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SUSTAINABLE FISHING: MULTI-DISCIPLINARY APPROACHES PROVIDE GREATER INSIGHT INTO SOLUTIONS

8 September 2008, Stockholm and Uppsala: According to the IUCN 'Red List of Endangered Species' 46 to 86 percent of the world's known species of sea creatures are at risk of extinction. In the wake of such statistics, policies to support and engender sustainable fishing would seem to offer a win-win situation for eco-systems and fisheries alike. Yet, Sociologist Gloria Gallardo's new book *From Seascapes of Extinction to Seascapes of Confidence* demonstrates that the road to sustainable harvests and stable economic solutions is paved with power struggles and financial turbulence. Within an arena that has been dominated by biologists, Gallardo offers unique insights into the day-to-day struggles, political battles, family relations, and other sociological and economic issues that provide a foundation upon which successful policies can be formulated and implemented. Policies that provide for "the commons" and are based on a co-management system involving *all* stakeholders can be largely successful. The lessons learned from the two coves at the heart of Gallardo's study offer hope for the world's oceans and an important complement to biological studies of endangered species.

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In addition of being a Senior Researcher, Gloria Gallardo is also the Director of Research Studies (Cefo) at the Centre for Environment and Development Studies (CEMUS) which is part of the interdisciplinary *Centre for Sustainable Development (CSD)*, a joint research center for Uppsala University and the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences. She has written extensively on agricultural communities, communal land ownership, land tenancy, rural development, property rights, natural resource management and agrarian and economic history, among other topics.

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More information on *From Seascapes of Extinction to Seascapes of Confidence*, see the book's homepage, including two interviews (English and Spanish) with the author at: www.co-action.net/books/Gallardo.

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