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World-class experts to present at Australasian Aquaculture 2010

Australasian Aquaculture 2010 (AA2010) delegates can expect to hear from world-class plenary speakers who will present on global issues that affect the Australian aquaculture industry.

Senior Research Scientist at CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research, Dr Alistair Hobday will present a highly anticipated session on the subject of climate change.

Dr Hobday's research spans a range of topics including spatial management and migration of large pelagic species, environmental influences on marine species and the impact of climate change on marine resources.

Conference Chair, Roy Palmer said it is important for both sceptics and believers of climate change to hear from experts about the latest information on the issue of climate change.

'This information may help delegates resolve the issue in their own minds and it will help them consider what risk mitigation they may consider if the worst happens,' Mr. Palmer said.

Biologist from the University of Chile, Adolfo Alvial will also be presenting at AA2010.

As Technical Director of Marine Harvest Chile for two years, Mr. Alvial was in charge of conducting research and control measures of ISA and Caligus challenges.

Mr. Alvial will focus on the ISA outbreak in Chile and what can be learned from that in relation to the Australian aquaculture industry.

Mr. Palmer said there are lessons that can be learned from the ISA outbreak in Chile.

'Disease can happen at any time despite all your best efforts and this can put your business in jeopardy. Adolfo Alvial has been involved all through this crisis so what a great chance to hear what occurred and maybe some solutions if the problem happens to you,' Mr. Palmer said.

AA2010 delegates will be exposed to a range of relevant sessions including 'Efficient Aquaculture Production', 'Branding Strategies', 'Reducing Red Tape in Aquaculture Regulation', and a selection of other interesting topics pertinent to the conference theme 'keeping pace with change.'

AA2010 will be held at the Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart from 23-26 May 2010.

For those who wish to present at AA2010, please note **abstract submissions close November 30.**

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