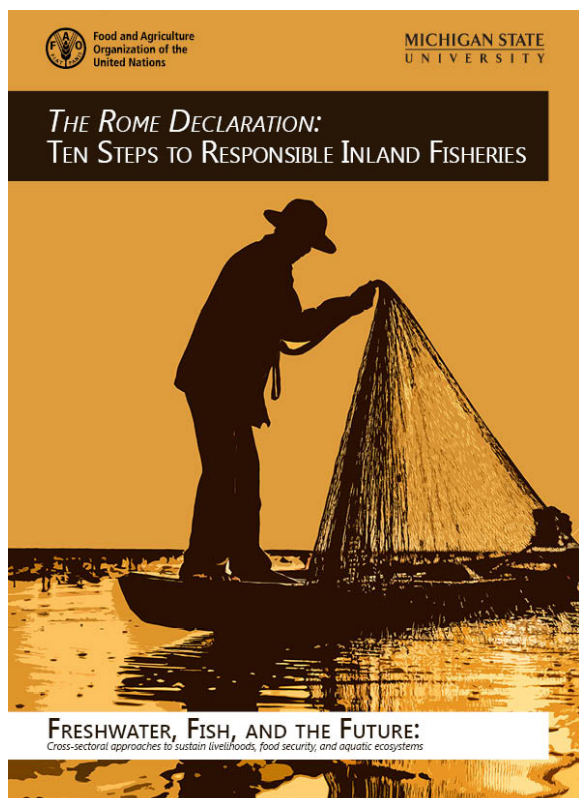




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# FRESHWATER, FISH AND THE FUTURE



We invite you to the launch of the FAO/ Michigan State University/American Fisheries Society publication of *Freshwater, Fish and the Future*, the proceedings of the 2015 Global Conference on Inland Fisheries. We will also introduce the *Ten Steps to Responsible Inland Fisheries*, which are the synthesized recommendations of the conference.

Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served, courtesy of Michigan State University (MSU).

**THURSDAY, JULY 14**

**18:00 - 20:00**

**AVENTINO ROOM (8TH FLOOR)**

## SPEAKERS

- June Pierce Youatt, Provost, MSU
- Árni Mathiesen, Assistant Director-General Fisheries and Aquaculture Department, FAO
- Steven Hanson, Dean for International Studies and Programs, MSU
- William Taylor, Distinguished Professor in Global Fisheries Systems, MSU
- Devin Bartley, Robin Welcomme Scholar, MSU
- Master of Ceremonies, Simon Funge-Smith, Senior Fishery Resources Officer, FAO

## A GLOBAL INLAND FISHERIES PARTNERSHIP

FAO and MSU are collaborating to bring greater awareness of the value and sustainability challenges of inland fisheries around the world. Freshwater fish provide food, livelihoods, and ecosystem services to millions of people, especially in low-income countries, yet their value is not adequately considered in water use, energy, and development decisions.

With the publication of the proceedings and ten steps recommendations, the next step is regional implementation planning. FAO is working on updating the global state of inland fishery resources and developing projects. MSU is supporting this effort with faculty positions, internships, a visiting scholars and immersive experience program, and an upcoming online course on inland fisheries that will be available to students from around the world.