Freshwater Trout Aquaculture Dialogue Steering Committee Meeting June 1-2, 2010

Meeting Summary

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Meeting Background

The Steering Committee of the Freshwater Trout Aquaculture Dialogue (FTAD) met June 1 -2, 2010 in Paris, France to advance the development of standards for responsible freshwater trout production. The goals of the meeting were to:

- Revise and build agreement around the main components of the draft FTAD standards
- When agreement was not possible, name the issues the Steering Committee will seek feedback on during the public comment periods for the draft standards
- Build agreement on a roadmap to complete the FTAD process in 2010

Participants:

Steering Committee Members:

Niels Alsted - Biomar David Bassett – British Trout Association/FEAP Merrielle Macleod – World Wildlife Fund Sian Morgan - FishWise Marco Saroglia - Università dell'Insubria Yavuz Papila – LIMAN Margreet Van Vilsteren – North Sea Foundation Rene Benguerel – BlueYou

FTAD Coordinator:

Christoph Mathiesen – World Wildlife Fund

Facilitator: David Plumb – Consensus Building Institute

Summary of Key Points, By Discussion Area

Developing Draft Indicators and Standards

Prior to the meeting, Steering Committee members worked in pairs to develop proposals for draft indicators and standards. The proposals were based, in large part, on discussions held during committee-level conference calls in April and May 2010 and on input received during public FTAD meetings in Turkey, Spain, the Faroe Islands and Denmark from 2008 to 2010. The Steering Committee reviewed the work of the pairs, clarified the rationale for draft standards, and gave input on ways to write the document. The Steering Committee sub-groups will use this input to continue the drafting of standards for the first public comment period, which is expected to start in July 2010. Steering Committee members will continue to work closely with respected experts to assist in the development of draft standards.

Steering Committee Composition

Luz Arregui, a trout producer, has given up her seat on the Steering Committee but has volunteered to assist the committee in finalizing the draft standards for the first public comment

period. The Steering Committee discussed options for filling in the vacant producer seat as soon as possible.

Next Steps

Steering Committee members will continue to work in small groups and meet via conference calls to develop the draft standards for the first public comment period.

The Steering Committee expects to hold public meetings and conduct targeted outreach throughout the year. The next public Dialogue meeting will be September 7-8, 2010 in Verona, Italy to discuss comments received during the first public comment period. The FTAD Steering Committee will also be meeting in Verona September 9-10, 2010. Final standards are expected by the end of 2010.