**State of the Fisheries Focus of World Food Day Event**

**Movie and meal event to take place Friday, October 19, in St. John’s**

***St. John’s, NL*** - Building a healthy and sustainable fishery is a key food security issue facing our province and international communities alike. On Friday October 19th from 6 – 9 pm at Gower St. United Church, The Food Security Network NL (FSN), Oxfam Canada, and the Community-University Research for Recovery Alliance (CURRA) are hosting their 4th Annual Meal and Movie. This year’s event is taking a closer look at the changing face of local and global fisheries.

This year’s documentary film, END OF THE LINE, looks at the problem of overfishing in the world’s oceans, including the Grand Banks. As Bill Hynd of Oxfam stated, “We often forget how important a global food resource the fishery is, providing consumers with a very valuable source of protein and essential micronutrients while allowing hundreds of coastal communities the opportunity to survive and thrive.”

Those in attendance will learn about ways to support sustainable fisheries through their own actions, says the Food Security Network’s Kristie Jameson. “Our World Food Day events are about more than enjoying a good meal and watching a movie; you leave energized and ready to get involved as both a consumer and as a citizen.”

Attendees of the Movie and Meal event will enjoy a three-course meal made of local ingredients showcasing fish, vegetables, & fruit of Newfoundland & Labrador. All proceeds will go towards supporting food security initiatives in the province that are working to ensure access to healthy food for all.

Tickets for the World Food Day Meal and Movie are $15 or pay what you can. To reserve seats call 237-4026 or email richardkelly@foodsecuritynews.com.

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