



Side Event 4

Title: Regional networking in aquaculture

Organizers: ANAF, NACA, NACEE, RAA and FAO

Time and Venue: 1815 – 2000 – 24th September – Ballroom 2

Networking and networks are critically important for the coordination of research, training and information exchange among the various stakeholders involved in aquaculture. This Side Event 4 will bring together experts and experiences from existing and emerging regional networks in aquaculture including the Aquaculture Network for Africa (ANAF), Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-Pacific (NACA), the Network of Aquaculture Centres in Central and Eastern Europe (NACEE), and the Aquaculture Network for the Americas (Red de Acuicultura de las Americas - RAA), and will discuss and explore the relevance and future importance of regional as well as inter-regional collaboration for sustainable global aquaculture development.

Tentative Programme

1815 – 1820 (5 minutes)

Welcome remarks: *Jiansan Jia (FAO)*

1820 – 1835 (15 minutes)

A Perspective on Twenty One Years of Networking in the A-P Region: *Sena de Silva (NACA)*

1835 – 1850 (15 minutes)

NACEE for bridging the gap between Western and Eastern European Aquaculture: *Peter Lengyel (HAKI)*

1850 – 1905 (15 minutes)

Red de Acuicultura de las Américas - Towards fair and sustainable aquaculture development: *Marco Linné Unzueta Bustamante (RAA Representative)*

1905 – 1920 (15 minutes)

Origin and aims of the Aquaculture Network for Africa (ANAF): *Wilson Mwanja/Betty Nyandat/Isabel Omar (ANAF Representatives)*

1920 – 1955 (35 minutes)

Plenary Discussion: The importance of regional networks for sustainable aquaculture development and the potential and need for inter-regional collaboration

1955 – 2000 (5 minutes)

Wrap-up and closing remarks (*FAO*)