

Collaborative sustainable growth in the aquaculture sector

5th and 6th of June 2023

Edinburgh, Scotland — Radisson Blu Hotel, Edinburgh City Centre, 80 High Street, The Royal Mile



Norwegian Embassy

Monday 5th of June

11:30 CHECK-IN AND COFFEE

12:30 LUNCH

13:30 INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Focusing on **Supporting sustainable growth within aquaculture through collaboration**, Kristian Henriksen, Cluster Manager of NCE Aquatech Cluster will open the conference.

Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs and Islands, Mairi Gougeon, will introduce **Scotland's aquaculture vision**, followed by **The Norwegian State Secretary Kristina Sigurdsdottir Hansen**, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries, will give a talk with focus on **Aquaculture in Norway**.

CEO of Salmon Scotland Tavish Scott sums up the introduction with a view on **Sector wide involvement: Colla-**

14:50 COFFEE BREAK

15:20 REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

Professor Russel Griggs gives us a short introduction to the **independent regulatory framework for Scottish Aquaculture**, followed by a presentation on the **recent eDNA development** and associated possibilities by **Michael Redford**, Ocean Ecology.

16:00 A FARMERS PERSPECTIVE

Ian Laister, Managing Director, Bakkafrost Scotland gives us their view on **Investment strategy and encompassing sustainability within our own operations** before **Clara McGhee**, Area Manager, **Mowi**, gives us a **farmers perspective** of aquaculture in Scotland.

Further, we will get a view of the sector for the next 50 years, before focus will be put on aquaculture and the community perspective.

To sum it all up **Keith Drynan**, **AquaGen Scotland** sets the agenda on how to create sustainable value from the beginning by talking about innovation in genetics and egg pro-

18:00 END DAY 1 OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

19:00 RECEPTION DINNER AT NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SCOTLAND

Tuesday 6th of June

08:30 CHECK-IN AND COFFEE

09:00 WELCOME DAY TWO

09:10 SUSTAINABLE AQUACULTURE

How do input factors like eggs, feed and vaccines impact the sustainability of aquaculture, and how do farmers decide among suppliers in terms of sustainability. The first panel of the day, with **Heather Jones (SAIC)**, **Catarina Martins (Mowi)**, **Paddy Campbell (Biomar)**, **TBA (Benchmark Genetics)** and **Ben North (Pharmaq)**, will

10:10 COFFEE BREAK

10:30 TRADITIONAL PRODUCTION METHODS

In a world with an ever-growing focus on new production methods for aquaculture, how does the future for the traditional methods look? Are we transitioning to a future with closed or offshore farming or do the traditional net pen still have its value? The second panel of the day, with **Hanne Digre (ScaleAQ)**, **Don Fowler (AKVA Group)**, **Herve Miguad (Mowi)**, **Alex MacInnes (Organic Sea Harvest)** and **Ragnhild Hollup (Optoscale)**, will give us their view on the future for sustainable farming with traditional production methods

11:20 COFFEE BREAK

11:40 NEW TECHNOLOGY

Is the future only closed and offshore production systems? And how «close to market» are those technologies? Are these technologies replacement for the traditional net pen, or a supplement that enables further growth?

Our final panel of the day will give us their insights on offshore farming, closed at sea and landbased production systems.

12:30 SUMMARY FROM PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Atholl Duncan, Chairman, Salmon Scotland

12:45 CLOSING REMARKS

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13:00 END OF CONFERENCE, LUNCH AND SAFE TRAVEL

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