

SMITH MEMORIAL LECTURE AND BOOK LAUNCH

Coastal Fishes of the Western Indian Ocean



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PROGRAMME | 29 SEPTEMBER 2022 | 18H00

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
18h00–18h05 (5 minutes)	Welcome and opening	Dr Clifford Nxomani – DCEO National Research Infrastructure Platforms, NRF
18h05–18h10 (5 minutes)	Introduction – <i>the Smith Memorial Lecture and SAIAB's legacy</i>	Chairperson: Dr Angus Paterson – Managing Director NRF-SAIAB
18h10–18h20 (10 minutes)	<i>CFWIO in the context of the South African National System of Innovation and Official launch of the online version</i>	Dr Phil Mjwara – Director General, Department of Science and Innovation (DSI)
18h20–18h30 (10 minutes)	<i>Relevance for sustainable fisheries, scientific output and capacity building: practical examples from the FAO/EAF-Nansen Programme</i>	Dr Peter Nick Psomadakis – FAO Consultant and NRF-SAIAB Research Associate
18h30–19h00 (2 × 15 minutes)	The Editors	
	<i>Connections – How the book came to be</i>	Wouter Holleman – Content Editor NRF-SAIAB Research Associate
	<i>Beyond Jaws: Searching for Lost Sharks in the Western Indian Ocean</i>	Dr Dave Ebert – Editor Volume 1 Director – Pacific Shark Research Center, Moss Landing Marine Laboratories and NRF-SAIAB Research Associate
19h00–19h25 (20 minutes)	Q & A	Chaired by Dr Angus Paterson
19h25–19h30	Vote of thanks and closure	Dr Clifford Nxomani – DCEO National Research Infrastructure Platforms, NRF



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Launch of the Coastal Fishes of the Western Indian Ocean

Guest Speakers



DR PETER NICK PSOMADAKIS

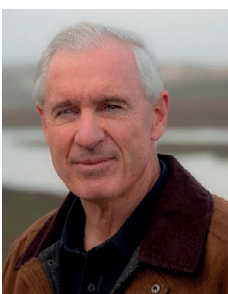
Is an internationally-recognized ichthyologist working on the taxonomy and biodiversity component for the EAF-Nansen Programme of FAO. He has participated in several surveys onboard the Programme's R/V *Dr Fridtjof Nansen* as the reference taxonomist and led numerous taxonomy training courses at the national/regional level in Africa and South East Asia. He is also the author of numerous scientific articles (including several fish species new to science), as well as a number of FAO species identification guides, including the recently published "*Field Identification Guide to the Living Resources of Myanmar*". He collaborates also with the South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity (NRF-SAIAB) where he presently holds a Research Associate position. He contributed the Scientific Foreword to the *Coastal Fishes of the Western Indian Ocean*.



WOUTER HOLLEMAN

Worked at the JLB Smith Institute post-Honours for its first Director, Professor Margaret Mary Smith in 1976 and 1977. He moved to the Albany Museum at end of 1977 as Deputy Director, and was appointed Director from 1996.

Wouter took early retirement in 2000 and was appointed as a Research Associate of JLB Smith Institute by Director, Professor Paul Skelton. He became involved in the *Coastal Fishes of the Western Indian Ocean* book project in 2004.



DR DAVE EBERT

Director of the Pacific Shark Research Center, has devoted his life to studying the ocean's most elusive, dangerous and yet fascinating predator – the shark! Author of 35 books, including the popular "*Sharks of the World*", and over 700 publications, Dave holds numerous positions including past President of the American Elasmobranch Society, Scientific Advisor to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, Research Associate at the California Academy of Sciences and South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity, and the IUCN Shark Specialist Group. A popular television guest, Dave has appeared on various programs for the BBC, Discovery Channel, National Geographic, ABC's Good Morning America, NBC's Today Show and NBC News. As a regular on Shark Week, Dave has lead expeditions in search of the rarest, most elusive sharks in the world. He has even discovered new shark species while filming on location. Dave is co-host of the popular podcast Beyond Jaws, where he shares stories from his latest explorations and interviews leaders in the field.

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