

**AQUACULTURE 2019 PLENARY SPEAKER
PROFESSOR PETER COOK**



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OUTCOMES OF THE INDUSTRY ?

After receiving his PhD from the University of Wales, Peter moved to the Zoology Department at the University of Cape Town (UCT) in South Africa where he was employed as a lecturer in animal physiology. After receiving several personal promotions, he was appointed as Full Professor and Head of Department in 2000. Peter's main research interests have involved various aspects of the biology of mariculture species such as mussels, oysters and abalone. He headed an extremely active Abalone Research Group in Cape Town and he, and his research team, have published widely on many aspects of abalone biology and aquaculture. His research work on this species was recognised internationally when, in 2000, he was elected President of the International Abalone Society. Peter is author, or co-author, of over 100 publications in the scientific and popular literature. He has also been editor of several recent Special Issues of the Journal of Shellfish Research that have been dedicated to publication of papers resulting from a number of International Abalone Symposia. He has given over 100 papers at local and international symposia, often as keynote speaker. He resigned as Head of Department of Zoology at UCT in 2001 and took up an adjunct appointment at the University of Western Australia in the Centre of Excellence in Natural Resource Management in Albany. Peter was elected as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the international Aquaculture Stewardship Council in 2015.