

SEAFDEC AQD Launches on-line Institutional Repository

The Aquaculture Department of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC/AQD) launched an on-line repository of the in-house and external publications of its researchers during its 38th anniversary celebration on July 7 to provide the public with free and easy access to scholarly and reliable aquaculture research information.

The SEAFDEC/AQD Institutional Repository (SAIR) (<http://repository.seafdec.org.ph>) uses DSpace, an open-source software developed by the library of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It is Open Archives Initiative (OAI)-compliant.

Initially, SAIR contains preprints, full-texts or abstracts of journal articles, books and conference proceedings written by SEAFDEC/AQD researchers and published in international and peer-reviewed publications, and in-house publications such as fish farmer-friendly books, handbooks, policy guidebooks and extension manuals. It also contains institutional and annual reports, conference proceedings and newsletters (e.g. Aqua Farm News and SEAFDEC Asian Aquaculture) which can be retrieved and downloaded. Future content will include images, presentations, audios and videos.