



**ISTA 12**  
**19-21 June 2019**  
**TWELFTH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON TILAPIA IN AQUACULTURE**  
**Chennai Trade Center, Chennai, INDIA**

Information release:

The Twelfth International Symposium on Tilapia in Aquaculture will be held in conjunction with the upcoming Asia Pacific Chapter of World Aquaculture Society in Chennai, India, June 19-21, 2019. Register at: <https://www.was.org/meetings/default.aspx?code=APA2019>. The ISTA 12 will include sessions on tilapia genetics and breeding, health and disease, production systems, nutrition, processing and marketing, and individual country reports. The technical events will be accompanied by social events including a dinner and a contest encouraging local eateries to compete with their best tilapia dishes to be voted upon by the attendees. Press and social media will be used to widely circulate information on the ISTA and tilapia farming and consumption in India and abroad.

The ISTA meetings are convened roughly every three years at a different location around the world. These symposia are organized by an international coordinating committee and then hosted by a local committee. In every case there have been multiple organizations represented on the international, local and trade show committees. The speakers are from a global array and the attendees normally represent over 40 countries. The peer reviewed proceedings are normally printed locally but the distribution is global, with the books available on the World Aquaculture and Amazon websites. The list of ISTA locations:

1. Bethlehem, Israel
2. Bangkok, Thailand
3. Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
4. Orlando, Florida, USA
5. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
6. Manila, Philippines
7. Veracruz, Mexico
8. Cairo, Egypt
9. Shanghai, China
10. Jerusalem, Israel (30th Anniversary of ISTA 1)
11. Surabaya, Indonesia
12. Chennai, India.

Every country that has hosted an ISTA has documented upsurges in tilapia production and consumption in the following months and years. We fully expect that India will experience a similar surge.

The papers submitted are reviewed by an international peer committee and authors are requested to respond to editorial recommendations before final acceptance or rejection for inclusion in the Proceedings. The Proceedings are issued ISBN numbers and are available on a global basis. These papers are widely cited in the scientific literature as can be noted in Google Scholar or other archiving and search software.

Please submit abstracts to: <https://www.was.org/meetings/default.aspx?code=APA2019> and complete manuscripts for consideration in the proceedings to: M.Menaga TNFU [Menaga@tnfu.ac.in](mailto:Menaga@tnfu.ac.in)

Regards

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