This year marks the 20th anniversary of the sustainable seafood movement. A number of NGOs, businesses, and producers have put considerable effort into educating consumers and influencing seafood sustainability throughout the supply chain. This talk will summarize some of the global trends and future priorities of market-based marine conservation initiatives with a particular focus on Ocean Wise in Canada. Dr. Al-Abdulrazzak will discuss the market forces that help drive change on the water as well as the limitations such as the ability to influence fisheries sustainability in developing countries.

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