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FROM THE PRESIDENT

All Roads Lead to Brest...

Preparations are now well advanced for the forthcoming Joint Conference with IAMSLIC. I am very pleased to see so many members of Euraslic in the latest list of participants on the website, and look forward to seeing you all there. There promises to be some very interesting sessions and speakers from a wide range of backgrounds and geographic locations. The Programme coordinators have tried to ensure that there will be adequate time for questions following presentations, and a substantial number of discussion sessions have been built into the programme, so I encourage you to take up these opportunities to discuss issues of mutual interest with your colleagues. Once again, I express my thanks to all those involved in the extensive preparations for the Conference, and especially our Treasurer Michelle L'Excellent who has the cumbersome task of managing all of the financial aspects relating to Euraslic sponsored participants, and to the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of Unesco (IOC) for funding.

Situation Vacant...

Sébastien Saunier is now standing down as *Newsletter* Editor. On behalf of Euraslic I extend my thanks to Sébastien for his admirable work in producing the last three issues single-handedly and for taking the lead in producing our first electronic versions of the Newsletter. The *Euraslic Newsletter* is a benefit of Membership. It is only distributed or made available to Euraslic members, and it is the medium through which members can share information about events and activities within their own institutes, countries and regions; it is also a vehicle through which the Board can update members on their activities and actions taken on behalf of the Membership. Whilst many members can use the Euraslic Discussion List for these purposes, and can access the website, there are still Euraslic members who cannot, and so the twice-yearly *Newsletter* still plays an important role. Work shared, is work halved, and so the Board is now seeking two volunteers to become Joint

Editors for future issues of the *Newsletter*. I would like to emphasise that it is not the role of Newsletter Editors to provide the content, but merely to compile and edit items sent to them for inclusion. One of the roles of National Representatives is to provide input from their Countries, but any member can submit items that they think will be of interest to their fellow members. If you are interested in assisting in the editing of future issues of the *Euraslic Newsletter*, please contact a member of the Board. Further discussions about the *Newsletter* will take place at the Euraslic Business Meeting in Brest, so please give it some thought.

Euraslic Business Meetings

At the forthcoming Conference there will be two Euraslic Business Meetings, giving us ample time to discuss Euraslic matters. As usual we will be looking for a number of volunteers, I have already mentioned that we need *Newsletter* Editors. We will also be seeking suitable persons to serve on the Nominating Committee for the next Executive Board. As this Conference falls six months short of the normal two-year period of office for Executive Board Members, all members of the current Executive Board have kindly agreed to stay in post for the full two years, until the end of April 2002; but the Nomination and Election process for members of the next Executive Board will begin as soon as the Conference is over.

One very important item that will be raised for discussion at the forthcoming Business Meeting in Brest will be a proposal for an Executive Secretary Post for Euraslic. In recent years the individual workloads of Euraslic members have increased considerably, making it difficult for them to commit time to additional activities such as

serving on the Board of Euraslic, on Working Groups, as Newsletter Editors, and particularly in volunteering to assist in the very important task of organising Euraslic Conferences. To address this latter issue especially, and to provide a higher level of support to the work of the Board and other Euraslic activities, at the Business Meeting in Brest I will be raising the suggestion that the position of Euraslic Secretary is elevated to that of Executive Secretary and that the incumbent receives an annual honorarium, in return for carrying out an agreed number of duties on behalf of the Association. Full details of the Proposal are included below.

I look forward to lively discussions on this and other issues with members in Brest, and to hearing by post or email the views of members who are unable to attend the Conference.

Best regards

Joan Baron Varley
Euraslic President

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Message from the editor

According to Joan in her "From the President", I'm now standing down as Newsletter editor.

Now, Newsletters are available in electronic version and on the Euraslic Website (thank you Sofia !).

Thanks also to all Euraslicers who send me contributions for these 3 Newsletters.

I hope you have had a good reading with these issues... Sorry for my poor english a new time !

All roads lead to Brest...

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the October issue is the 30
September.

Please, for next Newsletters, wait for
IAMSLIC/EURASLIC joint conference
in Brest or send all items for inclusion
to our EURASLIC President , *Joan
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If possible, send it as an attachment to
your e-mail in either doc or rtf format
or send a diskette.

