

IEO farming plants to share facilities with European researchers

Vigo and Mazarron farming plants of the Spanish Institute of Oceanography (IEO) will share their facilities with researchers from all over Europe, as part of a European project that aims to make it available to scientists the best aquaculture research facilities.

AQUAEXCEL2020 (AQUAculture infrastructures for EXCELlence in European fish research towards 2020) is a European project that brings together the main aquaculture research facilities in Europe with the aim of making the most of them and supporting the sustainable growth of the sector.

One of the key aspects of the project is to make it available to scientists the outstanding facilities of the continent and, to this end, their use is offered to researchers from other countries by means of periodical calls.

Currently and until next April 17, the fifth call for access to the AQUAEXCEL2020 facilities is now open, including the farming plants in Vigo, Mazarron and ICRA, belonging to the IEO. These facilities are relevant in research on farming species such as bluefin tuna, hake and octopus, among other species.

The mechanics of the process is to have access to the online platform of the project, select the appropriate installation to the objective of the experiment that is intended to develop and complete the required information. A panel of experts will evaluate the interest of the proposal and if it is approved, the selected facility will be responsible for developing the experiments.

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