



Philippines Small-Scale Fisheries National Symposium

ABSTRACT GUIDELINES FOR THE SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

The 2nd Philippines Small-Scale Fisheries National Symposium (PSSFNS 2), with the theme *From Recognition to Action: Advancing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Philippines*, welcomes the submission of abstracts for papers for individual presentation in scientific oral and poster sessions/competitions

This is open to anyone interested in presenting work done in small-scale fisheries under regular concurrent sessions as an oral presentation or as poster presentation, or as an entry to student oral speed presentation competition or student poster presentation competition.

- **Oral presentation:** Oral presentation is for 12 minutes and is one in a series of papers in a 1- to- 1.5-hour theme session. There will be a question-and-answer time after the presentations. Whenever necessary, additional instruction will be provided to authors of the accepted abstract. (*Note: The scientific program committee has the authority to assign a paper intended for oral session to the poster session and vice versa if deemed more suitable in that category.)
- **Poster presentation:** Accepted posters will be displayed at the symposium venue during the duration of the symposium. Poster guidelines will be sent to the author of the accepted abstract.
- **Student oral speed presentation competition:** Students joining this competition must indicate “student oral speed presentation competition” as an abstract category in the abstract submission form provided below and also in the abstract to be submitted. Authors of accepted abstracts for the competition shall submit a 5-minute recorded video of the presentation and the script of the oral speed presentation by 08 October 2025 (*23:59, The Philippines Time, UTC+8). Winners will be announced during the closing ceremony. See more details on this competition through this link: [student oral speed presentation competition](#).
- **Student poster presentation competition:** Students who will join in this competition must indicate “student poster presentation competition” as an abstract category in the abstract submission form provided below and also in the abstract to be submitted. The digital poster must be submitted to the organizer by 08 October 2025 (*23:59, The Philippines Time, UTC+8). More instruction will be provided to authors of the accepted abstract. Winners will be announced during the closing ceremony. See more details on this competition through this link: [student poster presentation competition](#).

Abstracts are to be submitted under the following scientific session themes:

- **Inland and Marine SSF** – Examines the dynamics, challenges, and sustainability of small-scale fisheries (SSF) in both inland and marine ecosystems.



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- **SSF Management and Governance** – Focuses on policies, regulations, community-based management, and governance frameworks for SSF sustainability.
- **Economics of SSF** – Explores market systems, value chains, livelihoods, and economic opportunities within the SSF sector.
- **Socio-Cultural Aspects of SSF** – Highlights the cultural heritage, traditions, and social dimensions shaping SSF communities.
- **Climate Change and Resilience of SSF** – Investigates the impacts of climate change on SSF and strategies for adaptation and resilience.
- **Gender in SSF** – Addresses gender roles, contributions, and challenges in SSF, emphasizing inclusivity and empowerment.
- **Technology and Innovation in SSF** – Showcases advancements in tools, techniques, and digital solutions for improving SSF sustainability.
- **Arts and SSF** – Explores artistic expressions, storytelling, and creative initiatives that promote SSF awareness and advocacy.

Only student research finished during the last three school years (2021-2022, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025) qualify for the student competitions. Students accepted to join the oral speed presentation and/or the poster presentation competition shall submit proof of being a student during the conduct of the research such as certificate of school registration or enrolment or certification from the adviser.

Please do not hesitate to submit your abstract to PSSFNS2, even if your topic does not fit neatly into one of the session themes above.

The official language of the Symposium is English; hence submitted Abstracts must be in English. Use only one-page, Standard A4 paper (portrait). The margin should be set at 1.5” for the top and 1” for the sides and bottom. Please refer to the abstract template for the detailed formatting requirement.

The abstract should be saved and submitted in MS Word format. The filename should be in this format: *Symposium theme Keyword_Surname of corresponding author_First Three Words of Abstract Title*

Symposium theme

- Theme 1: Inland and marine SSF
- Theme 2: SSF management and governance
- Theme 3: Economics of SSF
- Theme 4: Socio-cultural aspects of SSF
- Theme 5: Climate change and resilience of SSF
- Theme 6: Gender in SSF
- Theme 7: Technology and innovation in SSF
- Theme 8: Arts and SSF

Keyword

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The Program Committee will assess abstracts based on technical merit and relevance to the symposium themes. The decision of the Program Committee is final and non-negotiable.

Only abstracts of registered authors will be included in the Book of Abstracts and Souvenir Program.

- Authors of accepted extended abstracts for oral presentation agree to submit to the symposium organizer their presentation on or before 15 October 2025. The presentation should be saved as **Microsoft PowerPoint Format (at least 2010 version)** with slide numbers at the lower right corner. The Secretariat will no longer accept presentations on the day of the symposium.
- Authors of accepted extended abstracts for poster presentation agree to submit their poster to the symposium organizer by 15 October 2025 and remove them by 23 October 2025 after the closing program. The poster will be made available for viewing during the three-day duration of the symposium.

Only accepted abstracts of symposium-registered authors will be included in the Book of Abstracts and Souvenir Program, and allowed for presentation. Furthermore, only extended Abstracts will be published in the symposium Proceedings.

The deadline for submission of abstracts is 30 June 2025 (*23:59, The Philippines Time, UTC+8). All abstracts will undergo a review by the committee assigned to the session under which the abstract was submitted. Notifications for accepted papers and sessions will be sent out not later than 18 July 2025. Authors of accepted abstracts must register for the symposium on or before 22 September 2025. Final submission of extended abstracts is on or before 18 August 2025 for inclusion in the symposium Proceedings.

All student competition entries must be submitted on 08 October 2025 and regular presentations on 15 October 2025. Please email to pssfns2@msumain.edu.ph