larvi 2019 - International Workshop for the Industry
Call for Expression of Interest

Rationale:
Every 4 years since 1991 Ghent University (Belgium) and Norwegian University of Science & Technology (Trondheim, Norway) organize the International Fish & Shellfish Conference “larvi” in Ghent, Belgium to review the latest progress in both academic research and in the production sector. At the closing session of the “larvi’17” conference (September 17, 2017) the participants recommended to consider organizing a regional “larviculture workshop” in 2019 (half-way before the next “larvi” conference in Ghent in 2021) with focus on the application in commercial hatcheries of the new research findings reported at the larvi conference, reviewing the status of the hatchery sector in a particular region, for example Asia, and identifying the needs for further R&D innovations.
Thailand was an obvious choice for this first regional larviculture workshop as it has been at the center of hatchery developments ever since the 1980s.

Date and place:
November 5-8, 2019
Centara Grand, Bangkok, Thailand

Organizers:
- UGent Aquaculture R&D Consortium, Ghent University (UGent), Belgium
- Norwegian University of Science & Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway
- Department of Fisheries DOF, Thailand
Program:

- **November 5**
  - evening Opening Session: welcome speech by DOF and UGent/NTNU, 2 industry keynote presentations, followed by welcome reception/dinner offered by DOF

- **November 6 and 7**
  - morning and afternoon Workshop Sessions covering 4 themes: nutrition, husbandry, quality control and biosecurity. Topics to be covered under these themes: live food and formulated feeds (selection, production/preparation, distribution), batch versus recirculation systems, water treatment, microbial management, genetics and epigenetics, quality aspects (robustness/physiological performance/deformities), we welcome suggestions for more topics.

- **November 8**
  - optional field trip organized by DOF

**Format of workshop sessions (8:30 – 12 and 13:30 - 17:30):**

4 to 6 presentations of 15 minutes each, followed by 30 min coffee break, with remaining time (1.5 to 2 hrs) for discussion in 10 to 15 groups with moderator and rapporteur.

Simultaneous translation for the following languages: Thai, Vietnamese, Chinese and eventually Bahasa (to be decided in function of number of participants from that region)

**Number of participants:** limited to 250, eventual restriction to a maximum number per country

**Registration fees:** 250 US $ (includes all workshop materials, coffee breaks and lunches)

**Sponsors:**
- Thailand Department of Fisheries, Ghent University and Trondheim University
- Platinum sponsors: CPF Thailand and INVE Aquaculture Thailand
- Gold sponsors: ...
- Silver sponsors: ...

Companies and research institutes are invited to express their interest to sponsor the workshop and/or to set up a booth at the tradeshow

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