



**EXPERT CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED SUB-  
COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES**

**Bangkok, Thailand, 28-29 February 2000**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**Monday, 28 February 2000**

**8:30 - 9:00 Registration of experts**

**9:00 - 9:20 Item 1: Opening of the Consultation**

- Welcome speech by the FAO Assistant Director-General, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific
- Introduction on the purpose of the Expert Consultation and background to the Consultation

**9:20 - 9:30 Break**

**9:30 - 10:00 Item 2: Procedural matters**

- Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur
- Adoption of the Agenda
- Organization of the work of the Consultation

**10:00 -  
10:30 Break**

**10:30 - 12:30**      **Item 3: Overview of international issues and trends of aquaculture development**

*Objective: to review key issues in aquaculture developments which are of global, inter-regional and international importance, requiring the establishment of an intergovernmental forum for the development of norms, discussion and consensus-building*

**12:30 - 13:30**      **Lunch break**

**13:30 - 15:30**      **Item 4: Justification for the establishment of a COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture**

*Objective: Based on discussions under the preceding point, identify functions for which a COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture should be established (e.g. normative functions, forum, etc.) and thematic areas of intervention (e.g. subjects for normative work or fora). Discussion of relations between the regional fishery bodies' Aquaculture Committees/ Programmes and the COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture.*

**14:30 - 15:30**      **Item 5: Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Sub-Committee on Aquaculture**

*Objective: Based on the above, elaborate and draft specific Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure to be considered by COFI.*

**15:30 - 16:00**      **Break**

**16:00 - 17:00**      **Item 5 (continued)**

**17:00 - 18:00**      **Item 6: Future Programme of Activities**

*Objective: In accordance with the Terms of Reference, and referring explicitly to the Strategic Framework and the latest Medium Term Plan of the Fisheries Department of FAO, draft a programme outline for the next two meetings of an eventual COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture.*

**19:00 - 21:00**      **Reception**

**Tuesday, 29 February 2000**

**08:30 - Item 6 (continued)**  
**10:00**

**10:00 - Break**  
**10:30**

**10:30 - Financial and budgetary requirements**  
**12:00**

*Objective: to study the practical implications and estimate the costs of holding regular biennial meetings of such a Sub-Committee.*

**12:00 - Lunch Break**  
**13:00**

**13:00 - Drafting of the report**  
**16:00**

**16:00 - Adoption of the draft report**  
**18:00**