Women make up half the workforce in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture.
Women make a vital contribution to small-scale fisheries and aquaculture, by working as fishers, processors, traders and marketers.
Valuing and supporting women’s contributions in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture can create benefits for all.
To make women visible, more gender-specific employment data is needed across the catch-to-consumer pathway.
To make progress on gender equality in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture, funding to gender programs and research must increase a hundredfold.
Gender equality in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture must be a stated priority in policy, research and development programs.
Achieving gender equality in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture will require a collaborative effort by researchers, policymakers and practitioners—and women and men themselves.
By supporting empowerment, women in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture can collaborate, assert their rights and upgrade their capacity.
More funding and support for education, advocacy and legal resources can help to empower women in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture.
Gender research efforts are critical to making women visible in official counts that track trends and support equality.
By creating more choices for women in small-scale fisheries, we can start to create a sustainable and socially-just fishing industry.