THIERRY CHOPIN
‘SEAWEED Connoisseur’ Dr Thierry Chopin is making a special trip to Edinburgh later this month to address delegates at Aquaculture Today 2006. Dr Chopin is Professor of Marine Biology at the University of New Brunswick in Canada. He specialises in integrating for sustainability: the development of fish/seaweed/shellfish integrated multi-trophic aquaculture (IMTA) in the Bay of Fundy, Canada. An economic model, comparing fish monoculture versus fish/seaweed/shellfish IMTA is being developed and early results are promising. Dr Chopin is also working with industrial partners to develop niche markets for kelps and their derived products.

Dr Chopin is Past President of the Aquaculture Association of Canada and of the Phycological Society of America, and is the President Elect of the International Seaweed Association. He is an advisor to the International Foundation for Science, Stockholm, and a member of the Editorial Board of the journal Aquaculture International. Dr Chopin is also Honorary Vice-Consul of France and was recently awarded the distinction of Chevalier in the Order of the Palmes Académiques.

Aquaculture Today 2006 is being held at Edinburgh’s five star Sheraton Hotel & Spa from March 28-30 and is set to be one of the most influential events of its kind held in the UK.

The 2006 conference builds on the achievement of last year’s pioneering event with speakers from the UK, Europe and beyond already lined up to participate.

The conference addresses key issues facing the fish farming sector in a useful and varied programme comprising formal presentations, discussion sessions, networking, exhibits and a special awards dinner. Delegates will hear from leading industry figures on:

- World Markets
- Fish Health
- Innovation
- Species Development

The conference will be officially opened with a keynote speech from Lord Lindsay of Scottish Salmon Producers’ Organisation (SSPO) on March 29.

Fish Farmer

At the Aquaculture Today Gala Dinner, the first Fish Farmer “Fit for the Future” award will be presented for outstanding achievement in the fish-farming sector. In addition, finalists in a new industry-backed awards scheme from the Crown Estate, which recognises innovation and best practice in salmon farming, will be announced.

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