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Plenary Speakers and WAS-APC Awards at APA18

The Board of WAS-APC wish all a Happy New Year 2018, and thank all our partners and supporters for their continuous support and fruitful cooperation to make the Annual Conference and Exposition of Asian-Pacific Aquaculture a success. WAS-APC together with NTOU is organizing the #APA18 ASIAN PACIFIC AQUACULTURE 2018.

The International event will be hosted at the Taipei International Convention Center (TICC) from April 23 to 26, 2018 (Taiwan). The first plenary speaker will be Dr. Ching Fong Chang, President of NTOU and co-chair of APA18. His presentation will be the opportunity to introduce the conference theme “Aquaculture innovation, sustainability and food safety” to all APA18 participants.
Ching-Fong Chang is a distinguished Professor and the President of the National Taiwan Ocean University (NTOU). Under the leadership of the former presidents and through all the faculty and staff members’ efforts, National Taiwan Ocean University strives to be one of the most outstanding universities of Ocean Studies both in Taiwan and in the world. The University has transformed herself into a comprehensive university and is recognized in teaching, research and social services. It was awarded as one of the World Top 400 universities by The Times Higher Education (THE) in 2011.

The second plenary speaker is Dr. Wang Qingyin, President of the China Fisheries Society, and Senior Researcher at the Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute, CAFS, China. The title of his presentation is “Green Development--A Rational Approach to Sustainable Aquaculture”

“It is well known that China has achieved great progress in the field of aquaculture in the past three decades, but many problems or challenges are forcing the industry to search for more scientifically developing approaches for a sustainable development. Dr Wang hopes to take this opportunity to present some new progresses in this aspect.

WANG Qingyin is the President of the China Fisheries Society, senior researcher and former Director General of Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute, Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences (CAFS). He has been working on genetics and breeding of maricultural organisms and maricultural technologies since the early 1980s, especially on the selective breeding and genetic improvement of new varieties with traits such as faster growth rate and disease resistance in farming shrimps. He has published over 260 peer-reviewed articles and 20 books as chief editor on breeding and mariculture relevant themes. His research achievement “The breeding of ‘Huanghai No. 1’ new variety of shrimp Fenneropenaeus chinensis and healthy farming technology” was awarded as the
second class prize of National Science & Technology Invention Award of China in 2007, and over 10 achievements were awarded as province/ministry level science and technology progress award.

We are inviting all international aquaculture experts from industry, academia and governments to participate in this exceptional event. In addition to the conference, APA18 also organise tradeshow with >100 booth. The tradeshow will last for three days from April 24th to April 26th. The conference and exhibition hall is situated in a very convenient area of Taipei, closes to Taipei 101, in the heart of the city and close to many touristic activities.

As a kind Reminder, please note the DEADLINE for Submission of Papers for presentations at APA18 is January 31, 2018. Late abstract submission will be approved on a case-to-case basis upon decision of the program and session chairs. All abstracts should be submitted through the WAS website: www.was.org

**WAS-APC Awards at #APA18**

As every year, WAS-APC is offering Awards for this year’s event in Taipei. The student award structure is in line with the WAS award structure and WAS-APC will continue financing and awarding exceptional women within the field of aquaculture. Note that only members of WAS-APC can benefit from these awards (Registration on WAS Website at www.was.org). The three award categories are:

1. **Pre-conference Student Travel Awards** – Evaluated on Abstract
   - Best three abstracts will be awarded $400 USD to support their travel to #APA18

2. **Presentation/Poster Awards for Students** - Evaluated during the conference
   - Best two presentations will be awarded $600 USD & $400 USD
   - Best two posters will be awarded $600 USD & $400 USD

3. **Travel Award for exceptional Women working within Aquaculture** – Evaluated on submission
   - $600 USD for 2 women + free registration to APA conference.

For more details on the awards, please contact Dr. Felix S., chair of the Awards Committee of WAS-APC, and copy the WAS-APC secretariat apcsec@was.org

**Trade Show and Exhibition:**

Trade shows and exhibitions are an excellent way to promote businesses and products. 99 % of the booth for #APA18 are booked so we advise you to hurry and contact Mario (mario@marevent.com) to book a booth at the exhibition hall.
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