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Greetings!

In this month's newsletter we highlight our new website, an employee trip to Indonesia, new and updated resources from FishWise, the 5th Annual Global Wave Conference, and a new traceability toolkit from Future of Fish.

Full articles can be found on the FishWise blog.

New FishWise Website

FishWise is thrilled to unveil our new and improved website! You will find all of the useful resources and information about our services via a redesigned, easy-to-navigate layout. Check it out here.
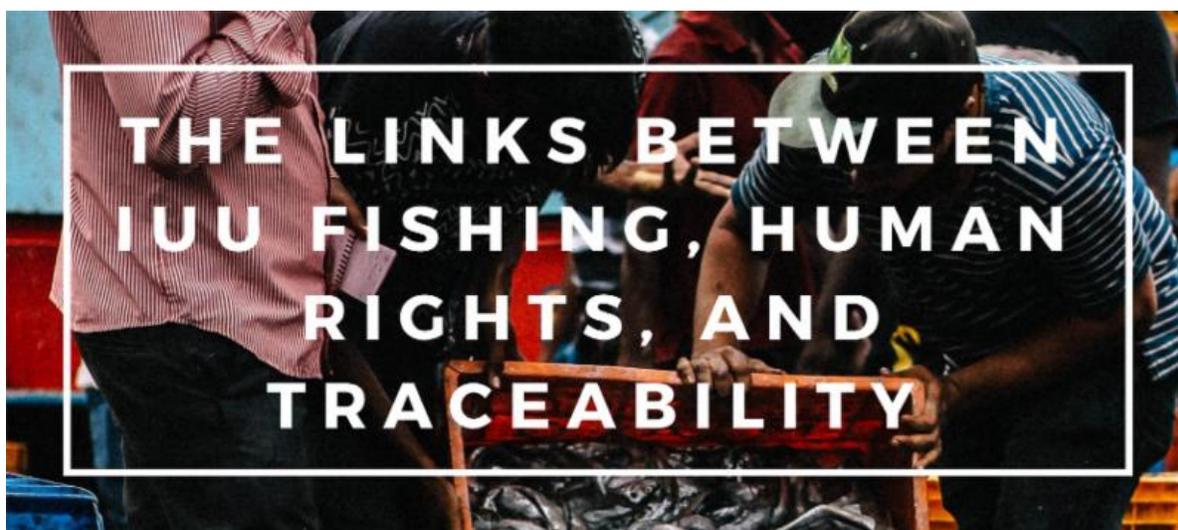
FishWise Visits North Atlantic, Inc. and Bali Seafood International in Indonesia

Senior Project Manager Erin Taylor brings you stories from her time with partner North Atlantic Inc./Bali Seafood International in Sumbawa, Indonesia this past February, where she observed a ceremony to commission NAI/BSI's new fish processing plant -a bold vision years in the making.

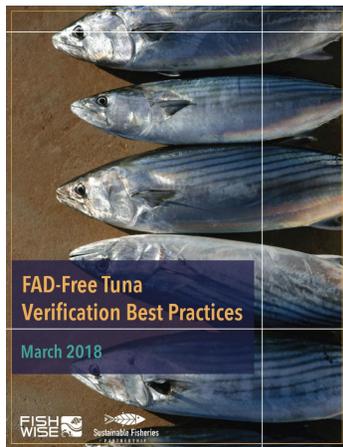Read more on our blog here.

The Links Between IUU Fishing, Human Rights, and Traceability

FishWise has updated its resource "The Links Between IUU Fishing, Human Rights, and Traceability." This document explores the connections between illegal activities in the fishing industry and how traceability can be a solution to combat these issues for various stakeholders.
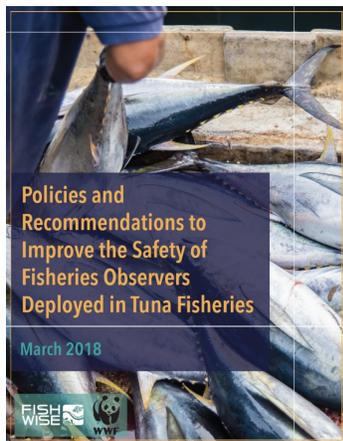
Download the document on our website here.

New FAD-Free Resources

FishWise recently released a document co-branded with Sustainable Fisheries Partnership (SFP) for FAD-free tuna verification best practices. Stemming from the NGO Tuna Forum and from interviews conducted with tuna experts, fishing industry, and fisheries observers, this document aims to identify robust mechanisms for verifying purse seine FAD-free tuna claims. It also provides recommendations and steps that seafood retailers, suppliers, fishing companies, RFMOs, and NGO can take to advocate for improvements in FAD-free tuna traceability.

Download the document on our website [here](#).

FishWise and WWF recently produced a document outlining policies and recommendations for improving the safety of fisheries observers deployed in tuna fisheries. Due to the risks observers face for their role in monitoring and compliance-including intimidation, harassment, bribery, and violence-it is imperative to advocate for their safety. The document provides information regarding the implementation of observer safety recommendations for a range of stakeholders, including regulatory authorities, NGOs, and seafood companies.

Download the document on our website [here](#).

5th Annual Global Wave Conference

FishWise Project Manager Meg Songer and Director of Advancement Lara Kilpatrick attended the 5th Annual Global Wave Conference in early March. The aim of the event was to bring together the best international minds from the surfing, conservation, and innovation communities to tackle the world's most challenging ocean issues. The issues included but were not limited to plastics, waste management, water quality, marine protection, and climate mitigation.

Read more on our blog [here](#).

Seafood Industry Traceability Toolkit

Future of Fish has launched a Seafood Industry Traceability Toolkit. Building off of the original Traceability 101 Toolkit, Future of Fish led the creation of the business-oriented toolkit, a project of the seafood traceability collaboration - a team of NGOs including FishWise, Future of Fish, Global Food Traceability Center and World Wildlife Fund. Designed specifically to meet the needs of seafood industry representatives, both seafood companies and NGOs will benefit from the various resources and tools. Like the traceability technology landscape itself, the Seafood Industry Toolkit is dynamic and will have additional tools and resources from the seafood traceability collaboration added in the coming months.

Read more in our blog [here](#).

In Case You Missed It...

Roboticists at MIT have developed a robotic fish designed to provide close-range, minimally disruptive observations of aquatic life. Read more about the story [here](#).

If you have questions, comments, or would like to contribute to the FishWise Newsletter please [contact me](#).

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