

NEW ADDITION TO AQUACULTURE GROUP



Cecile Brugere joined the Development Planning Service (FIPP) of the Fisheries Policy and Planning Division (FIP) on 22 September 2003 as Fishery Planning Analyst (Aquaculture Economics). Ms Brugere has obtained her PhD in Agricultural Economics at Newcastle University in late 2002 after having obtained a Masters degree in Ecological Economics at Edinburgh University in 1996 and a Business Management Certificate in Bordeaux, France. She worked as a biological surveyor for a Scottish charity before starting as a Research Assistant (aquaculture socio-economics) at the Institute of Aquaculture in Stirling in 1998. During this post, she spent some time in Bangladesh studying community and gender impacts of small-scale cage aquaculture development. A large component of her PhD dealt with the integration of poverty-focused aquaculture in irrigation systems, for which she undertook micro-economic and livelihood investigations as part of her field work in southern India and Sri Lanka. Previous studies led her to investigate

issues surrounding the participation of women in aquaculture in Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia. She is the co-author of five peer-reviewed papers and has written a number of other reports and articles on aquaculture. Her interests lie mainly in integrated approaches to aquaculture development and in the measurement of its social and economic benefits (improved livelihoods, poverty alleviation, gender relations and resource allocation).

In FIPP, Ms Brugere joins the aquaculture team composed of Nathanael Hishamunda and Raymon van Anrooy. This team works very closely with FIRI. Her role will be to work towards the incorporation of economic analysis in the development and application of policies and strategies aimed at ensuring sustained livelihoods for all beneficiaries of aquaculture. She can be contacted by telephone at +39 06 570 54410 or by email at cecile.brugere@fao.org.