



## Fenacam15 & SARA 15 & LACQUA15

CICC – Fortaleza, Brazil – November 16-19, 2015.

The Latin American and Caribbean Aquaculture Conference (LACQUA'15) this year is being organized together with the Feira Nacional do Camarão 2015 (FENACAM'15) and the South American Regional Aquaculture (SARA'15). Following the successful previous conferences held in Brazil (*World Aquaculture 2003*, in Salvador, and

*World Aquaculture 2011*, in Natal), the World Aquaculture Society, its Latin American and Caribbean Chapter (WAS/LACC) and the Associação Brasileira de Criadores de Camarão (ABCC) are joining forces to prepare a high quality conference and an updated producer program in Fortaleza, CE, Brazil, during November 16-19, 2015.

The FENACAM15 & LACQUA15 & SARA15 will bring together aquaculture farmers, entrepreneurs and experts of the entire Latin American region and the world. In addition to a scientific conference, a strong program dedicated to stakeholders and the industry sector is being organized. Over 150 booths are expected in the international trade show, and parallel symposia will gather the productive sector to discuss the technical and practical advances that are guiding the development of aquaculture and the foundations to overcome their challenges.

The organizing team, headed by ABCC and the LACC-WAS, expects more than 3000 professionals of the aquaculture sector to be present in the meeting in Fortaleza. The participants will be able to attend several keynote lectures offered by well-known experts from around the world, as well as to exchange research ideas and to analyze business options of an important array of worldwide companies that will be present.

The FENACAM15 & LACQUA15 & SARA15 will congregate LACQUA technical sessions, the XII International Shrimp Farm Symposium, the XII International Aquaculture Trade Show, the IX International Aquaculture Symposium, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tilapia Economic Forum and a Seafood Festival. In that way, there will be a truly get together for everyone involved with the aquaculture sector.

This year's conference motto: "Science & Industry Joining Forces to Meet Seafood Demands" will, more than ever, bring the message and the expertise of well-known international speakers towards the need and how to integrate the knowledge base for the challenges faced by the aquaculture sector to maintain its growth through innovative science-based solutions.

## Plenary speakers:

Adalberto Luis Val, a senior researcher at the Brazilian National Institute for Research of the Amazon (INPA/MCTI) since 1981, studies biological adaptations of fish to environmental challenges. He was a



postdoctoral fellow at the University of British Columbia, Canada. He maintains intense scientific cooperation. He supervised 100+ undergrad, MSc and Ph.D. students. He has authored 130+ articles and 20+ book chapters. Among his books are *Fishes of the Amazon*, Springer Verlag (1995) and *The Physiology of Tropical Fishes*, Academic Press (2006). He delivered 150+ seminars and conferences worldwide. He acted as a General Director of INPA/MCTI for eight years (2006-2014) and is coordinating the INCT ADAPTA Project (Adaptations of Aquatic Biota to Environmental Changes). His laboratory has been supported by Brazilian funding agencies (CNPq, CAPES, FAPESP) and foreign organizations (Copper Association, The Leverhulme Trust). He is member of the Brazilian Academy of Sciences, fellow 1A of CNPq, and has been awarded the Gran Cross of the National Order of Scientific Merit (Brazil) and the Award of Excellence of the American Fisheries Society-Physiology Section (USA), among others. Currently, he is studying the respiration and adaptations of

fishes of the Amazon to changes in the environment, both from natural origin and those caused by man, including the effects of climate changes.

Dr. Farshad is the founder, President & CEO of Blue Aqua International groups of companies with over 14 countries present. Blue Aqua International is a one-stop solution provider for aquaculture



industry. Blue Aqua manufactures and distributes specialty products and services to the customers as well as the innovative and holistic solutions to help customers increase their profits and operate their business sustainably and environmentally friendly. Dr Farshad is the inventor of the Mixotrophic system, super intensive shrimp farming system, which has PCT patented in over 144 countries.

In the meantime, Dr. Farshad Shishehchian is the Founder & President of the Asian Aquaculture Network (AAN), established as a regional professional network of communication, knowledge and sharing practical technical information about aquaculture. The primary focus is on promoting sustainable development and profitable practices of aquaculture in Asia. AAN is a networking

platform providing the updated information and emerging news about aquaculture, communicating and affiliating with research institutions and universities to collaborate on practical research, educational and technological development, information exchange and student exchange program etc.

Dr Farshad currently is the President of the World Aquaculture Society, Asia Pacific Chapter. He has dynamic, hand-on experience in managing farms and hatcheries and local networking over 20 years in the world's top aquaculture producing countries. Some of his vast experiences include organizing, presenting and participating in diversified level of industry seminars; conferences and panels of discussion from local ones to internationally recognized ones.

Dr. Farshad holds a *Ph.D* in Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecology. He has rich experience and profound understanding of aquaculture in Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, India, Bangladesh, Philippine, China, Sri-Lanka, Malaysia, Korea, Norway, Turkey, USA, Mexico, Brazil, Ecuador, Australia, Singapore and Chile.

Just a few booths left at the Fenacam/LACQUA15 trade show. For more info on the trade show and sponsorship, please contact: [mario@marevent.com](mailto:mario@marevent.com)

Program updates and registration on [www.was.org](http://www.was.org) for internationals and [www.fenacam.com.br](http://www.fenacam.com.br) for Brazilian participants.  
Hope seeing you in Fortaleza soon!

The FENACAM/LACQUA15 team.