

9:45am – 10am: SPRFMO, compatibility and allocation – *(virtual)* **Oswaldo Urrutia**

10am – 10:10am: Questions and discussion

10:10am – 10:30am: NPFC and EEZ/HS consideration – **Masa**

10:30am – 10:45am: Morning tea

10:45am – 11:30am: Panel discussion **Sinan, Masa, Quentin**
Discussion of RFMO practice, precedents, actors and alliances

11:30am – 12:30pm: Preparation for an International Negotiation **Don**

12:30pm – 1:30pm: Lunch

1:30pm – 2pm: Preparation for an International Negotiation **Don**

2pm - 3pm: Panel discussion **Don, Sinan, Camille and (virtual) Sarah McAvinchey,**
Discussion of preparation experiences

3pm – 3:15pm: Afternoon tea

3:15pm – 5pm: Allocation exercise small groups: Part 1 – **Quentin and FFA**
Participants will break into small groups and prepare for an RFMO meeting, develop national positions, identify strategic pathways, explore potential alliances and prepare a national brief. Mentors will be available to answer questions.

6:30pm: Dinner

Day 4 – Thursday 20 July 2023

8:30am – 9am: Coffee

9am – 9:15am: Introduction to the day **Quentin**

9:15am – 9:45am: NGOs and RFMOs – *(virtual)* **Glen Holmes and Bubba Cook**

9:45am – 10:15am: Industry and RFMOs *(virtual)* **Anare Raiwalui and Radhika Kumar**

10:15am – 10:30am: Panel on Stakeholders & RFMOs: **Glen, Bubba, Anare, Radhika**

10:30am – 10:45am: Morning tea

10:45am – 11:15am: WCFC and sub-regional management of longline fisheries **FFA**
WCPFC TT and SPA CMMs, FFA Regional Longline Strategy, PNA LL VDS,

11:15am – 11:45am: SPA Weighted Model **FFA**
Inside the black box – factors, weightings, rationale

11:45am – 12:30pm: RFMO allocation models and transferability **Kamal Azmi**

12:30pm – 1:30pm: Lunch

1:30pm – 3:30pm: Allocation exercise: Part 2 – **Quentin and FFA**

3:30pm – 3:45pm: Afternoon tea

3:45pm – 4pm – SINU-ANCORS Grad Cert in Pacific Fisheries Management - **Kamal**

4pm – 5pm: Capacity building discussion - **Quentin**
Participants will be invited to discuss individual and institutional capacity building needs to strengthen their engagement and influence in RFMO negotiations

Day 5 – Friday 21 July 2023

8:30am – 9am: Coffee

9am – 9:15am: Introduction to the day **Quentin**

9:15am – 9:30am: Insights into Chairing – Part 1 **(virtual) Jung-re Riley Kim**

9:30am – 9:45am: Insights into Chairing – Part 2 **Masa**

9:45am – 10am: Insights into Chairing - Part 3 **Don**

10am – 10:30am: Panel discussion **Don, Masa, Josie Tamate and (virtual) Riley**

10:30am – 10:45am: Morning tea

10:45am – 12pm: The South pacific albacore fishery: historical overview, regional initiatives, critical review of cooperation successes and challenges **Wez Norris**

12pm – 12:30pm: Panel discussion, insights and pathways: **Wez, Pam, Don**

12:30pm – 1:30pm: Lunch

1:30pm – 2:15pm: Tropical tuna, WCPFC and UST: historical overview, cooperation, connections and interests: **Wez**

2:15pm – 3pm: Panel discussion, pathways towards allocation: **Wez, Josie, Masa, Sinan, Don**

3pm – 3:15pm: Afternoon tea

3:15pm – 3:45pm: SPG and Territories discussion of future cooperation - **SPG Chair**

3:45pm - 4pm: Closing remarks **Quentin**