



Educational needs in relation to innovative and sustainable aquaculture

Innovative technologies in aquaculture – webinar

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Aquaculture is the fastest growing food sector

is it growing too fast (in terms of impact on environment)?





Innovative and sustainable aquaculture

Application of new "environmentally friendly" technologies

- Recirculating Aquaculture Systems (RAS) to reduce (or even eliminate) environmental impacts from aquaculture farming.
- 2. Offshore aquaculture much less nutrients and less biodiversity when compared to sensitive coastal waters this may make quicker dispersion of fish waste.
- 3. Multi-trophic aquaculture to provide balanced system(s) for environment (farming of fish together with shellfish, seaweed, etc.).
- 4. Renewable energy sources.
- 5. Local, small scale production of high quality aquaculture products.





Sustainable aquaculture based on the interactions between people, animal and the environment

The transfer of knowledge and legislation:

- Building a frameworks focusing on communication and cooperation between scientists, aquaculture companies and governments.
- 2. Meetings and workshops.

Development of new technologies and use in practice:

- Collaboration agreements between universities/scientific institutions and aquaculture companies.
- Organization of workshops presenting and teaching what is sustainable and innovative aquaculture.
- 3. Fast application of innovative technologies due to science-aquaculture collaboration platforms.





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Education (not only schools...):

- 1. Health benefits of eating fish and other products from aquaculture.
- 2. Role of aquaculture in the food production.
- 3. Aquaculture means protection of wild stocks.
- 4. Impact of aquaculture on environment.
- 5. What is sustainable and innovative aquaculture?





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Higher education - BSc/undergraduate

Where to study? Almost everywhere in EU...







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Higher education - MSc/postgraduate



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Why we decided to run this course? Aquaculture Sector is deadly eager to employ as many people as possible now!









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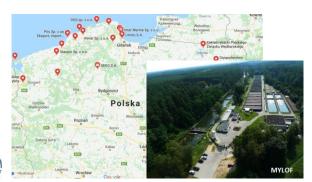
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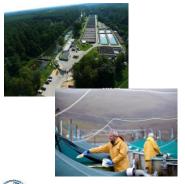
Aquaculture – business and technology







So, how to make studying Aquaculture more attractive?



- 1. Aquaculture is a family business. Most of our students are already in this business.
- 2. Studying aquaculture is attractive but working in the sector is not...the money?
- 3. Low consumption of fish low interest in aquaculture.
- 4. Make FISH more attractive what will make AQUACULTURE attractive!



