

Biographies of Speakers

DAY-1 (2 July 2020)

Marcio Castro de Souza is a Senior Fishery Officer for trade issues at the FAO Headquarters in Rome. He is also the Secretary of the FAO Subcommittee on Fish Trade (COFI-FT), the main global forum for consultations among countries on technical and economic aspects of international trade in fish and fish products, including production and consumption; and the coordinator of GLOBEFISH – a specific FAO unit responsible for information and analysis on



international fish trade and markets. At the FAO Headquarters, his main tasks include the development of studies, projects, analysis and policy orientation on topics related to international trade on fisheries, including market access aspects and regional trade agreements; their interconnectivity and the main existing instruments regulating fisheries activities internationally, as well as their impacts on trade and sustainability. He is also the senior officer responsible for the development of fisheries training in the area of trade regulations. Mr. Castro de Souza holds a Master's Degree in International Law and Economics from the Universities of Berne, Fribourg, and Neuchâtel. Before joining FAO, he worked for the Government of Brazil in the area of agriculture and fisheries, at different senior positions always associated with foreign trade promotion and regulations.

Previously, he worked in the area of international capital markets in the banking sector, and a government agency responsible for regulating foreign trade operations in Brazil.

Mr. Apimeleki Cokanasiga is a Trade Promotion Officer at INFOFISH, and is involved in the monitoring and reviewing of fishery trade in the Asia Pacific region and beyond; collecting and analyzing price and market information on specific fishery products for the 'INFOFISH Trade News,' a fortnightly bulletin; and is a contributor to market trends and commodity update on INFOFISH International magazine. Mr. Cokanasiga obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Marine Science from the University of the South Pacific (USP) in Fiji and later his Master's Degree in Fisheries Science major in Fisheries Economics from Kagoshima University in Japan. He has worked as a Research Assistant for USP and then moved to the Ministry of Fisheries of Fiji, where he was involved in fisheries information, policy development and fisheries technical projects. He has conducted research on sedentary resources at the Kagoshima University Research Center for the Pacific Islands and published his research results in the Japan Regional Fisheries Society and International Society for Island Industry Studies.



Dr. Michael Phillips is the Director of Aquaculture and Fisheries Science with WorldFish and Director of the CGIAR Research Program on Fish Agri-Food Systems, a 5-year global research for development initiative to enhance sustainable aquaculture and small-scale fisheries. Recognized as a global leader in aquaculture research, Dr. Phillips joined WorldFish in 2008 where he has since developed a wide portfolio of research on sustainable aquaculture. Previously, he served as Program Manager at the Network of Aquaculture Centers in Asia-Pacific (NACA) where he managed the organizations' aquaculture research and development programs. He holds a Ph.D. in Aquaculture and Fish Behaviour from the University of Stirling and Bachelor's Degree in Biological Sciences from University of Lancaster.

DAY-2 (3 July 2020)



Mr. Narin Niruttinanon is currently the General Manger of Thai Union Manufacturing Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Thai Union Group Public Co., Ltd. He obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Engineering from Chulalongkorn University and Master's Degree in Business Administration from Saint Louis University. He started working at the Thai Union Group in July 1999 and still with the company up to the present. His professional background includes Marketing Director - FMCG division Thailand; Director of Chicken of the Sea, USA; Managing Director - Thai Union China; Managing Director - Purse Seine Tuna Fishing Fleet; and General Manager - Group Tuna Procurement.

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Mr. Anucha Techanitisawad is the Founder of Andaman Surimi Industries Co.,Ltd. Thailand in the Year 2000. At present, the Andaman Surimi becomes one of the leading surimi manufacturers in Thailand with more than 20 years of experience. He was the Vice President of Thai Frozen Foods Association (TFFA) in 2018 and President of Thai Surimi Industries Committee (TFFA) since 2015. Mr. Anucha studied and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Cambridge University (St. John's College), in the United Kingdom. He continued to study and complete his Master's Degree in Industrial Robotics and Automation Engineering from the Imperial College Science and Technology in London, UK. He also obtained Master's of Art degree from Cambridge University. With his knowledge in mechanical engineering and industrial automation, he has raised the standard of surimi manufacturing process with higher yield and efficiency. Mr. Anucha has been dubbed as a Guest Speaker for the well-known OSU Surimi Forum and Surimi School for the past 12 Years on Topics of Thai and Southeast Asia Surimi industries using Tropical Fish. He is well known to all Surimi Experts, Surimi Industry Traders and Manufacturers in USA, Japan, Korea, Europe, India and all Southeast Asian countries. Recently, he started a new JV surimi factory in Indonesia, PT. Indonesia Bahari Lestari.

