



OPEN CALL:

Access Top Class Aquaculture Research Infrastructures

AQUAEXCEL (Aquaculture Infrastructures for Excellence in European Fish Research) is an EU FP7 project that aims to integrate key **aquaculture research infrastructures** across Europe in order to promote their coordinated use and development. Through collaboration with 17 partners and 23 facilities, AQUAEXCEL offers access to top class research infrastructures for both **basic and applied research**, giving aquaculture research groups the opportunity to utilise AQUAEXCEL's facilities.

The AQUAEXCEL project regularly invites proposals from European research groups for scientific research that utilises the facilities of any of the participating Aquaculture Research Infrastructures. The AQUAEXCEL project unites major aquaculture experimental facilities with capacity to undertake experimental trials on a selection of commercially important fish aquaculture species and system types. These **facilities are made available to the research community** for Transnational Access (TNA) with the support of the European Union 7th Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (Infrastructures).

The facilities available cover the **entire range** of production systems (recirculation, flow-through, cage, hatchery and pond systems); environments (freshwater and marine, cold, temperate and warm water); scales (small, medium and industrial scale); fish species (salmon, trout, sea bass, sea bream, cod, common carp etc.); and fields of expertise (nutrition, physiology, health and welfare, genetics, engineering, monitoring and management technologies).

Interested researchers can propose projects that involve visits of one or two people to the chosen Research Infrastructure for periods of up to three months. The research work and associated travel and subsistence expenses will be paid for under the project.

Current status: the third call for access is open.
Deadline is 14 September 2012.

For more information: www.aquaexcel.eu/call_for_access



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