



FAO Aquaculture e-Bulletin

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Global Conference on Aquaculture 2010, 22-25 September 2010, Phuket, Thailand

The conference is organized into 4 Sessions:

1. Introduction and Opening
2. 6 Regional and 1 Global Reviews on Aquaculture
3. 6 Thematic Sessions consisting of 20 Expert Panel Presentations, 6 Plenary Lectures and 2 Guest Lectures
4. Summary Presentations, Recommendations and Conclusions



All regional/global aquaculture and thematic reviews were prepared (starting in 2009 and supported by a panel of 10-12 experts) by a Lead Expert, who will also make a presentation during the conference. *Professor Monkombu Sambasivan Swaminthan* (India) and *Jiansan Jia* (Chief, Aquaculture Service of FAO) will give the Opening Keynote Addresses. The conference will be concluded with a presentation and discussion of the *Draft Consensus and Strategy for Global Aquaculture Development*.

4 side events include:

- Side Event 1: GTZ and FAO – Improving sustainability of seafood production and trade: opportunities and challenges

- Side Event 2: Thai Department of Fisheries in collaboration with the Norwegian Ministry of Fisheries and Coastal Affairs and FAO – Aquaculture Industry Dialogue
- Side Event 3: SEA-EU NET, European Commission (Directorate General for Research Technological Development - DG RTD) and FAO – Introducing aquaculture research opportunities under the European Union’s Seventh Framework Programme (FP7)
- Side Event 4: ANAF, NACA, NACEE, RAA and FAO – Regional networking in aquaculture

Registration was closed as of 10 September and the targeted participation of 700 confirmed registrants was reached.

COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture Fifth Session (COFI/SCAV), 27 September to 1 October 2010, Phuket, Thailand

Hosted by Thailand’s Department of Fisheries, COFI/SCA V has the following technical agenda:

- FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture Department’s efforts in implementing the recommendations of the past sessions of the COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture
- Improving the progress reporting on the implementation of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries (CCRF), provisions relevant to aquaculture and culture-based fisheries and the proposal for a revised reporting mechanism on CCRF with an interactive questionnaire format
- Guidelines on aquaculture certification;
- Aquatic biosecurity: a key for sustainable aquaculture development
- Climate change and aquaculture: opportunities and challenges for adaptation and mitigation
- Moving aquaculture further offshore: governance issues and challenges and
- Coordinating Working Party on Fisheries Statistics: Aquaculture

Online aquaculture map collection available

A new Web site showing the locations of aquaculture sites and their characteristics is now available. The online **National Aquaculture Sector Overview (NASO) map collection** uses “Google Maps and Google Earth” technology to assist FAO member countries to inventory and monitor aquaculture. The collection is in its early stages but holds potential use in a number of ways such as monitoring the status and trends of aquaculture development and addressing site selection and zoning issues. The NASO map collection is coordinated by the Aquaculture Service of the FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture Department in close collaboration with FAO's Fisheries and Aquaculture Statistics and Information Service.

Web-based products

Two new Cultured Aquatic Species Fact sheets have been recently published on the Internet:

- **Striped catfish** (*Pangasius hypophthalmus*)
- **North African catfish** (*Clarias gariepinus*)

Recent FAO Aquaculture publications

FAO Aquaculture Newsletter – FAN 45 – Special issue dedicated to the Global Conference on Aquaculture 2010 and COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture Fifth Session. This August 2010 issue of FAN contains an editorial on “Turning Points of Modern Aquaculture”; aquaculture highlights in sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Central Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East and

North Africa and the Pacific Islands; articles on fish trade, aquaculture reporting under the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, global employment in aquaculture, aquaculture network in the Americas, small-scale aquaculture, disaster response and preparedness, and one health and aquatic biosecurity; two workshop news (veterinary medicines and feeds), a new staff profile, 7 new aquaculture publications and a list of FIRA events (biennium 2010-2011/ biennium 2009-2010) and projects (biennium 2008-2009). Contributors to FAN 45 include FIRA and FIPM staff and regional fisheries and aquaculture officers.

Video – Turning Points in Aquaculture Development. A short video dedicated to the Global Conference on Aquaculture 2010 and COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture Fifth Session was prepared tracing the four watershed events in aquaculture development: Kyoto Conference (1976), FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries (1995), Aquaculture Millennium Conference (2000) and the establishment of the COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture (2000).

FAO Aquaculture Publications 1999–2008. During the period 1999-2008, more than 500 aquaculture-related publications, including CD-ROMs, Web-based products and newsletters, were published and distributed worldwide, both in electronic and printed versions and in various FAO languages. These information resources were assembled into a USB pen drive, to be distributed during the Global Conference on Aquaculture 2010 and COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture Fifth Session (For further information please contact: Mr Valerio Crespi .

To order publications, please contact: Publications-Sales@fao.org.

Meetings/Workshops

Workshop. One expert workshop “On-farm feeding and feed management in aquaculture” was held in Manila, Philippines from 13-15 September 2010 (Lead officer: Dr Mohammad R. Hasan .

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