# Shrimp Aquaculture Dialogue Global Steering Committee (GSC) Meeting Paris, France

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#### **Summary of Key Outcomes and Discussion Points**

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### **Meeting Goals**

- Review leadership groups' proposed standards for all principles; identify areas of alignment and outstanding issues
- Develop methodology to address outstanding concerns leading up to next GSC meeting, to be held in November in Bangkok
- ➤ Discuss results of World Fish Center (WFC) work to date, suggested social standards, and plans for future coordination with the GSC
- ➤ Refine the GSC stakeholder outreach strategy and proposed work plan
- Clarify how remaining resources will be allocated

### **Key Outputs**

- ➤ Developed a single text annotated revision of the draft standards
- ➤ Surfaced and discussed core strategic components of the shrimp Dialogue process and the assumptions behind them
- ➤ Refined individual leadership group work plans for each principle area and a common calendar with deliverables over next eight weeks
- ➤ Reached agreement on a guiding outreach strategy and plan, and next steps for both GSC members and coordination team to engage key stakeholders now
- ➤ Identified "milestone conversations" that represent core value debates cutting across the standards and got feedback on the WWF plan for building alignment and sharing information
- ➤ Agreed to add to the GSC a representative from the Latin America shrimp industry
- Prioritized coordination support team tasks

### **Key points summary (by discussion area)**

### Clarifying the Roadmap / Taking Stock of Progress

The GSC remains on task to develop draft standards by the end of 2009. The GSC agreed that the key is to be prepared to negotiate over draft proposals by principle area at the next meeting in Bangkok. All agreed that progress is being made, but that more effort will be needed at the level of leadership groups to stay on task and on time.

#### Outreach

The group revised its outreach strategy and agreed that GSC members must take responsibility for engaging key stakeholders they know, as well as follow a common protocol to be developed by the coordination team. This approach is necessary to help vet development of the standards, address outstanding issues, accelerate core parts of the process, and enhance GSC ownership of draft standards.

## WFC Update on Social Standards Development

The GSC reviewed its expectations and concerns regarding WFC work. The WFC provided an update on its work to date, and captured key GSC feedback and requests –

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including more information on exactly whom the WFC is engaging in the field, their working definition of "community," clarification of community layers being engaged, and names of interviewees.

#### Refining the Draft Standards Document

The GSC reviewed and discussed the single text draft standards document. Discussion focused on areas of alignment, outstanding issues and next steps. The synthesis of key points from this section are captured in the single text draft in order to simplify notetaking.

#### Leadership Group Work Plans

Individual small leadership working groups were established to accelerate GSC progress between meetings. Those groups refined their work plans, calendars and deliverables up to the Bangkok meeting. The working calendar for conference calls is on the GSC website.

### **Next Steps**

The GSC will focus on leadership group work to further refine draft standard proposals by principle before Bangkok. Milestone issues will be addressed online. Ongoing communication with WFC will take place to maximize synergies on remaining outreach.