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Proposed duties of the Euraslic executive secretary

The Euraslic Executive Secretary will:

- Coordinate the activities involved in the selection, nomination and voting of new members to the Euraslic Executive Board.
- Assist in the organisation of Euraslic Conferences working in close collaboration with the Local Organiser and the Euraslic Board.
- Be responsible for identifying and seeking sponsorship for potential participants and other Conference activities.
- Assist the Euraslic Treasurer in the collection, administration and allocation of sponsorship money.
- Coordinate the editing, printing and distribution of the Conference Proceedings to all Conference participants and all other Euraslic members.
- Assist in the preparation, production and distribution of the *Euraslic Newsletter* as required.
- Liaise with the Euraslic Website Manager over changes and additions to the Euraslic Website.
- Update and maintain entries in the Euraslic Directory and prepare this data for a new printed edition.

Executive Secretary - Annual Budget:

- The Euraslic Executive Board will agree an annual budget for the Executive Secretary.
- The annual budget may only be used in respect of items and activities agreed by the Board at the beginning of the financial year.
- Any additional funds or change in the use of funds must be approved by the Board in advance.
- The Executive Secretary must provide brief quarterly reports to the Executive Board on the expenditure of funds during the preceding quarter, and a full report to the Board and Membership annually on the expenditure of funds during the preceding year.

Initial Appointment

The initial appointment would be for a 12 month period from 1st April 2002 to include a 3 month probationary period during which time the post-holder may resign with immediate effect, or the Board may dispense with their services with

immediate effect. In each of the aforesaid circumstances, the post-holder will receive a pro-rata payment related to the amount of time actually worked. Preference should be given to members of Euraslic who volunteer for this position.

If the person volunteering plans to carry out their duties at their place of work, then they must provide documentary evidence that they have the permission of their employer to do so. Any expenses they might incur, in respect of their working location, must be agreed by the Euraslic Executive Board in advance.

Important Note:

Euraslic does not want to move into the position of becoming an Employer with all of the legal obligations that entails; but merely wishes to provide recognition for the person giving up their own time to carry out these duties. Suggested annual honorarium, US\$1,500.

**Joan Baron Varley,
Euraslic President**

Results of the Euraslic bylaws review

At the Eighth Euraslic Conference in Aberdeen, May 2000, a Working Group was set up to review the Euraslic Bylaws. In August 2001 the results of that Review were presented to the Euraslic Board, and the Board agreed with the recommended changes. At the forthcoming Euraslic Business Meeting in Brest, Members will be invited to vote on and ratify these changes. The current Bylaws are at the front of your Euraslic Membership Directory.

Suggested Revisions (the text in bold is the new text)

Article 3. Membership

Section 1. Eligibility

Current paragraph:

Membership shall be open to all European persons and European organizations having an interest in library and information science as it is applied to the aquatic environment.

Replace current paragraph with:

Membership shall be open to all European persons and European organizations having an interest in library and information science as it is

applied to the aquatic sciences and related disciplines.

Article 3. Membership

Section 4. Associate Membership

Current paragraph:

Associate Membership shall be open to those persons or organizations that are not able to pay for Personal or Institutional Membership, or who are not eligible for geographic reasons. Associate Members may not vote or hold office, and shall pay for services that they receive.

Replace current paragraph with:

Associate Membership shall be open to those European persons or European organizations that are not able to pay for Personal or Institutional Membership, or those who are not eligible for geographic reasons. European persons who are Associate Members or who represent a European organization that holds Associate Membership, may vote and hold office. Associate members who are not eligible for geographic purposes, may not vote or hold office, and shall pay for services that they receive.

Article 4. Executive Board

Section 2. Composition

Current paragraph:

The Executive Board shall consist of the following officers: the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two (2) elected Representatives of the Membership.

Replace current paragraph with:

The Executive Board shall consist of the following officers: the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two (2) elected Representatives of the Membership. The Newsletter Editor(s), Website Manager, and Past President will serve as non-voting *ad hoc* members of the Board subject to any constraints specified in Article 6, sections 1, 3 and 4. The Executive Board may appoint up to three additional non-voting *ad hoc* members to the Board as they deem necessary to enhance the functions of the Board. These additional *ad hoc* members may not necessarily be members of Euraslic.

Article 6. Other Official Positions

Section 1. Newsletter Editor

Change title of this section to: Newsletter Editor(s)

Current paragraph:

The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for the preparation of the EURASLIC Newsletter, and shall be appointed by the Executive Board for such period as the Board shall determine.

