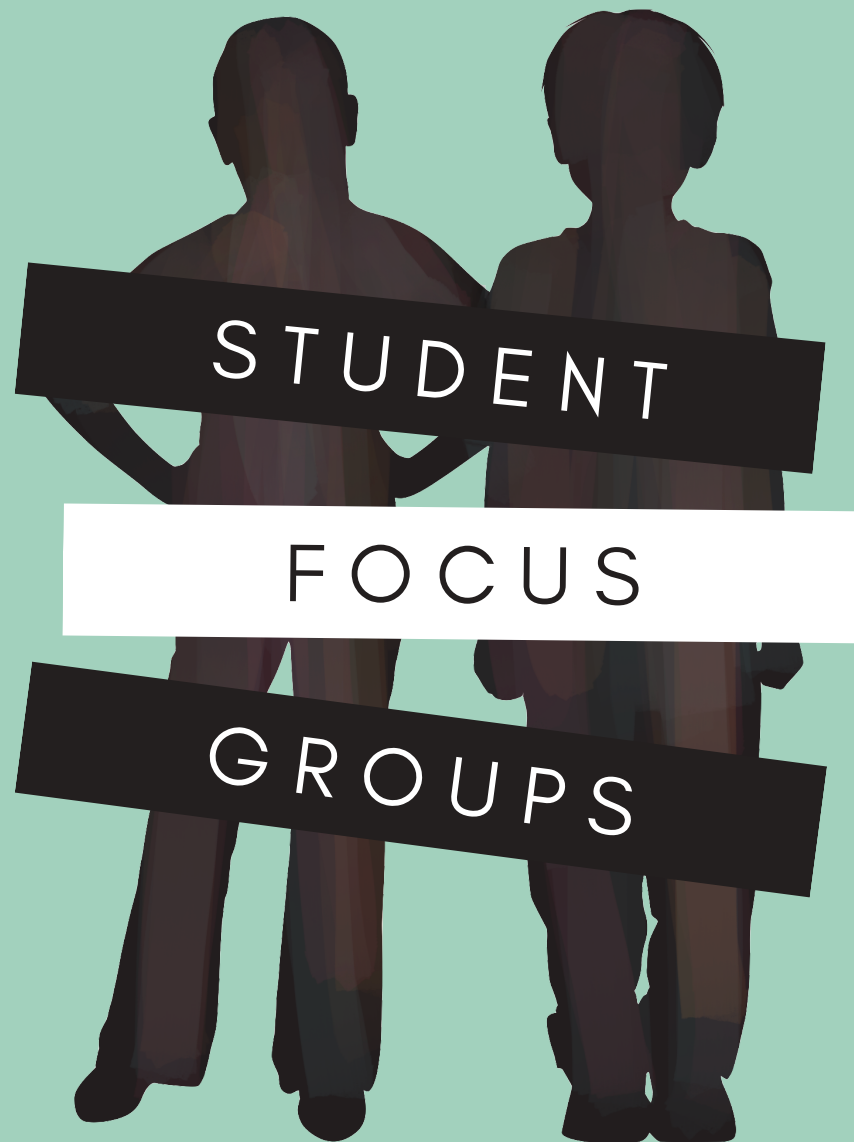


SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES GUIDELINES  
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT & AWARENESS PILOT  
WITH RURAL SCHOOLS IN FISHING COMMUNITIES



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**PROPOSAL TO THE  
LIGHTHOUSE FOUNDATION**  
SUBMISSION DATE  
AUGUST 27, 2021

# PROPOSAL

Rural students (ages 10-18) and local educators from small-scale fishing (SSF) communities in Latin America, Africa, Southeast Asia, French Polynesia, the Mediterranean, and the African continent form focus groups to offer their nuanced perspectives on the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nation's Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication (SSF Guidelines) as an exploratory curriculum, student workbook, and teacher's guide.

