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Marine aquaculture – the 21st century challenge for world fishing

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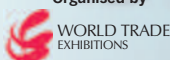
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08.30 **Registration & coffee**

09:00 **Welcome from Conference Chairman**

*Dr Selina Stead, School of Marine Science & Technology, Newcastle University, UK
President, European Aquaculture Society*

Introduction:

Future of marine aquaculture in a changing fisheries environment

SESSION 1: OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORLD FISHING IN MARINE AQUACULTURE

09:15 **Technology and innovation being developed to grow marine aquaculture**

Gustavo Larrazábal

President, Tinamenor Group, Spain

Chairman, European Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Platform (EATIP)

EATIP's role is to find new directions for aquaculture research, technology development and innovation. Founded in 2007, its members represent the major fish farms and suppliers on inputs, and research establishments. Its aim is to make aquaculture the most competitive and dynamic, knowledge-driven economy in Europe.

09:40 **Implementation of the European Strategy for Aquaculture**

Jean-Claude Cueff

Head of Unit, Aquaculture

DG MARE, European Commission

Aquaculture is of growing importance to the European economy, employment and the consumer. The European strategy for sustainable aquaculture uses funding, research, development and innovation to achieve this end.

10:00 **Research and development into new species for commercial marine aquaculture**

Octopus: Dr Jose Iglesias, Spanish Institute of Oceanography, Vigo

Abalone: Tony Legg, SUDEVAB Project Partner, Jersey

Research into making less popular species suitable for commercial aquaculture continues globally and at a European level.

Spain's scientists have studied octopus production and will allow business to improve its farming potential.

Abalone farming is set for considerable growth, partly due to the EU-funded research programme SUDEVAB. Its six partners across Europe have studied pathology, genetics, nutrition and sustainable culture technology to make abalone farming available to small companies.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

10:50 **Coffee**

SESSION 2: MARINE AQUACULTURE BUSINESS

11:20 **The business plan: capital sources, time, products, markets & marketing**

John Dallimore, Operations Director

TNC Partners, Hamburg, Germany

John Dallimore is a marine biologist with wide experience of founding and operating fish farms. The business of fish farming is a complex mix of planning, finance, science, good aquaculture operations and marketing to bring the products to the consumer and make a profit.



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12:05 **The risks: Spanish and European aquaculture insurance products & demand**
Gema Chicharro Santos, Studies & Research
Agroseguro, Spain
Agroseguro is Spain's leading fisheries and agriculture insurance company which also provides cover in some other European countries. It has analysed aquaculture risks and developed a range of insurance products to meet them. It also looks forward to the next generation of risks and how to insure them.

12:25 **The consumer: farmed fish products to meet consumer expectations**
Edward Garner
Worldpanel Communications Director
Taylor Nelson Sofres, International Market Researchers
TNS Worldpanel is the world's leading provider of continuous research solutions. It measures consumer grocery purchasing and consumption behaviour for brand owners, retailers and manufacturers.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

13:00 **Lunch**

SESSION 3: EXPERIENCES OF MARINE AQUACULTURE

14:30 **Case study one: Offshore aquaculture in southern Spain: from the start of the project to reality**

J.Carlos Macias, Area Manager,
Aquaculture & Fisheries Structures
Empresa Publica Desarrollo Agrario y Pesquero, Spain
Paco Padilla, Site Manager
Cofradia de Pescadores de Conil de la Frontera, Spain

The Andalusian Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries undertook an ambitious project eight years ago to develop an integrated offshore fish farm in southern Spain. It experimented with different species and technology and now has established four submerged OceanSpar fish cages and 25 long lines for oyster cultivation. Production has started: a local fishing co-operative took over the operations in 2007.

15:10 **Case study two: "Sustainable" marine aquaculture of sea bass, bream, mullet and shrimps on an inland site**

J Miguel Medialdea, Quality & Environment Manager
Veta La Palma Estate, Pesquerias Isla Mayor SA, Spain

Located on an island in the Guadalquivir river, 16 km inland from the Atlantic, Veta La Palma produces 1,200 tons of fish each year. It uses the incoming tides to bring nutrient to 45 ponds and then take away the waste on the outgoing tide. It is truly a sustainable fish farm.

15:50 **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

16:15 **Conference concludes with a Drinks Reception**

Speakers, papers and times are subject to change



