

**Symposium on Mitigating Impacts of Fishing on Pelagic Ecosystems:
Towards Ecosystem-based Management of Tuna Fisheries
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PRESENTATION OF THE KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



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Is it good or bad to fish with FADs?

Dr. Kim Holland is a Researcher at the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology and Senior Research Fellow at the Joint Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research, University of Hawaii. Dr. Holland has pioneered the use of electronic tagging in the study of the behavior of pelagic fishes such as tunas and marlins.

Dr. Restrepo currently serves as Chair of the ISSF Scientific Advisory Committee. Previously, he worked with the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT). He has also served as the Chief of the NOAA/NMFS Sustainable Fisheries Division in the southeast USA, where he acted as head scientist of the USA Delegation to ICCAT.

A French senior scientist working for the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (France), Laurent Dagorn is currently the coordinator of the FP7 EU project [MADE](#) dealing with the mitigation of adverse ecological impacts of open ocean fisheries (tuna purse seiners and longliners) in the Indian ocean, Atlantic ocean and the Mediterranean Sea. He is a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the International Seafood Sustainability Foundation (ISSF), and chairs the ISSF Bycatch project committee.

Dr Holland, Restrepo and Dagorn will review the current state of scientific knowledge of fishing on FADs and current management strategies, to encourage objective discussion of the topic and highlight areas worthy of future research.