



The Centre for Fisheries and Aquaculture Management and Economics (FAME); and the Nordic Network in Resource and Fisheries Economics and Management (NorFame) is arranging:

**Workshop on:**

**New Developments in Rights-based Fisheries Management:  
Community Fishing Rights**

**29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2005 University of Southern Denmark – Esbjerg – Denmark**

**Guest lecturers**

Professor Susan Hanna, Oregon State University  
Professor Jon Sutinen, University of Rhode Island  
Professor Ragnar Arnason, University of Iceland  
Dr. Rebecca Metzner, Fishery Officer, FAO

**Background**

Recent decades have seen great advances in fisheries management worldwide. Property rights-based fisheries management tools, especially individual fishing quotas, are increasingly employed around the world with generally favorable economic and biological results. Currently, close to 15% of the global ocean harvest is taken under individual transferable quotas (ITQs) and this percentage is expanding every year.

The success of centrally imposed ITQs should not, however, close our eyes to the fact that there are many fisheries in the world which for social and technical reasons are not amenable to this particular solution to the fisheries problem. This applies for instance to most of the world's artisanal fisheries — a class of fisheries accounting for perhaps 40% of the global value of landings and crucial supplier of inexpensive food in many underdeveloped countries. It also applies to many fisheries in the developed world. For these fisheries a different type of fishing rights, based on community ownership and enforcement, may well be more appropriate.

This workshop attempts to deal with these issues. Its primary aim is to delineate conditions under which community fishing rights will both be welfare enhancing and preferable to other forms of fisheries management. For this purpose the available theory on community fisheries management will be examined and the empirical evidence reviewed.

The workshop will be organized around the following topics

1. Fisheries management: Background
2. Why community fisheries management? Advantages and disadvantages
3. Structure of community fisheries management. How should it be structured
4. Applicability of community fisheries management: Where can/should it be applied?
5. Empirical examples of community fisheries management: Successes, failures
6. The future of community fisheries management: Can it lead to self-management?

Ph.D. students from the Nordic countries are also invited to present their work in the area of community fisheries management.

### **Participation**

The workshop is free of charge for anyone wishing to participate. Travel and Accommodation expenses are covered for a limited number of participants from the Nordic and Baltic countries by a grant from NordForsk. Please notify us when you enrol.

Oral presentations of papers and poster presentations are possible and encouraged, please notify [fame@sam.sdu.dk](mailto:fame@sam.sdu.dk)

Deadline for enrolment is 12<sup>th</sup> August 2005

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### **Venue**

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