Notification of dates and call for papers

Mekong Fisheries MRC Fisheries Programme 10th Technical Symposium on

The MRC Fisheries Programme will hold the 10th Technical Symposium on Mekong Fisheries in Pakse, Champasack province, Lao PDR, on the 11-13 November 2009. Venue to be announced at later date.

The symposium will be arranged around three themes: (i) fisheries ecology, evaluation and mitigation, (ii) fisheries management, and (iii) aquaculture of indigenous Mekong species. The symposium will comprise both oral presentations and poster displays. There will also be a half day workshop (the topic will be advised later) followed by a one day field visit to Siphandone fisheries.

If you wish to attend the symposium and are not a counterpart staff of the MRC Fisheries Programme, you can register for the symposium by contacting Ms Manothone Vorabouth at the email address below. She will also be able to advise you about accommodation. If you are a counterpart staff of the MRC Fisheries Programme, please contact your National Programme Coordinator.

The proceedings of the symposium will be published as part of the *MRC Conference Series.* If you wish to give a presentation or display a poster, you should be prepared to submit written papers to the standard and style of this series according to the timetable outlined below. Information and guidelines for presenters can be downloaded from the MRC website.

Timetable for Papers and Posters

- Mid September Paper titles and names of authors to National Programme Coordinators.
- Ist October National Programme Coordinators to notify FP Programme Coordinator which counterpart will attend the symposium and the title and author(s) of papers and posters. Abstracts submitted to Component Coordinators for editing.
- 15th October Deadline for registration. Component Coordinators to submit abstracts to Symposium Organisers.
- End December Papers submitted to Component Coordinators.

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