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Welcome to the March 2023 FRDC News.

It's been another busy month for the FRDC team and our stakeholders - with events, festivals and conferences around the country, proudly supported by FRDC. Be sure to [check out some of the highlights](#).

A big [congratulations](#) to Tristan Guillemin, the winner of FRDC's 2023 'Science and Innovation Award' which was announced at the recent ABARES Outlook conference held in Canberra.

Also in March's FRDC news, we're taking a closer look at a new national committee established to guide research priorities for the recreational fishing sector, how we're helping coordinate veterinary medicine permit applications, plus much more.

As always, we're keen to get your feedback and story suggestions. Please submit them in this [form](#) and the [Communications Team](#) will be in touch.

FRDC acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia, and recognises their continuing connection to lands, waters and culture. We pay our respect to Elders past and present.

TOP STORIES



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National body to bolster rec fishing research

The release of the *National Social and Economic Recreational Fishing Survey*, highlighted the positive economic and health benefits of recreational fishing for Australians and coincided with the development of a new national recreational fishing committee.

This reflects [R&D Plan Outcomes 1, 3 and 5](#)

Streamlined process improves access to aquaculture medicines

An FRDC-supported project is helping to better coordinate applications for vital veterinary medicines, reducing duplication and saving the aquaculture sector time and money.

This reflects [R&D Plan Outcomes 2, 3 and 4](#)



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Collaboration on circular economy initiatives

Cross sector collaborations focused on regional needs would help the fishing and aquaculture sector expand circular economy initiatives.

Circular economy principles and practices are already embedded in some Australian fishing and aquaculture operations but there are opportunities to do more according to a new study examining current practices.

This reflects [R&D Plan Outcomes 1, 2, 3 and 5](#)

Workshop calls for greater inclusion of First Nations

Twenty delegates from Australian and New Zealand First Nations communities attended an Indigenous workshop on the importance of Sea Country during the International Seaweed Symposium held in Hobart.

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Two Marlins, one stone

Tristan Guillemin, the winner of FRDC's 2023 'Science and Innovation Award', talks about his award-winning project and how he was able to 'kill two birds with one stone'.

The Science and Innovation Awards recognise Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry who undertake innovative science projects that contribute to the ongoing success and sustainability of Australia's agricultural industries.

This reflects R&D Plan Outcomes 1 and 3 and Enabling Strategies II, III and IV

Out and about engaging with stakeholders

FRDC has undertaken a number of valuable stakeholder engagement activities through the events we have sponsored and that our Directors and staff have attended over the last month.

This reflects R&D Plan Outcomes 1, 2 and 5



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Building safety and resilience in the Australian seafood industry

A program of work run by SafeFish and funded by the FRDC has been specifically designed to increase awareness of food safety and build resilience for the Australian seafood industry.

This reflects R&D Plan Outcomes 2, 3 and 4

IN BRIEF

- [Registrations](#) are open for the [World Aquaculture conference](#) being held in Darwin from 29 May to 1 June 2023. The event will feature keynote speakers, innovative research, workshops, tours, and world class sunsets. Plus, over 80 exhibitors and a dynamic program of events, will explore the theme, Supporting Strength in Aquaculture. Register and lock in your accommodation early to avoid disappointment.
- The [National Marine Science Committee](#) has released three new reports, providing valuable insights for marine scientists and industry leaders in Australia. View the reports at <https://www.marinescience.net.au/workinggroups>
- The [Global Seafood Expo](#) is the global seafood marketplace, serving industry professionals and buyers from all corners of the supply chain and world. The [event](#) is happening from 25-27 April 2023 in Barcelona, Spain.
- A [paper](#) that forms part of the [FRDC Project 2019-143](#) co-authored by Beau Jayde Cubillo, PhD Student at Monash University and in partnership with Charles Darwin University, Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation and has been published in [Science Direct \(Food Policy\) online journal](#).

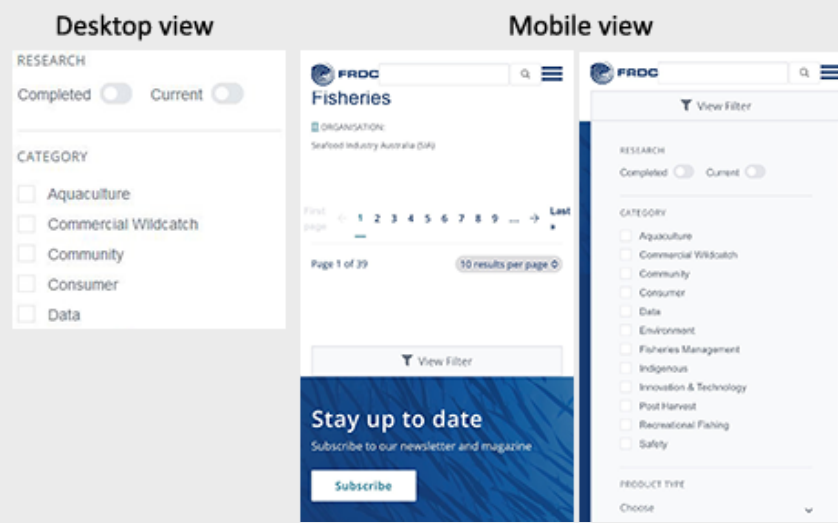
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MOVERS

- **Emma Lee** has left Swinburne University of Technology to take up a role as Professor at Federation University of Australia
- **Jasmin Kelly** has joined Seafood Industry Australia as Stakeholder Engagement Manager

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