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WHAT IS RAIS?

RAIS, is a regional aquaculture information system designed to assist both the private and public sectors to have a quick and easy access to the Gulf regional aquaculture information for the sustainable development of the sector.

It supports and serves as a tool for the regional aquaculture research and development networks which operate in the Gulf region under the umbrella of the Regional Commission for Fisheries (RECOFI).

The RAIS groups all member countries of RECOFI (Bahrain, Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates) which have decided to establish a web-based information system to facilitate the exchange of aquaculture information in the area.

WHY WAS RAIS DESIGNED?

To respond to the growing importance of aquaculture in the region; to the lack of structured and easy accessible information on aquaculture; to promote cooperation between RECOFI member countries and to develop a modern monitoring system facilitating decision making.



RAIS ONLINE

The new aquaculture information system is now up-and-running and it is available at the following address:

www.raisaquaculture.net

THE STRUCTURE

The Web site is organized in nine databases (Annual aquaculture statistics; Aquaculture experts; Production centres; Suppliers; Research institutions; Research and development programmes; Photo library; Virtual library; Selected links) to store and retrieve national and regional aquaculture information.

The RAIS is organized and maintained through a regional and national mechanism: (1) a Regional Centre located in Kuwait City and linked to the FAO in Rome and to the RECOFI Secretariat in Cairo, Egypt; and (2) a National Centre in each RECOFI member country under the supervision of an officially nominated RAIS National Coordinator. All authorized users have the right to directly post new information through user friendly online submission forms.

HOW CONTRIBUTE?

The system has been conceived to be as user-friendly as possible and allows rapid data entry from the administrators and authorized users and easy data retrieval. Users who want to

contribute by submitting new items into the system are kindly requested to contact the RAIS Regional Centre or the RAIS National Coordinators. Full addresses are provided in the "Contact us" section accessible from the RAIS entry page.

HOW TO ADVERTISE ON RAIS

RAIS offers space on its home page to facilitate the private sector to advertise in the new aquaculture information system of the Gulf region. Placing your Web site address or company logo with a hyper-link to your site is a common form of advertising on the internet to enhance visibility and to promote your business.

HAVE A QUESTION?

For further details you are invited to contact:

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