

WorldFish comments on 34th Session of the Committee of Fisheries (COFI)

Agenda Item #10: Developments in global and regional processes related to fisheries and aquaculture

Developments in fisheries and aquaculture processes will need to be addressed and managed within a number of bigger global challenges, including adaptation to climate change, biodiversity loss and conservation, sustainable production and intensification, poverty and inclusive economic development and food systems transformation.

WorldFish and our partners within the CGIAR continue to focus our research on these key development challenges, and will continue to strengthen our cooperation with FAO and the connections between research and development of policy, from global to national levels. The new WorldFish 2030 Research and Innovation Strategy: Aquatic Foods for Healthy People and Planet, a component of a reformed CGIAR Research and Innovation strategy, lays out an ambitious 10-year program for research and innovation to enable food, water and land systems transformation through fish and aquatic foods. Enhanced cooperation with FAO will be essential in achieving these ambitious goals.

We therefore reiterate our commitment to FAO and its members to continue to strengthen cooperation that connects WorldFish CGIAR research with FAO and its members, providing solution-oriented evidence, research and innovations that are essential to enable the key changes in policy and investments that are necessary for aquatic animals, plants and algae to play a key role in food systems transformation and the global challenges we face today.

We await more clarity on the content of this agenda item #10 to provide more detailed and specific comments.



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