Replace current paragraph with:

The Newsletter Editor(s) shall be responsible for the preparation of the EURASLIC Newsletter, and shall be appointed by the Executive Board for such period as the Board shall determine. The Newsletter Editor(s) shall serve as non-voting *ad hoc* members of the Euraslic Board.

Section 2. National Correspondents

Change title of this section to: National Representatives

New Section 3. Website Manager

The Website Manager shall be responsible for the development and management of the Euraslic Website under policy agreed by the Executive Board, and shall be appointed by the Executive Board for such period of time as the Board shall determine. The Website Manager shall serve as a non-voting *ad hoc* member of the Euraslic Board.

New Section 4. Past President

The Past President will continue to serve in an advisory capacity as a non-voting *ad hoc* member of the Board, for the two-year period following their term of office.

Article 7. Committees

End of the first sentence. 'ft' should be 'it'

Article 10. Funds, Contracts, Property

Section 4. Permanent Address

Change title of this section to: Registered Address

The registered address in Paris should replace the existing text.

Members of the Bylaws Working Group:

Joan Baron Varley (Chair), Support unit for International Fisheries and Aquatic Research, FAO, Rome, Italy; Ann-Sofi Israelson; Statens Naturvardsvertk, Solna, Sweden; Maria Kalenchits; Estonian Marine Institute, Tallinn, Estonia; Ian McCulloch, Centre for Ecology and

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Responsibilities of Euraslic national representatives

In May 2001 the list of responsibilities of Euraslic National Representatives, originally drafted by Maria Kalenchits, was agreed by the Board and posted on the Euraslic Website.

1. A Euraslic National Representative acts as a link with other Euraslic members in their country and any relevant National Associations.

2. National Representatives represent the views of Euraslic members in their home country and/or the relevant National Associations to Euraslic.

3. National Representatives are encouraged to recruit new members from their home country.

4. National Representatives take responsibility for distributing Euraslic leaflets and other Euraslic documents, as may be requested, within their home country.

5. National Representatives actively encourage contributions to the *Euraslic Newsletter*.

6. National Representatives present a Country Report, biennially, to the Euraslic Conference. If the National Representative cannot attend the Euraslic Conference, the Country Report should be presented by another Euraslic member from that country. In the case that the country is not represented at the Euraslic Conference by any of the Euraslic members in that country, the Country report should be submitted to the conference organisers.

7. A National Representative shall notify the Board when he/she resigns, and should endeavour to pass their duties to another Euraslic member in their country.

Euraslic discussion list

There has been a change affecting the Euraslic Discussion List. e-groups, the Discussion List host, has recently merged with Yahoo! and we are all now getting used to the new system. Barbara Schmidt continues as the Discussion List Moderator. You have to register with Yahoo! to access the list at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/euraslic>

To send a message to the group use:
euraslic@yahogroups.com.

Projects

Development of an open access on-line Fish Technology Knowledge Base

The main objective of this new EU project is to facilitate development of

- R&D in post-harvest fisheries technology and utilisation.
- application of fish processing technology.
- better quality and safety of fish products.

The objective will be achieved by developing

- An on-line, open access **Fish Technology Knowledge Base** through a prototype <http://www.nelfish.com> linked to the FAO portal <http://www.oneFish.org>
- A co-operative **Network of Expert User Centres** to input information into the Knowledge Base
- A **Fish Technology Discussion Forum** within the *oneFish* platform to facilitate online discussion, finding contacts and developing ideas.

The user centres will support the input of information and its quality assurance. FAO will host and maintain the system. The main work-packages are:

- Compiling of a topic tree and keywords in their Internet format; Collecting data from diverse sources; Transferring data into the knowledge base; Linking the knowledge base and *oneFish*;
- Forming a network of users within WEFTA and associated countries;

Testing and de-bugging the knowledge base; Responding to feedback of users; Arranging for supported operation of the Knowledge Base.

Project Participants

The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, UK; Food and Agriculture Organisation of the UN, Rome, Italy; Icelandic Fisheries Laboratory, Reykjavik, Island; Instituto de Investigação das Pescas e do Mar, Lisbon, Portugal; Morski Instytut Rybacki w Gdyni (Sea Fisheries Institute Gdynia), Poland; National Engineering Laboratory, Glasgow, UK; and Torry Research Limited, Aberdeen, UK.

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WEBSITES

Euraslic Website

<http://www.euraslic.org>

The domain name euraslic.org has been reserved by the Association for a period of five years, and work is currently in hand to implement this changeover. The website will continue to be hosted by NCMR in Athina, Greece and managed by Sofia Goulala, only the domain name will change.

