

Call for Papers

Cultured Aquatic Animals: Use and Implications for Stock Enhancement, Fisheries Management, and Species Diversity

AQUACULTURE 2010
San Diego, California, USA
March 1-5, 2010



On behalf of the Fish Culture and Genetics Sections of the American Fisheries Society and the U.S. Aquaculture Society, we would like to invite you to present in a symposium entitled: "*Cultured Aquatic Animals: Use and Implications for Stock Enhancement, Fisheries Management, and Species Diversity*", to be held at the AQUACULTURE 2010 conference in San Diego, California March 1-5, 2010. AQUACULTURE is the Triennial meeting of the Fish Culture Section of the American Fisheries Society, the National Shellfisheries Association, and the World Aquaculture Society. Held every 3 years, the Triennial is the largest aquaculture conference held in the world, and is an unmatched opportunity to learn, network, and contribute to the aquaculture field. If you attend just one conference in 2010, it should be the Triennial!

Our objectives in organizing this symposium are to foster communication between the various stakeholders involved in the propagation and use of cultured aquatic animals, to encourage critical thinking and interdisciplinary solutions to real or perceived issues associated with hatcheries, and to facilitate dissemination of information about the use of cultured aquatic animals among fisheries professionals. Specifically, this symposium will address: 1) hatchery reform; what it is and how it is working; 2) culture methods to improve rearing success and integration into the wild; 3) genetic assessment tools and breeding strategies to maximize beneficial contributions to wild populations and minimize risks associated with the use of cultured aquatic animals; and 4) the changing regulatory landscape which directs the implementation of the above in reforming fisheries enhancement and management programs.

We are currently soliciting speakers for the development of an agenda to submit to the conference organizers. The deadline for submitting a list of presenters and presentation titles is August 1, 2009, and presenters' abstracts will be due August 31, 2009. If you are planning to give a presentation, a prompt response is greatly appreciated. Please provide your name, affiliation, and a tentative title for your presentation.

If you are interested in joining us in San Diego or have additional questions about the proposed symposium or the AQUACULTURE 2010 conference, please contact the co-chairs via the contact information provided below. Additionally, if you have colleagues who may be interested in presenting, please forward this invitation to them.

See you in San Diego!

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