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## V2V Thematic Webinar Series 2021

### VULNERABILITY AND VIABILITY OF SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES: DRIVERS AND PROSPECTS

Tune in to hear Dr. Silvia Salas discuss key drivers of change in Latin America that affect various small-scale fisheries within and around the region. In her presentation, Silvia will discuss general concepts associated with vulnerability, viability, and adaptive responses in fisheries.

**WHEN:** Friday, April 30, 2021

**TIME:** 1:00 PM UTC to 2:15 PM UTC

**LINK:** <https://youtu.be/efefYAern14>



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Seafood demand has increased in the last decades accelerating the exploitation patterns of marine resources, with consequent impacts on the ecosystems and the livelihoods of coastal people. Key drivers such as coastal development and environmental change creates synergistic effects over coastal areas. Silvia provides insights on some of the most common drivers of change, both globally and regionally (within Latin America), that can affect the sustainability and viability of small-scale fisheries. She will outline general concepts associated with vulnerability, viability, and adaptive responses in fisheries and present a number of tools useful to respond to the issues influencing small-scale fisheries as complex and dynamic systems. Silvia's talk concludes with discussion on novel approaches to mitigate the impacts of multilevel drivers and need to designing governance responses for viability of coastal fisheries systems.



#### **SPEAKER BIO:**

Silvia Salas is a fisheries scientist working at Cinvestav Mérida, Mexico. She holds a Ph.D in Resource Management and Environment Studies from the University of British Columbia, Canada. She also worked as a postdoctoral fellow at Saint Mary's University, Canada. Silvia has conducted empirical research on several issues associated with small-scale fisheries such as bioeconomic assessment of fisheries, risk and vulnerability associated with decompression of divers in commercial fisheries and environmental impacts, and fisheries value chains, fishing fleet dynamics and fisher's behavior. She is a Member of the Mexican Academy of Science, TBTI International SSF Network, Network of Seas and Coasts in Mexico, NAAFE and IIFET, Grouper's Network in Yucatan in Mexico and a co-investigator of the V2V Global Partnership. Her research has been published in six books (FAO, Springer, and Ed. Pen. Mex.) and in a variety of journals (Fish and Fisheries, Marine Policy, Fisheries Research, Canadian Journal of Fisheries, Ambios, Peer J, Regional Studies in Marine Science, Fisheries Management and Ecology, Underseas and Hyperbaric, medical society, among others). Silvia has served as an expert with FAO, WTO, WWF, OECD, has contributed to the development of management plans in Mexico and has served as advisor to fishers for different projects in Mexico.