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Draft standard format of national report to the CAQ

INTRODUCTION

1. During the 7th session of CAQ (Rome, Italy 8–10 March 2011) it was acknowledged the importance of the large amount of research activities carried out by the national research institutions. It was also stressed that the dissemination of the results from research activities would provide additional contribution on scientific cooperation and additional inputs for management advice toward the development of sustainable aquaculture in the GFCM region.

2. It was therefore suggested to develop a suitable reporting system supported by a standard template, to be used by Members to report on their national aquaculture research and development activities. It was also agreed to submit a draft standard reporting format for consideration and possible adoption by the Commission.

3. The Annex 1 reproduces the draft template for the preparation of national reports on aquaculture issues. The template covers the main features of a country's national research framework, including progress and achievements within the biological, technical, social and environmental dimensions of the aquaculture sector. It also provides an overview on the future aquaculture research programmes and projects to be undertaken at national and international level.

FOLLOW-UP

4. The Committee is invited to review this draft standard format of national report and may wish to revise it as appropriate and submit it to the consideration of the Commission. The Committee may propose to establish a deadline for annual reporting and invite the Secretariat to elaborate a regional synthesis of the information reported.

ANNEX 1

DRAFT FORMAT FOR NATIONAL REPORTS
(not to exceed 3 pages)/(pas plus de 3 pages)

1. General information

Country	
Name of compiler	
Title of compiler	
Institution of compiler	
Date of submission	

2. Status of national research framework

Description of the national research framework and research projects related to aquaculture of interest to GFCM CAQ Working Groups.

3. Status of the biological sciences and technical studies on aquaculture in progress during the intersessional period

Description of the achievement and/or progress in activities related to the national research on the biological aspects of the aquaculture sector (seed production; new species; aquatic animal health; farming systems and technology; feed production; etc.).

4. Status of the economic studies on aquaculture in progress or achieved during the intersessional period

Description of the achievement and/or progress in activities related to the national research on the economic aspects of the aquaculture sector (production trends and possible future scenarios; national and international market studies; market risk analysis; market oriented approach and strategies for the sustainable development of aquaculture; certification and traceability; new products; etc.).

5. Status of the social sciences studies in progress or achieved during the intersessional period

Description of the achievement and/or progress in activities related to the national research on the social aspects of the aquaculture sector (role of aquaculture farmers' organizations; employment in aquaculture; etc.).

6. Environmental studies with reference to the aquaculture activities

Description of the main results from actions, studies and monitoring programmes in progress and carried out during the intersessional period, and which are relevant to the impact on the marine environment and ecosystems originated by aquaculture activities.

7. List of funded aquaculture research programmes and projects since 2010**8. Future aquaculture research programmes and projects at national and international level**