Euraslic Directory

<http://ioc2.unesco.org:591/euraslic/>

Members are invited to visit the site and review and update the information relating to their own library. National Representatives are requested to review the details of other libraries in their country or region, and to encourage their non-Euraslic colleagues to update their entries; or if this is not possible, to inform the Euraslic Board of any major discrepancies. If you have forgotten your password, please contact Peter Pissierssens: p.pissierssens@unesco.org

Earth Summit 2002

<http://www.earthsummit2002.org>

Ten years after the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio, the world's nations will gather again in

Johannesburg next September to review progress and plan for the future. Preparations for the World Summit on Sustainable Development 2002 are well under way, emphasising a transparent and participatory approach. Check out this comprehensive site and express your views in the online debates.

Future E-Access to the Primary Literature - Web Debate

<http://www.nature.com/nature/debates/e-access/>

The journal *Nature* has initiated a debate about "the most crucial and talked-about aspect of scientific publishing – the impact of the web on the publication of original research". This hinges on The Public Library of Science (PLS) initiative, a drive to ensure that publishers will put original research into unrestricted, centralised, databases that will offer free access. When this initiative started, over 20,000 scientists, including 800 from the UK, gave it their support. From September, the signatories intend to contribute only to journals which offer free access for a period of time after publication. The move is opposed by leading figures in the publishing world, who warn of dire consequences, including the disappearance of many journals. Why don't you check out this site and add your views to the debate.

Public Library of Science

<http://www.publiclibraryofscience.org/>

A non-profit organization of scientists committed to making the world's scientific and medical literature freely accessible to scientists and to the public around the world, for the benefit of scientific progress, education and the public good. Go to the website to read more about this organization and their efforts to establish a non-profit scientific publisher.

Free Peer Reviewed Electronic Journals from BioMed:

<http://www.sbu.ac.uk/litc/lt/2001/news2169.html>

BioMed Central announces the first group of research journals to be launched in a new publishing initiative. This initiative is designed to allow groups of researchers to publish online journals representing their community and to offer free access to the research articles within these new journals. The journals will use BioMed Central's established publishing infrastructure, comprising an online

submission system, electronic tools for peer-review, and the ability to publish accepted articles in both PDF and HTML formats.

Copyright Owners

<http://www.loc.gov/copyright/search/>

The US Copyright Office and the Library of Congress have introduced a new tool to search for the copyright owners of registered works. The database covers post-1978 registrations, and has three databases for books, software, artwork and other media, serials, and copyright ownership documentation. It replaces the older LOCIS (Library of Congress Information Service).

Impact of the Internet on Learning & Teaching:

<http://UBMAIL.ubalt.edu/~harsham/interactive.htm>

The site covers how to begin, how to operate, and how to make e-learning successful and enjoyable.

Digital Preservation Commons

<http://www.oclc.org/digitalpreservation/>

This site is intended to promote discussion on the vitally important issues of preservation and archiving.

Information Science Abstracts Now Enhanced on Dialog and SilverPlatter:

<http://www.infotoday.com/newsbreaks/nb010820-1.htm>

Information Today, Inc. has announced that the Information Science Abstracts (ISA) database has been reloaded on both the Dialog and SilverPlatter information services.

Centre for Research in Library and Information Management

<http://www.mmu.ac.uk/hss/cerlim/main/about.htm>

Current research projects are concerned with: the role of libraries in lifelong, open and distance learning; quality management techniques and tools and their use in measuring the performance of traditional and electronic libraries; Internet search engine performance; models of and access to 'hybrid' (print & electronic) libraries; library and information services to blind and visually impaired persons; the use of ICTs to encourage community cultural development.

IntraFish

<http://www.intrafish.com/>

An online news and information service for the fishery industry. Includes news articles, research reports and links to market information, directories and company sites. You can register for free and receive regular news updates by email.

Two celebrations for our polish colleagues

Extracts from the Poland Country Report, 2001.

Our congratulations go to two Euraslic member institutes in Poland that are celebrating anniversaries this year.

Morski Instytut Rybacki

Morski Instytut Rybacki (MIR) - the Sea Fisheries Institute in Gdynia celebrated its 80th anniversary in June. During the last 80 years, this Institute has developed into a world renowned research centre in the field of sea fisheries. The Institute has contributed a vast amount to the universal knowledge on marine and fishery sciences and technology and is highly respected among the international community. The Institute's library co-ordinates the documentation of Polish fisheries journals for ASFIS and has been an ASFA partner since 1995. For more information about MIR go to: <http://www.mir.gdynia.pl>.

