

2013 WORLD SEAFOOD CONGRESS SEAFOOD ROUND-UPS

SUNDAY 29, SEPTEMBER 2013

20 years of Evolution of Fish Inspection:

REGION	TIME	LOCATION
Asia Pacific	09.00 – 12.00	Delta Hotel Salon D
Africa	14.00 – 17.00	Delta Hotel Salon D
Latin America	14.00 – 17.00	Delta Hotel Salon C

Food safety and quality management systems have been undergoing rapid changes during the last two decades to address various emerging problems. From a system, where responsibility was mainly with public institutions that used to perform end product testing and rejection of unsafe products, we have moved towards a food chain approach, where preventive measures are taken at all stages from primary production to final consumption and the responsibility is shared by all the actors in different segments of the supply chain. The role of food safety inspection has changed from end product testing to verification of application of GHP and HACCP. Concerns regarding sustainability of seafood supplies, environmental impacts of fisheries and aquaculture and increasing role of supermarkets, large retailers and multinational restaurant chains in import and distribution of seafood products, have led to several non-regulatory requirements in fish trade. Though EU, USA and Japan continue to be major markets for seafood, China and Russia are becoming major importers of seafood and domestic markets in countries like Brazil and India have been showing phenomenal growth and competing with export market. Fish Inspection and Certification Agencies are facing a challenge of meeting the requirements of these new emerging markets.

Agenda

The Workshop will have presentations on the four topics:

- Challenges in meeting requirements of export market
- Inspection and certification in the emerging domestic market in the region
- Impact of market based certification schemes
- Technological/Product innovations, value addition to promote exports

The presentations will be followed by discussions and all participants are invited to contribute to the discussions and bring in any additional issues that are not covered in the presentations or experiences from different countries, lessons learnt from various experiences.

Wrap up

The expected outputs of the Workshop are improved networking and cooperation between agencies in the region and across regions, recommendations and action plans for improving international, regional and national fish trade.

Target Group:

Open to all registered delegates of WSC2013.



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