Mr. Isara Chanrachakij is a Researcher and is the Head of Research and Development Division of SEAFDEC Training Department in Samut Prakan, Thailand. Mr. Isara Chanrachakij holds a Master's Degree in Marine Science with minor field is fisheries management from the Faculty of Fisheries, Kasetsart University, Thailand. His background is on fishing technology and impact of fishing on the ecosystems. Recently, he has served as an instructor of the training course on Essential Ecosystem Approach Fisheries Management at SEAFDEC Training Department.



Dr. Panisuan Jamnarwej is currently the Director at Pakfood and President Emeritus of Thai Frozen Food Association (TFFA), Vice Chairman of the National Strategy Committee (NSC) on Fishery and Downstream Industries; Vice Chairman of the NSC on Labor and Skills Development, and President of Standard and Quality Association of Thailand. At Pakfood, he was the Vice Senior Chairman of (1993-2003), Vice Chairman and Managing Director (2000-2013), Vice Chairman and Senior Manager (2013-2014), and President of the TFFA (since 2015 to date).

At the international level, Dr. Panisuan serves as Chairman of ASEAN Seafood Federation; and Subcommittee Member on International Food Standards of the Office of the Agricultural Product Standards and National Food. At the national level, he is working as the Food Group Consultant of the Federation of Thai Industries; Committee Member of Trade Development and Promotion of the Thai Chamber of Commerce - Board of Trade of Thailand; Vice Chairman of Fisheries Business Committee and Labor Committee of Thai Chamber of Commerce - Board of Trade of Thailand; President of Thai Standards and Quality Association; Expert Committee and Management Committee of National Institute of Metrology; Management Committee and Inspection Committee of National Food Institute; Management Committee on Shrimp Products - Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives.

Dr. Panisuan obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering from Chulalongkorn University; Master's Degree in Industrial Engineering and Ph.D. through the Ananda Mahidol Foundation Scholarship on Industrial and Systems Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology. He is a professor at Sasin Graduate Institute of Business Administration, a permanent lecturer at Chulalongkorn University and Chief of Information and Computer Service Center (1986-1994); a professor for Master of Manufacturing Management at CU-Warwick joint program, and Executive MBA (1995 to 2014) of the Faculty of Commerce & Accountancy, Chulalongkorn University (1995 to date).

Mr. Bundit Kullavanijaya works as the Chief of Vessel Monitoring System Group, Fishing and Fleets Management at the Department of Fisheries in Thailand since 2015 after the Royal Thai Government introduced and installed the VMS tracking system on all Thai-flagged domestic vessels more than 30 GT. Prior to his current position, he was former Chief of Ladkrabang Fish Inspection Office and former Chief of Suvarnabhumi Airport Fish Inspection Office, where he task focused on the enforcement of CITES measures. Mr. Bundit graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Fisheries (Aquaculture) from Kasetsart University and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Law from Sripatum University. He continued to study and complete his Master's Degree in Environmental Science from Burapha University. As Chief of the VMS group, Mr. Bundit works closely with staff to analyze the activities at sea of fishing vessels and ensure their compliance with both Thai and International regulations. Over the years, Mr. Bundit has overseen and improved the processes for identifying and reporting cases of possible non-compliance, including implementing machine learning alerts for illegal activities such as fishing inside closed areas.



Ms. To Tuong Lan is the Deputy General Secretary of Vietnam Association of Seafood Exporters and Producers (VASEP). Her responsibilities with VASEP include: as promotional and marketing planner for VASEP and its members in exporting activities; Member of VASEP in the Pangasius Committee Board including the leading Pangasius processors and exporters; works on behalf of VASEP, with projects of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) of Viet Nam on areas related to the development of the Pangasius industry for export.