Greetings!

In this month's newsletter we highlight a new Division at FishWise, news from Albertsons Companies, our involvement at the recently concluded Seafood Summit, and our attendance at a forum on responsible recruitment in Singapore.

Full articles can be found on the FishWise blog.

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New Social Responsibility Division at FishWise

FishWise has created a Social Responsibility Division that will focus on human rights and social responsibility. Aurora Alifano has been promoted to direct this component of FishWise's work. The Traceability Division will be headed up by Mark Richardson, who joined FishWise in January 2018 as a Senior Project Director. The Seafood Alliance for Legality and Traceability (SALT) will be maintained as a stand-alone project, headed up by Jenny Barker. These teams will continue to work closely together, as well as with the business engagement and data divisions, toward advancing leadership in sustainable seafood through environmentally and socially responsible business practices.

FishWise Partner Spotlight: Albertsons Companies
Last month, FishWise partner Albertsons Companies highlighted the actions they are taking to discontinue the use of eel in sushi. These efforts are part of their industry-leading Top 5 by 2022 Commitment to improve the sustainability of sushi offered within Albertsons Companies stores.

To read more, please visit their blog.

FishWise at the Seafood Summit

FishWise staff attended the SeaWeb Seafood Summit in Barcelona, Spain late last month.

Tobias Aguirre moderated the opening plenary, "Sustainable Seafood: How Does it Stack Up?" presented at the beginning of the Summit for all attendees.

Jen Cole moderated the plenary session "Building Socially Responsible Seafood Supply Chains through Worker Voice" which included an engaging introductory panel and ensuing discussion led by industry and NGO representatives using worker voice to improve seafood supply chains.

Sara Lewis participated in "The Business Case for Traceability" with World Wildlife Fund, Future of Fish, and IFT's Global Food Traceability Center. Following brief presentations from the panel, the session divided into focus groups for facilitated discussions regarding traceability tools, implementation, and the role of industry.

Jenny Barker presented on the Seafood Alliance for Legality and Traceability (SALT) during the lightning round sessions.

Presentations from these panels and more can be found on the Summit website here.

FishWise Attends Responsible Recruitment Forum in Singapore
This June, FishWise Project Manager Cora Sorenson attended the 2018 Global Forum on Responsible Recruitment and Employment in Singapore. Responsible recruitment is an essential component of addressing forced labor in company supply chains across sectors. The conference was hosted by the Consumer Goods Forum and attended by companies such as Walmart, Mars, Nestle, Unilever, and Coca-Cola, who are tackling responsible recruitment and forced labor as priority issues. FishWise's attendance helps ensure that the work of the social responsibility division incorporates the most up-to-date strategies to approach the complex challenge of forced labor.

In Case You Missed It...

A graduate student at Scripps Institution of Oceanography - Joshua Stewart - recently discovered the world's first known manta ray nursery. Check out the video below or read more on the Scripps blog here.

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