THE AQUACULTURE & FISHERIES COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH SUPPORT

PROGRAM (AquaFish CRSP), based at Oregon State University and funded through a cooperative agreement with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), brings together resources from US and Host Country institutions to promote sustainable solutions in aquaculture. The program aims to increase aquaculture productivity, enhance environmental stewardship, address gender integration, and increase domestic and export markets opportunities in participating Host Countries through integrated, multidisciplinary partnerships.

AQUAFISH CRSP IN THE WORLD

Building on decades of success and lessons learned, AquaFish CRSP currently manages eight research projects in 16 countries through formal partnerships that involve 15 US universities and over 20 Host Country (HC) institutions. More than 70 additional collaborators cooperate with the US and HC partners. AquaFish CRSP supports over 40 investigations addressing constraints on aquaculture and fisheries in target countries. Work focuses on four global themes dealing with the sustainable use of aquatic resources for improved health and livelihoods among small-scale fish farmers, fishers, and their communities.

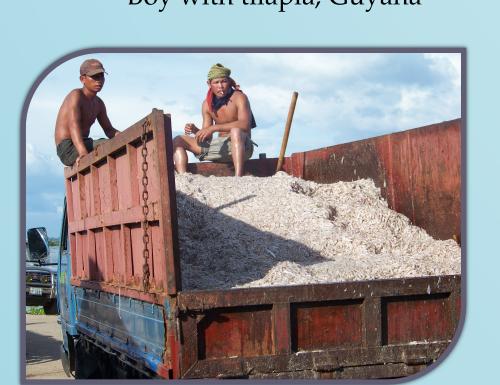
AquaFish CRSP maximizes its development achievements through world-class research, capacity building, and information dissemination. It is guided by the overall goal to improve the lives and income-generating abilities of small-scale farmers and fishers in target countries.

Lake Sélingué, Mali

Fish farm, Kenya



Boy with tilapia, Guyana



Value added product development, Cambodia



ADVANCING RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND OUTREACH IN AQUATIC RESOURCES THROUGH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



Children and fish, Cambodia



The Dai fishery, Cambodia

Oyster collecting, Mexico











Snakehead culture, Vietnam

Fish market, Mali

AQUAFISH CRSP GOALS

- Develop sustainable end-user level aquaculture and fisheries systems to increase productivity, enhance international trade opportunities, and contribute to responsible aquatic resource management;
- Enhance local capacity in aquaculture and aquatic resource management to ensure long-term program impacts at the community and national levels;
- Foster wide dissemination of research results and technologies to local stakeholders at all levels, including end-users, researchers, and government officials; and
- Increase Host Country capacity and productivity to contribute to national food security, income generation, and market access.

GLOBAL THEMES



Improved Health and Nutrition, Food Quality, and Food Safety



Income Generation for Small-Scale Fish Farmers and Fishers



Environmental Management for Sustainable Aquatic Resources Use



Enhanced Trade Opportunities for Global Fishery Markets











Woman with pacu

AQUAFISH CRSP PROJECTS

CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM

Development of Alternatives to the Use of Freshwater Low Value Fish for Aquaculture in the Lower Mekong Basin of Cambodia and Vietnam: Implications for Livelihoods, Production and Markets

Lead US Institution: University of Connecticut-Avery Point

NICARAGUA AND MEXICO

Human Health and Aquaculture: Health Benefits
Through Improving Aquaculture Sanitation and
Best Management Practices

Lead US Institution: University of Hawai'i at Hilo

KENYA, GHANA, AND TANZANIA

Improving Competitiveness of African Aquaculture Through Capacity Building, Improved Technology, and Management of Supply Chain and Natural Resources

Lead US Institution: Purdue University

CHINA, VIETNAM, AND NEPAL

Improving Sustainability and Reducing
Environmental Impacts of Aquaculture Systems in
China, and South and Southeast Asia
Lead US Institution: University of Michigan

PHILIPPINES AND INDONESIA

Improved Cost Effectiveness and Sustainability of Aquaculture in The Philippines and Indonesia
Lead US Institution: North Carolina State University

MEXICO AND GUYANA

Developing Sustainable Aquaculture for Coastal and Tilapia Systems in the Americas
Lead US Institution: University of Arizona

SOUTH AFRICA AND UGANDA

Hydrology, Water Harvesting, and Watershed
Management for Food Security, Income, and Health:
Small Impoundments for Aquaculture and other
Community Uses

Lead US Institution: Auburn University

MALI*

Aquatic Resource Use & Conservation for Sustainable Freshwater Aquaculture & Fisheries in Mali

Lead US Institution: Oregon State University

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