Leveraging the SSF Guidelines Student Focus Groups through a Youth-led Participatory Action Research approach to positive youth and community development, rural participants are trained to conduct systematic research focused on their local fishery in the context of food security, natural-cultural heritage, health, livelihoods, gender equity, and human rights, to improve their lives, their communities, and the institutions intended to serve them. National Geographic Explorers, including marine scientists and transmedia storytellers, will join focus groups virtually via Zoom or Whatsapp and support students to share their perspectives, generating findings that provide insights into social-ecological issues faced by their SSF, as well as incorporate resources that matter in helping solve those issues into the curriculum materials. The focus groups strive to promote young people's sociopolitical development and psychological empowerment such that they understand the roots of problems facing their SSF communities and have the skills and motivation to take action in the framework of the SSF Guidelines and the new educational components.

Through participatory photography, stop-motion animations, ArcGIS Storymaps, and other transmedia tools, students and their teachers utilize tablets to share their findings and inputs rooted in young people's experiences and fortified by science.

## **TIMELINE - 12 MONTHS**

November 2021 marks the beginning of the **International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture (IYAFA 2022)**, and student focus groups sessions will start. Supported by local nonprofits connected with the local educational instruction in their fishing community, students, educators, and school administrators will follow a 12-month program guiding focus groups through the SSF Guidelines and offering ample space, tools, training, and activities for their honest inputs on the curriculum package. Participants will share insights through open-ended questionnaires and homework assignments that utilize their SSF village as a classroom. Students will work with the curriculum development team through the post-production of the curriculum package due to the FAO by the culmination of IYAFA 2022 in late November 2022.

# BUDGET PER SCHOOL

TYPE		Count	Sum		Sum	Sum
Personnel		5	\$250.00		60	\$3,000.00
CATEGORY		5	\$250.00		60	\$3,000.00
Honorarium						
1	Local Teacher		\$50.00	Monthly	12	\$600.00
2	School Director		\$50.00	Monthly	12	\$600.00
3	Local Nonprofit Partner Coordinator		\$50.00	Monthly	12	\$600.00
4	SSF Student Focus Group Internatinal Coordinator		\$60.00	Monthly	12	\$720.00
5	SSF Student Focus Group International Coordinator (Graduate Student)		\$40.00	Monthly	12	\$480.00
+						
Administration & Operational Costs		...	\$1,450.00		3	\$1,450.00
CATEGORY		3	\$1,450.00		3	\$1,450.00
Administrative Costs						
6	Monitoring & Evaluation Reporting		\$150.00	Overall	1	\$150.00
7	Supportive, Unanticipated, or Emergency Costs		\$100.00	Overall	1	\$100.00
8	Translation Costs		\$1,200.00	Overall	1	\$1,200.00
+						
TYPE		Count	Sum		Sum	Sum
SSF Student Focus Group Package		4	\$476.00		13	\$926.00
CATEGORY		1	\$60.00		1	\$60.00
Travel						
9	Local Transportation to Field Sites (Taxis, Motos, Combis, etc).		\$60.00	Overall	1	\$60.00
+						
CATEGORY		1	\$50.00		10	\$500.00
Honorarium						
10	Virutal Facilitators		\$50.00	Per Workshop	10	\$500.00
+						
CATEGORY		2	\$366.00		2	\$366.00
Equipment						
11	Papers, Paints, and Additional Art Supplies		\$90.00	Expense	1	\$90.00
12	Tablet for Zoom Calls, Animation Creation, Surveys, Whatsapp, etc. + Shipping		\$276.00	Expense	1	\$276.00
+						
+		12 records	\$2,176.00		76	\$5,376.00

**TOTAL PER SCHOOL = \$5,376.00**

**NUMBER OF SCHOOLS = 3 - 10\***

**TOTAL BUDGET = \$21,504 - \$53,760**

\* For a diverse and inclusive student base, a minimum of three schools from three distinct world regions is included. However, the curriculum development team seeks, ideally, upwards of ten schools to accurately represent SSF communities across geographies, climates, oceans, cultures, etc.



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