

NEWS FROM AQUACULTURE WITHOUT FRONTIERS AFRICAN PARTNERSHIP TO BENEFIT AQUACULTURE

The African Association of Agricultural Economists (AAAE) will partner with volunteer aid organization Aquaculture without Frontiers (AwF) to improve outcomes in disadvantaged communities by focusing efforts on sustainable aquaculture.

The new agreement links both organizations to closer collaboration and will see AwF working towards including economic profiling in its projects designed to measure the outcomes of its work.

Dr. Edward Mabaya, President of AAAE, on signing the agreement said, "AAAE has a vast network of agricultural economists working across Africa. Through this agreement, we will tap into this network to provide applied research support in areas such as impact assessment, value chain analysis, monitoring and evaluation of aquaculture projects."

He added, "By shining a spotlight on this under-researched topic we hope to produce key research outputs that will shape public policies as well as investment priorities for aquaculture development."

"It makes sense to have pre- and post-project economic assessment factored into our projects and programs. Whilst we are confident that our work is improving the nutrition and health within communities and fostering social development, it will be important to have the economic data to support this," said AwF's long-standing director, Dave Conley when meeting Dr. Mabaya at Cornell University.

"We believe that by collaborating with like-minded organizations such as AAAE, we will be able to make major contributions



Dr. Edward Mabaya, President of AAAE, and David Conley, AwF long-standing director.

to our mission's main objectives. We have always aimed to be a catalyst for change through supporting responsible and sustainable aquaculture. In the decades to come, aquaculture is one of the main keys which will underpin the future health of all humans by providing the essential nutrients and vitamins currently missing from many diets, and at an affordable price," added Conley.

AAAE is an association of agricultural economists and other professionals with special interest in agricultural economic issues and affairs, working in agriculture and broadly related fields of applied economics, and issues related to policy and improving the productivity of African agriculture. Full details of the organization can be seen at www.aaae-africa.org.

Aquaculture is an important agriculture activity for Africa for so many



Roy Palmer, AwF President and Executive Director.

reasons and the opportunity of both organizations collaborating to assist the development of aquaculture in a mature sustainable fashion is clearly of benefit to Africa and the people of Africa.

This agreement is the result of long-term discussions between AAAE General Secretary, Jeffers Miruka, and AwF President and Executive Director, Roy Palmer.

Pardon our Progress – AwF Women/Gender

The Women in Aquaculture session at the World Aquaculture Conference in Adelaide in June 2014 was the catalyst for establishing the Aquaculture without Frontiers (AwF) Women/Gender Network. The Network has grown to a 600+ membership but like all vol-



Assistants to the signing of CONACOPP and UTMaT collaboration agreement.

unteer groups the Network ebbs and flows based on the efforts of a small core of people. Anyone can easily join in discussions and get information by networking at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/awfwomen>.

AwF thanks the World Aquaculture Society-Asia Pacific Chapter for the donation of USD \$500 in return for AwF facilitating the selection process of their Travel Award for Women's Participation at APA17 in Kuala Lumpur 24-27 July 2017. WAS-APC is providing the opportunity for female aquaculture professionals to at-

tend Asia Pacific Aquaculture 2017 from 24-27 July 2017. Funding for this opportunity is provided by WAS-APC, and Aquaculture without Frontiers is facilitating the selection process. There will be two (2) US\$ 600 grants available which are aimed to assist with accommodation and travel. Additionally, WAS-APC will provide registration for the event.

CONACOPP and UTMaT sign collaboration agreement

On March 3rd, a collaboration agreement was signed between CONA-

COOP and the Technological Ocean University of Tamaulipas (UTMaT), with the goal of further professionalizing the national fisheries and aquaculture sector in Mexico. The signing ceremony was attended by: C.P. Raúl Ruiz Villegas, Secretary of Fisheries and Aquaculture of the Government of the State of Tamaulipas; Dr. Antonio Garza de Yta, Rector of the Technological Ocean University of Tamaulipas Bicentennial; Ing. Marcelo Fernández Franco, Director of Hunting Promotion and Sport Fishing of the Government of Tamaulipas; MVZ. Armando Castro Real, National President of CONACOPP; Mr. Roy Palmer, President and CEO of Aquaculture without Frontiers, as well as representatives from a number of state cooperatives. This event provided an opportunity to show the guests the facilities of the University, its equipment and the activities associated with different career path disciplines.

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