

Review of: "Mental health in fishing communities: An overview of current knowledge and information gaps for fisheries"

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The manuscript is interesting. It is written in a simple and concise manner, therefore easy to understand. It is worth publishing as it provides useful information, but I have a few suggestions for the author's consideration.

- 1. The study should have aims and objectives. Kindly change the present aims to objectives. Please make the aim of the study clear. Objectives are what will be done to achieve the aim of the study. They answer the research questions.
- 2. What are the contributions of the study? Kindly state this in the introduction and conclusion sections.
- 3. Given that there is already a review in this area up to 2018, how does this study extend existing knowledge? How was bias eliminated in the exclusion and inclusion criteria? Given that conference papers often are later published as journal articles, what was done to eliminate repeated information in a case where that might have happened? I would recommend a major review that would entail including studies from 2018 to 2023, with analysis and discussion conducted again.
- 4. For hotspot mapping, kindly justify why you used the Moran I index and the Getis-Ord technique for spatial association instead of other methods. What I mean is, there are other hotspot mapping techniques; why did the author consider the one utilized against others?

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