National Seafood Industry Leadership Program 2021
Graduate Biographies

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Delahay Miller is the Manager, Aboriginal Traditional Fishing at the Department of Primary Industries and Regions and has experience in fisheries management, compliance and research, strategic planning, policy development, program delivery and Aboriginal affairs.

Delahay hopes that the National Seafood Industry Leadership Program will provide him with the opportunity to strengthen and refine his existing leadership skills so that he can strive to reach his potential as a leader in the seafood industry. Delahay would like to continue to play a key leadership role in supporting the growth, preservation and prosperity of the rapidly evolving traditional sectors nationally and internationally.

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Born in the north of France, I have been working in marine sciences for more than 20 years in three different countries (France, Canada, Australia). I conduct research and development projects on different aspects of the marine ecosystems, in close collaboration with commercial fisheries and aquaculture sectors.

I'm participating in the program to exchange, interact with a multitude of actors of the seafood sector and take home new ideas on how science might contribute more in supporting/developing the industry. I like to believe that I work for the industry to remain viable, prosperous and sustainable now and for future generations.

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Jessica McInerney is the Media and Communications Manager with Seafood Industry Australia, and is based in Ulladulla on the NSW South Coast.
Within SIA she is responsible for all communication activities including public affairs, media relations, public relations, marketing, social media and broad industry communications.

Jessica is passionate about developing the profile of the Australian seafood industry, bolstering social licence, and promoting the consumption of Australian seafood both domestically and internationally. She has a background in communications, primary industry and FMCG spanning more than 13 years, and has worked alongside a number of high-profile agribusiness and FMCG clients including Ingham, Queen Fine Foods, Aeroplane Jelly and Accolade Wines. Jessica joined SIA in early 2018 from her previous role as a Senior Journalist with Fairfax Media.

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Being the third generation of a seafood family business I have developed a love and passion for seafood from a young age.

I have been able to work at Mures most of my life and seen many aspects of the industry from wild caught fishery, fish processing and value adding, to restaurants and retail.

I am excited to further my understanding of the Australian seafood industry and learn from others at this year's program. I hope to help our industry keep striving forward as a world class example that all Australians are proud of and promote this to the public.

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I'm a Senior Fisheries Management Officer working for the Commonwealth's Gillnet, Hook and Trap sector (GHAT). I also do some work with the South Pacific RFMO and conduct geospatial analysis for AFMA.

Since I started working for AFMA I've discovered a passion for applying data to evidence based management decisions. I applied for this program because I am eager to learn from other areas of the seafood industry what their data means to them and to find inventive ways we can collaborate to overcome industry data issues.

I am keen to play a role in the implementation and development of innovative technology in the seafood industry.

Phillip Ravanello

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I am the Program Manager for Tuna Australia, the association representing the tuna longline fishing industry. I manage a suite of projects and contracts that underpins the sustainability, environmental and economic performance of Tuna Australia members and the fishery.

I am participating in NSILP to expand my skillset from being a leader of people in my previous roles, to a leader of industry in my current role. I would like to empower the Australian seafood industry to transition to new markets, new products and value propositions to build resilience, new opportunities and security for seafood producers.

Rebecca Sellers

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Native to WA, I moved to Canberra to work for the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment because being around beautiful beaches was too hard to handle.

The additional leadership skills and industry knowledge I will gain from participating in the NSILP will help me as I represent Australia in international forums on fisheries issues.

I am keen to learn more about the Australian seafood industry and any barriers to diversify the seafood industry and creating a more resilient food system.
In my spare time I volunteer at Repair Café and try to pat as many dogs as possible.

Rhys Barton

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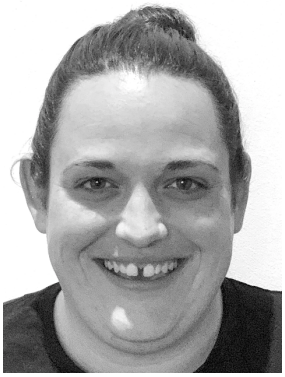
I am currently working as the site manager for Tassal in Strahan, located on the west coast of Tasmania, in charge of daily operations of our salmon farms.

I am participating in this program to understand more about the industry as I have only been involved in the farm salmon side and would love to get an understanding on how things are done elsewhere.

I would like to be a part of making changes within the sustainability of the industry and understand why we are sustainable. I want to make sure we are utilising the world's best practices going forward.

Sarah Gorst



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My name is Sarah Gorst, I am the Vice President of Ozfish Eurobodalla Chapter and the Co-founder of South Coast Seaweed an Indigenous Business Initiative on the South Coast NSW.

I am participating in the NSILP to gain an understanding about the seafood industry and learn about the history and future of aquaculture and mariculture in Australia. I hope to gain more knowledge that I can put in practice within our local community and become a better public speaker.

South Coast Seaweed is an Indigenous Business Initiative focused on the reconnection of traditional knowledge and practices to create a sustainable sea kelp industry in Australia. southcoastseaweed.com.au

OzFish Eurobodalla partners with the local community to invest in the protection and restoration of our waterways, counteracting decades of degradation.

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Steven is a Marine Resource Economist with the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies at the University of Tasmania. In his current role he provides economic and policy analysis support the management of Tasmanian fisheries and aquaculture sectors.

Steven is participating in the NSILP to gain greater insights on the needs of the fishing industry at a national level, and better understand key priorities and concerns. Steven's vision for the Australian seafood industry is for a sustainably managed resource, that attracts strong community support, and provides employment and career pathways that encourages investment and regional growth.