Instytut Rybactwa Śródladowego

Celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year is Instytut Rybactwa Śródladowego - the Inland Fisheries Institute (IFI) in Olsztyn. Founded in 1951 to address the needs of fisheries management, IFI plays an important role as an information bank for the needs of inland fisheries, and for all information users interested in fisheries and freshwater environments. Over the last 50 years, IFI staff have been actively involved in research and have published many papers in both Polish and foreign journals, indeed, more than 20% of the Polish literature on the subjects of fisheries, aquaculture and hydrobiology is written by IFI scientists. For more information about IFI go to: <http://www.infish.com.pl>.

PUBLICATIONS

International librarianship: cooperation and collaboration. Carroll, F.L.; Harvey,

J.F., eds. x,367p. Lanham, Maryland (USA), Scarecrow Press, 2001. ISBN 0-8108-3921-0. Price: US\$ 65.00. Thirty-two papers, including case studies and analyses, reflect experiences in the transfer of library techniques and technical information between developed and developing countries, and within regions. Every continent is represented, and the experiences reflect both the variety of tasks handled by library and information professionals, and the diversity of environments and systems in which they operate. The chapter by Joan Baron, entitled "Aquatic library and information networks" (pp.59-72) includes an account of Euraslic and its contribution to information transfer and exchange within Europe.

Attributes of a trusted digital repository: meeting the needs of research resources. RLG-OCLC Draft Report, August 2001. RLG, Mountain View, CA, USA.

This draft report describes a framework for reliable repositories for digital content capable of handling the size, range and type of materials held by research repositories. Comments are invited.

<http://www.rlg.org/longterm/attributes01.pdf>

Making new technologies work for human development: UNDP Human Development Report 2001.

Technology networks are transforming the traditional map of development, expanding people's horizons and creating the potential to realize in a decade progress that required generations in the past. Read the report at: <http://www.undp.org/hdr2001/>

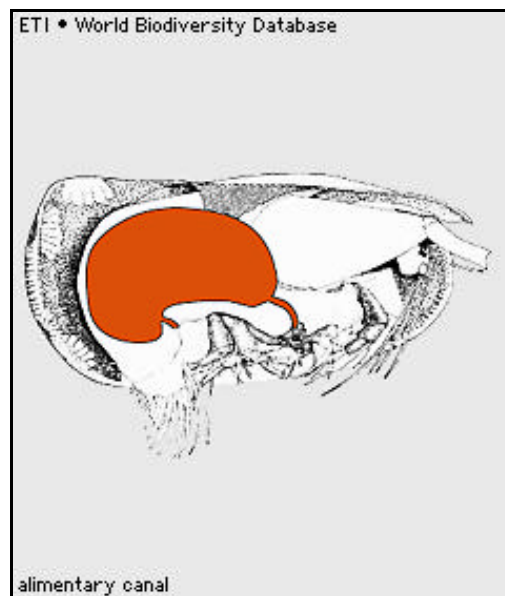
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Marine planktonic ostracods – cd-rom



There are still 6 copies of this CD-ROM available for free distribution to any EURASLIC members who would find it useful. The illustrated interactive identification key covers 83 marine planktonic ostracod species from the continental shelf around the British Isles and South Norway. It also

includes a glossary and a comprehensive list of literature references.

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Mémoires de l'Institut océanographique, Monaco, n° 19, 1999

Traité de zoologie : anatomie, systématique, biologie ; tome VII, Crustacés : fascicule IIIA, Bacescu, D. Bellan-Santini, G.A. Boxshall & al. ; dir. J. Forest, dir.-gén. P.-P. Grassé. - 1999. - VIII-450 p., fig. ISBN 2-7260-0202-1

Crustacea volumes I and II of tome VII of the *Traité de zoologie* were published in 1994 and 1996 respectively, by Editions Masson. The first included general papers on the group, the second concluded the general account and began the Systematics (Cephalocarida to Syncarida).

Volume III, originally planned as a single volume, has been divided into volume IIIA (Peracarida) and volume IIIB (Hoplocarida and Eucarida), both to be published in the *Mémoires de l'Institut océanographique, Monaco*.

