GAF7 will be the 7th major conference organised by the Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries Section of the Asian Fisheries Society. The series builds on two earlier Women in Fisheries symposia.

**Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries Section, and Asian Institute of Technology**

18-21 October 2018

AIT Campus, Bangkok
Thailand

**Website**

[www.gafconference.org](http://www.gafconference.org)

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GAF7 will explore expanding the horizons for gender equality and inclusiveness in aquaculture & fisheries. We welcome participants from all countries.

![Fish markets in Assam](https://example.com/fish-market-assam.jpg)

**Fish markets in Assam. Photo: Deepjyoti Baruah, ICAR-Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research, Uttarakhand, India.**

GAF7 is being convened by the Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries Section of the Asian Fisheries Society and the Asian Institute of Technology, and is inviting sponsors and partners to join us in this exciting event.
Who should attend?

All interested in gender in aquaculture & fisheries
Scientists
Academics
Technicians
Fisheries officers
Policy makers
Managers
Non-governmental organisation experts
Grassroots representatives
Students
Development workers
Fish industry specialists
Fish certification agents

The history of GAF conferences

The journey of the GAF network over 20 years has been slow but steady. Our previous conferences partnered with the Asian Fisheries Society’s Triennial Forum. Today, the GAF network is a formal Section of the Society and is expanding its horizons, starting with its first independent event.

Through the long journey bringing gender to the fore and including it in the general discourse in fisheries, new insights have been gained. However, challenges continue – some as old as the debate itself and some relatively new and emerging in the face of sector dynamics. Real change can come only with new commitment to equality principles, strong policies translated into sensible and implementable programmes and long term commitment. While a lot of lip service is given to the issues, very little translates into funding for work on the ground. Gender is generally a tail-end component in projects. However, several examples of gender inclusion right from inception are beginning to emerge, and this is a welcome change. Read more on Genderaquafish.org.

GAF conferences endeavour to explore the expanding horizons of gender dimensions in aquaculture and fisheries, while highlighting the need for expanding gender inclusiveness and equity.

As a standalone event, GAF7 participants will have more time to interact, meet new people with similar interests, and will be able to focus more on GAF7, without having to go off to present at or chair other sessions. Participants will find the AIT environment is very conducive to meeting, interacting and developing future collaborations.

The theme for this Symposium is ‘Gender in Aquaculture and Fisheries: Expanding the Horizons’. A GAF 101 training workshop is also proposed. We are calling for proposals for such a course and the selection will be made on the topic and proposal for conducting the workshop.
GAF THEMES

Special Workshops

- GAF 101 Training Session – Using “Intersectionality” in Research on Gender and Fisheries and Aquaculture - Marilyn Porter, Christine Knott
- Furthering/Deepening Feminist Perspectives in Fisheries - Nalini Nayak, Cornelie Quist
- Photovoice: Researching gender in aquaculture and fisheries through the camera lens - Janine Pierce
- Gender transformative approaches in fisheries and aquaculture: An exploration of strategies and emerging outcomes - Cynthia McDougall
- Mainstreaming gender in fisheries education - Mary Barby Badayos-Jover
- Gender Analysis through Micro and Small Aquaculture Operation Best Aquaculture Practises (M-BAP) - Zumilah Binti Zainalaludin
- Exploring Gender Equity and Equality in the SSF Guidelines Co-organized by WorldFish and Conservation International - Danika Kleiber, Whitney Yadao-Evans, and Cynthia McDougall
- Role of women fishworker organizations towards implementation and monitoring of small scale fisheries guidelines; case of African Women Network of Fish Processors and Traders (AWFISHNET) - Editrudith Lukanga, Kafayat Adetoun Fakoya

Session Themes

- Gender research methods in fisheries & aquaculture
- Gender and the seafood industry
- Gender and climate change with reference to fisheries & aquaculture
- Gender and fisheries & aquaculture Governance
- Gender assessments in fisheries and aquaculture
- Focus on SDGs, and other SDGs, in fisheries and aquaculture
- Gender-disaggregated statistics
- Learning exchanges – experiences and lessons

Field Visit, Posters and Multimedia

- Putting gender integration ideas into action - field visit near Bangkok, posters and multimedia (photos, videos)
VENUE

AIT Campus, Bangkok Thailand

The Asian Institute of Technology (http://www.ait.ac.th/) is an international postgraduate academic and research organisation based in Thailand with a truly multinational and multicultural learning environment, supported by a vast network of over 20,000 highly successful alumni worldwide. AIT’s Gender and Development Studies (GDS), and Aquaculture and Aquatic Resources Management (AARM) programs are the local hosts for this event.

ADDRESS

Asian Institute of Technology, P.O. Box 4, Klong Luang, Pathumthani 12120, Thailand.

ABSTRACTS & REGISTRATION

Abstracts submission was closed on 15 May 2018

Registration Fees

The GAF7 organisers have made every effort keep participants costs reasonable and fair.

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Payments

Fees are payable by wire transfer or by credit card to AIT Bank account, and include Conference kit and lunches each day for the main GAF 2018 Conference. No accommodation included. Separate reservation and fees for field trip are applicable.

To register, go to http://www.gafconference.org/register.htm

Accommodation

AITCC Hotel has about 60 rooms (single and double accommodation) reserved for GAF7. Additional accommodation is available in the hotels and dormitories within 5 – 6 km of the venue. Standard 3-star hotel rooms cost 45 – 70 US$ per night. Cheaper hotel rooms of around 30 US$ and more expensive rooms of ~125 US$ are also available in the vicinity of AIT. You can find here details of the hotels and the tariff. GAF7 Hotels

Rooms in the venue hotel (AITCC Hotel) will be booked on a first-come-first-served basis. For booking rooms in AITCC, please mention your requirement in the registration form page or email to info@gafconference.org

Other hotels, see http://www.gafconference.org/accommodation.htm
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