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Latin America

Appendix 3.1

ACTIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE CAPACITY AND CONTRIBUTION OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR

Capacity and contribution of the public sector

Put in place and enforce adequate administrative procedures to facilitate orderly expansion

Implementation of proactive and adaptive public sector that facilitates technology transfer and technical assistance, encourages R&D and education, facilitates access to financial support, etc.

Involve municipal and local governments in aquaculture

Increased training for public sector employees to support aquaculture

Foster increased private-public sector partnerships

Increased awareness of public sector capabilities and

limitations

Increase connection links with industry

Appendix 3.2

OTHER FACTORS WHICH MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO REDUCE AQUACULTURE DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION AND PRACTICAL MEANS TO LESSEN/CONTAIN THE LIKELIHOOD OF OCCURRENCE OF THESE FACTORS

Negative factors	Containment means		
Lack of institutional support (legislation, codes of practice, etc.)	Governments to recognize and prioritize aquaculture as an important economic activity		
	Create or adapt Technology Transfer Institutions		
	Prepare, pass and ratify proactive legislations including codes of practices and sanitary measures (e.g. HACCP) and put in place adequate administrative procedures		
	Make educational plans, facilities and related material available to policy makers and users		
	Training and capacity building for public sector		
Environmental concerns	Governments to recognize that problems exist and find ways to tackle them rather than hiding them		
	Develop practical and realistic environmental standards for aquaculture		
	Get the industry well organized (producers' associations, good and permanent contacts with local governments and fellow associations, good public relations) and apply adequate codes of practice		
	Instruct the industry on the potential for environmental damages		
	Improve public awareness (for example, through existing media) of aquaculture benefits		
	Encourage semi-intensive aquaculture activities		
	Conduct EIAs before approving new farms/projects		
	Develop practical and operational environmental regulation systems (including EIAs) with proper sanctions for their violation		
Economic policy issues of a general nature	Prepare national and/or regional aquaculture development plans to orient both private and public activities in this field		
	Publicize the potential of aquaculture to create jobs, supply protein, and to foster economic development in general		
	Provide proper advice on international/global markets		
	Provide incentives to the private sector to conduct R&D a the early stages of development		
	Design adequate strategies to promote exports and/or local consumption as appropriate		
	Implement economic policies which promote/encourage private sector investment		

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Negative factors	Containment means	
Economic policy issues of a general nature (cont.)	Develop and implement data collection models which are conducive to reliable statistics	
	Set up computerized national statistics programmes	
	Governments to systematically control private sector activities and its development	
Lack of technical support	Create adequate institutional facilities, train monitors and help small-scale producers directly	
	Public investments in extension services/programmes	
	Increase financial support to training activities to improve training institutions, promote research and improve education of technical public sector staff	
	Prepare and distribute adequate documentation	
	Provide farmer-friendly manuals such as fliers and curricula to disseminate new technologies	
Lack of financing for aquaculture	Design appropriate financial schemes such as creating microcredit with specific lines for the aquaculture sector	
	Give proper licensing to aquaculture and enhance or backup aquaculture trust for banking/credit issues	
	Call for investment proposals through open contests and finance the best alternatives available	
	Source external funding	
	Adopt self-financing farming technologies and informal lending mechanisms	
	Integrate aquaculture in locally funded activities	
	Develop revolving funds with low interest rates	
	International financing agencies to provide loans via government. Governments to provide these funds to farmers at concessionary rates and long term payback periods	
	Categorize aquaculture as a type of agriculture, requiring the same government financial support and incentives (there were divergences here in experts' rating)	

Negative factors	Containment means			
Lobbying by NGOs	Publicize the potential of aquaculture to create jobs, supply protein, and to foster economic development in general			
	Publicize aquaculture as having the potential to reduce dependence on capture fisheries, thereby preserving natural ecosystems			
	Prepare adequate information, dissemination materials and training to staff			
	Address the issues of concern. Don't conceal them			
	Get the industry organized to respond responsibly and consistently			
	Promote semi-intensive aquaculture (divergences in expert's rating)			
	Develop proper environmental and social regulations to support sustainable aquaculture			
Decreased availability of feeds	Look for alternative locally-produced feed and compost			
	Increase use of plant protein			
	Conduct more R&D for alternative raw materials and synthetic components			
	Promote integrated aquaculture			
	Adopt closed systems using natural feed (plankton)			
	Use of herbivorous and omnivorous species			
	Develop good connections with feed industry and new technologies in feed products			
	Support technologies for development of new and less expensive protein sources			
	Improve culture practices to diminish feed conversion factors			
Lack of technologies to farm endemic species	Coordinate and give critical mass to R&D activities and make sure financing is made available for extended periods of time			
	Support local research trough better regional cooperation			
	Training to personnel			
	Select and focus on a small number of species with greatest potential and develop their farming technologies			
	Foster greater linkages with countries possessing same or similar species and look for possibilities of transferring their technologies into the country			

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Negative factors	Containment means			
Spread of diseases	Design and implement adequate administrative controls			
	Organize the industry around farmers associations and clusters			
	Have adequate laboratory facilities and trained staff			
	Prioritize sanitary programmes and strengthen regional cooperation			
	Establish government managed quarantine systems			
	Adhere to established codes of conduct and practices			
	Set up regulations on imports into and transfers within countries			
	Develop and enforce proper health management practices and strong regulation with relevant private and public sector involvement			
Hurricanes or other catastrophic events	Arrange for disaster prevention and recovery systems			
	Develop efficient warning systems and emergency preparedness to farmers communities and local regional governments			
	Timely disseminate relevant information			
	Establish public rehabilitation banks in different areas of the country			
Civil unrest	Generate employment			
	Increase wealth distribution			
	Develop proper communications with all stakeholders and support strong and realistic social/economic regulations for aquaculture considering proper share of incomes			