The volume IIIA is devoted to the very large assemblage of Peracarida. The first chapter of volume IIIA, by Robert R. Hessler and Les Watling, reviews the characters which traditionally define this super-order, and also the debate that has taken place during recent years, which has cast some doubt on its homogeneity. The eight included orders are treated in individual chapters, except the Isopoda, from which the Epicarida have been given a separate chapter. Each group is provided with an account of the present knowledge in the field covered by the *Traité* : morphology and internal anatomy, physiological features, reproduction and

development, ethology and ecology, biogeography, phylogeny and, lastly, systematics, with the classification presently used. The text is supported by a great number of illustrations: drawings, SEM photographs, and diagrams, either original, or reproduced from the literature. Lastly, with more than 1700 references, the work is also a very rich bibliographical source. The sixteen French and foreign carcinologists who contributed to the volume are among the best specialists in their respective fields.

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Price for volume II : **400,00 F (60,98 €)**
(postage by economic mail included)

Events

Managing Resources in a Sea of Change: 27th Annual IAMSLIC Conference and the 9th Euraslic Conference, October 14-18, 2001, Brest, France.

Keynote Speakers at the Conference are: John Akeroyd, Head of Learning and Information Services and Director of the Library Information Technology Centre (LITC) at London's South Bank University. Mr Akeroyd will give the opening keynote paper on 'Managing Resources in a Sea of Change'. On Tuesday morning, Harald von Hielmcron, Head of Research and Special Collections at the State and University Library of Aarhus, Denmark will give the keynote paper 'The Development of Copyright within the European Union'. Sessions include: Managing Information in a Sea of Change; Digital Library Projects; Electronic Journals Management;

Copyright and Scholarly Publishing; Access to Information; Document Delivery and Resource Sharing; Internet Systems and Tools; and Document Imaging. There will be a Panel Discussion on `Librarians without Walls: Institutional Leadership Roles and Opportunities; and Discussions Sessions for: Environmental Librarians; and on African Libraries; a Mediterranean Special Interest Group; and an Eastern Regional Review. Paul Niewenhuysen will be running a Workshop on `Presentations Live and through the WWW'; and there will be a Virtual Poster session and two Country Reports sessions.

Fourth World Seafood Inspection Congress, Vancouver, Canada, October 24-26, 2001

If you work in a library that supports an Institute involved in the safety and quality of fishery products, then you should make a note of the following Conference. Even if your scientists are unable to attend, they will be interested in the papers presented and outputs from the Conference:

One of the biggest events happening in HACCP is the 4th World Fish Inspection & Quality Control Congress to be held in Vancouver, Canada, October 24-26, 2001. The Congress will have key speakers from FAO, FDA, Thailand, Brazil, Iceland, Canada, U.S. and other countries give presentations on HACCP Implementation, and on improvements in food quality and safety systems. A special round table will be held on harmonizing different country HACCP systems and obtaining common agreements to facilitate trade. Other workshops during the Congress will deal with Technology, Science and Aquaculture issues. Special workshops have also been organized in advance of the Congress, including workshops on Sensory Evaluation, Risk Assessment and another on Traceability. Following the Congress, participants may wish to take part in a Study Tour of fish processing and inspection facilities on Vancouver Island.

The Congress is sponsored by FAO and the International Association of Fish Inspectors. John Emberley, former head of Fish Inspection in Canada, is the Executive Director of IAFI, which is a non-profit group that represents fish inspectors around the world.

For additional information, Please visit the IAFI web site www.iafi.net or contact John

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IIFET 2002: Eleventh Biennial Conference of the International Institute of Fisheries Economics & Trade, Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington, August 19-22, 2002. <http://osu.orst.edu/Dept/IIFET/brisbane.html>

Themes: The conference will include a variety of sessions on theoretical and empirical bio-economic modelling, aquaculture economics, and related fisheries management and markets topics.

In addition, the following proposed themes will give the conference a Pacific flavour, in the international fisheries context: Future paths for rights based fishing (ITQs) - co-management, devolution and beyond; Fisheries trade in the context of further trade reform through the World Trade Organization; Economic solutions to customary fishing rights issues; Regional approaches to managing High Seas and Migratory fish stocks; Ecolabelling for fish; Fisheries in the context of Oceans policy.

Please send email to Ann.L.Shriver@orst.edu to be added to the electronic mailing list to receive conference mailings.

IIFET, the International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade, is a global organization promoting scientific discussion and exchange of ideas on economic issues surrounding marine resources. Please see our Website or contact Ann Shriver for more information about the organization.

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