**Roundtable 2: Making It Work with Nova Scotia’s Industry Association**

Possible Associations regarding fish and seafood training in NS

* Nova Scotia Fish Packers Association
  + They liaise with the NS fishery sector & government
* Nova Scotia Fishing Sector Council
  + They work through NSCC to develop and deliver training
* SPANS
  + A Clearwater group or company (may not represent the rest of the industry)
* A-SPANS
  + Provide technical training (ie) power consumption
* NS/NB Lobster Association
  + Currently do not provide training
* NSCC
  + They were highlighted as a natural to provide training since they already have the infrastructure and 13 campuses province wide.
* Perennia
* REN’s
  + Possibly assist in facilitated sessions to identify training gaps and needs
* Atlantic Food Processors
* NS Safety Association
* NS Aquaculture Association
* Local CB Fisherman Associations since there is a need to educate and train fisherman on food and fish handling from the water to boats to wharves.
* NS Construction Association

Points:

* A gentlemen from UK suggested that the industry / association control training and look to the government for assistance since governments change and so do mandates.
* Currently in NS, there is no formal structure for fish and seafood training and certification
* Industry believes it is critical to the future survival of the NS fish and seafood industry
* Industry needs to drive the need for training and certification
* There is a need for basic training at the entry level for things such as: Basic food handling, food safety, WHMIS, Good Management Practices, HACCP, etc. It’s debateable how much training should be a requirement during pre and post-employment since it may be perceived as a barrier to entry in an industry that already has a high turnover.