





Carrying Capacity Conference

Dublin July 2007

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Carrying Capacity Conference

- Organised by AGUATT
- On behalf of Clew Bay Marine Forum, South East Shellfish Co-op & La Tene Maps
- Sponsored by Bord Iascaigh Mhara (BIM) and the Marine Institute and members of the EU funded Keyzones Project

AGUATT

- 1992 2007: 15th Anniversary
- Set up in 1992 as a non-profit company under the European Commission COMMETT programme
- Original Corporate Owners, UCC, NUIG, GMIT & Hibernia learning partnership (currently UCC & NUIG)
- Designed to source funding and implement projects in the field of aquaculture related to Training & Technology Transfer

Mission & Vision

Vision Statement

AquaTT is an international foundation which provides project management and training services to support the sustainable development of Europe's aquatic resources.

Mission statement

AquaTT's mission is to bridge the knowledge gap between the dynamic R&D environments and the progressive commercial sectors.



Implementation

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Our Mission will be achieved by

- Developing and supporting innovative and entrepreneurial concepts
- Playing a pivotal role in European networks
- > Translating technology between research, service providers and industry
- Dissemination, education and outreach programmes for industry, consumers and policy makers
- Development and delivery of technical training programmes



AquaTT Key Services

- Professional development assistance: jobs, mobility, exchanges (PiscesTT Jobs)
- > Training News newsletter
- Project funding: proven capacity to source funding
- > Project management
- > Provision of useful tools for cross-sector benefit







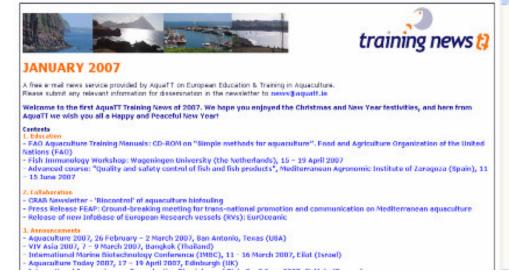
AquaTT Services (1)

E- Newsletter on Training

3500 subscribers

- Education initiatives
- Upcoming events
- Opportunities for collaboration
- Dissemination of results





AquaTT Services (2)



Highlights

- Job vacancies, student placements, Masters/ PhD positions
- Registered users receive email alerts
- Companies/Universities can directly upload their vacancies
- 805 registered job searchers
- Average amount of reactions to vacancies:



Training Courses

 AquaTT has been involved in the design and running of over 25 short training courses



- AQUA-LABS Training Courses:
 - ➤ An innovative series of 7 state-of-the-art training and networking events
 - ➤ For PhD level students and early-stage researchers in aquaculture and related sciences



- 1. Recirculation Technologies

 Wageningen, Netherlands 31 participants 21 nationalities
- 2. Fish Welfare in Intensive Aquaculture *Varese*, *Italy* 25 participants 15 nationalities
- 3. Molecular Biology and Ecology in Aquaculture Kuopio, Finland - 30 participants - 17 nationalities
- 4. Aquatic Animal Disease Diagnostics
 Stirling, UK 30 participants 18 nationalities
- 5. Freshwater Aquaculture and the Environment Szarvas, Hungary 30 participants 16 nationalities
- 6. Quality of Fish Products

 Cork, Ireland 25 participants 15 nationalities

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"Early-Stage Researchers Workshop", November 2006, Galway, Ireland

- Innovative workshop, 2 days + fieldtrip
- 52 participants received funding for T & S
- geared towards the transfer of generic competencies, such as communication skills, networking, proposal writing and technology transfer
- Great success



AQUA-TNET



Socrates Thematic
Network in Education &
Training

AQUA (Aquaculture, Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Management)

-TNET (Thematic Network in Education & Training)

AQUA-TNET

| Title | Description | Coordinator | Institution |
|-------|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| WP1 | Masters and masters science curriculum development | Jan Petter Myklebust | University of Bergen |
| WP2 | PhD curriculum development and assessment | Peter Bossier | Universiteit Gent |
| WP3 | Transparency in teaching and education – TUNING approach | Gavin Burnell | University College Cork |
| WP4 | Student mobility | Lluis Tort | Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona |
| WP5 | Innovation in teaching | John Bostock | Stirling University |
| WP6 | Languages and linguistic diversity | Margaret Eleftheriou | Aqualex Multimedia Consortium |



WAVE



Working in Aquaculture, Validation of Experience

Vocational Education Pilot Project 2003 - 2006



WAVE

WAVE is using a bottom-up industry led approach in line with EC priorities for defining competencies sectorally across Europe

Primary objective of WAVE;

WAVE seeks to identify and recognise the skills and knowledge needed for work in Aquaculture across Europe



14 Competency Groups = >250 competencies

| Spat Collection | Fish broodstock management and spawning | |
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| Plankton Production | Shellfish broodstock management and spawning | |
| Aquaculture Equipment and facilities | Shellfish Depuration | |
| Health and Safety | Animal Health | |
| Husbandry and Harvesting | Transportation | |
| Environment Issues | Legislation, Standards & Regulations | |
| Business Administration | Marketing and Sales | |

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Raising Awareness is everyone's job

Promoting the marine environment by linking to the primary science

curriculum

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- Educational Exhibitions
- Teachers Manual
- Interactive Website



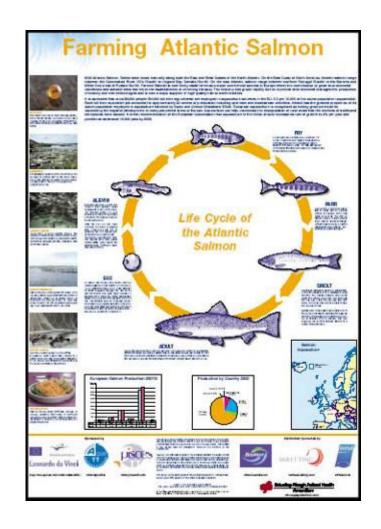
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Lifecycle Posters

Free educational posters are available on the AquaTT stand:

Salmon, Turbot, Perch, Recirculation, Waste Management, Traceability



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More information on all AquaTT activities are available at the AquaTT Stand

Thank you for listening, please don't hesitate to contact us

