

13. WHAT ARE ASFA “INPUT CENTER CODES”?

Below, in the left hand column is a list of all the ASFA Partner organizations. In the right hand column, are the two letter ASFA Input Center Codes which correspond to or represent each ASFA Partner. Each ASFA record appearing in the ASFA database includes a field which contains the “Input Center Code”, therefore, for each record on the database, one can identify the ASFA Partner organization responsible for preparing that record.

The field containing the “Input Center Code” is called “**Input Center, ASFA**” and it is always followed by a number, for example:

Input Center, ASFA MX0600192

The “**MX**”, in the example above, is the two letter “Input Center Code” and it represents the ASFA Partner in Mexico (UNAM). The “**06**” refers to the year that the record was submitted to the database by UNAM and the number “**192**” refers to the number of records prepared by UNAM up to and including that record for that year (therefore in the above example, the 192 refers to the 192nd record prepared by Mexican ASFA Partner during the year 2006). One can limit a search in the ASFA database to Input Center Code only (for example a search of: **TR=MX05*** would retrieve all records prepared and submitted to the database by UNAM in 2005), **however** because there were a number of years in which the ASFA records did **not** contain the two letter Input Center Codes, such a search would **not** be an accurate means to identifying the **total** number of records prepared by any given ASFA Partner. Note, in some cases the Input Center Codes correspond to well known standard ISO standard abbreviations and sometimes they do not. This is because many years back when we started assigning these codes a number of abbreviations had to be avoided, because they interfered with the computer processing of those times and our system.

1. AdriaMed. Scientific Cooperation to Support Responsible Fisheries in the Adriatic Sea, Rome	AA
2. ARGENTINA. Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Desarrollo Pesquero (INIDEP), Mar del Plata	AR
3. AUSTRALIA. CSIRO Marine Research, Hobart, Tasmania	AU
4. BELGIUM. VLIZ Vlaams Instituut voor de Zee vzw Flanders Marine Institute, Oostende	BE
5. BRAZIL. Universidade de São Paulo, São Paulo	BR
6. CANADA. Fisheries and Oceans Canada/Pêches et Océans Canada, Ottawa	CA
7. CHILE. Instituto de Fomento Pesquero (IFOP), Valparaíso	CL
8. CHINA. National Marine Data and Information Service (NMDIS), Tianjin	CH
9. CÔTE D'IVOIRE. Centre de Recherches Océanologiques (CRO), Abidjan	CI
10. CSA. Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, Bethesda, Maryland	CS
11. CUBA. Centro de Investigaciones Pesqueras (CIP), La Habana	HV
12. ECUADOR. Instituto Nacional de Pesca (INP), Guayaquil	EC
13. EGYPT, National Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries (NIOF)	EG
14. ESTONIA. Estonian Marine Institute (MEI), Tallinn	EE
15. FAO. Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome	FA
16. FRANCE. Institut Français de Recherche pour l'Exploitation de la Mer (IFREMER), Brest	IF
17. GERMANY. Bundesforschungsanstalt fuer Fischerei (BF), Hamburg	BF
18. GREECE. Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR), Athens	GR
19. GUINEA. Centre National des Sciences Halieutiques de Boussoira (CNSHB), Conakry	GN
20. ICCAT. International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, Madrid	TU
21. ICELAND. Marine Research Institute (MRI), Reykjavik	IS
22. ICES. International Council for the Exploration of the Sea, Copenhagen	CE
23. ICLARM. – The World Fish Center, Penang	IC
24. INDIA. National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), Goa	DP

25. INDONESIA. Centre for Scientific Documentation & Information- Indonesian Institute of Sciences (PDII-LIPI), Jakarta	ID
26. IOC. Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, Paris	IO
27. IOTC. Indian Ocean Tuna Commission, Seychelles	SC
28. IRAN. Iranian Fisheries Research Organization (IFRO), Tehran	IN
29. ITALY. Società Italiana di Biologia Marina (SIBM), Genova	IT
30. IUCN. The World Conservation Union, Gland	IU
31. JAPAN. Fisheries Research Agency (FRA), Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa	JA
32. KENYA. Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRI), Mombasa	KE
33. KOREA. Korea Ocean Research and Development Institute (KORDI), Seoul	KR
34. LAOS. Living Aquatic Resources Research Center (LARReC), Vientiane	LA
35. MAURITANIA. Institut Mauritanien de Recherches Océanographiques et des Pêches (IMROP), Nouadhibou	MR
36. MEXICO. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Mexico	MX
37. MOROCCO. Institut National de Recherche Halieutique (INRH), Casablanca	MA
38. MOZAMBIQUE. Instituto Nacional de Hidrografia e Navegação (INAHINA), Maputo	MZ
39. NACA. Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-Pacific, Bangkok	AC
40. NAFO. Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia	FO
41. NIGERIA. National Institute for Freshwater Fisheries Research (NIFFR), New Bussa	NG
42. NORWAY. Institute of Marine Research (IMR), Bergen	SK
43. PIMRIS. Pacific Islands Marine Resources Information System, Suva	PI
44. PERU. Instituto del Mar del Perú (IMARPE), Callao	PE
45. POLAND. Sea Fisheries Research Institute (SFI), Gdynia	PL
46. PORTUGAL. Ministério da Agricultura, Desenvolvimento Rural e Pescas, Lisbon	PT
47. RUSSIA. Russian Federal Research Institute of Fisheries and Oceanography (VNIRO), Moscow	VN
48. SENEGAL. Direction des Pêches Maritimes, Dakar	SN
49. SIPAM. Information System for the Promotion of Aquaculture in the Mediterranean, Tunis	SP
50. SPAIN. Instituto Español de Oceanografía (IEO), Madrid	ES
51. SPC. Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Nouméa	CP
52. SWEDEN. Institute of Marine Research (IMR), Lysekil	SE
53. TANZANIA. Institute of Marine Sciences (IMS), Zanzibar	TZ
54. THAILAND. Phuket Marine Biological Center, Phuket	TA
55. TUNISIA. Institut National des Sciences et Technologies de la Mer (INSTM), Salammbô	TN
56. UGANDA. National Fisheries Resources Research Institute (NaFIRRI)	UG
57. UKRAINE. Southern Scientific Research Institute of Marine Fisheries and Oceanography (YugNIRO), Kerch	UA
58. UNITED KINGDOM. Marine Biological Association (MBA), Plymouth	MB
59. UN/DOALOS. United Nations/Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, New York	UN
60. UNEP. United Nations Environment Programme, Nairobi	EP
61. URUGUAY. Instituto de Investigaciones Pesqueras (IIP), Montevideo	UY
62. USA. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Silver Spring, MD	NO
63. VIET NAM. Ministry of Fisheries of Viet Nam, Fisheries Informatics Centre (FiCen), Hanoi	VI
64. Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	WP

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