Deepening Industry and Education Linkages

Students from processing, resource management and aquaculture study programmes are carrying out a "Pilot Internship" at the seafood companies and fish/sea-weed farms over a three month period from February to May 2018. The Pilot Internship was jointly launched on 12 February by SECO as a donor, STP and UNIDO. The internship programme is expected to become a means to encourage students to practically apply the knowledge that they have gained through their studies; in particular the principles of Sustainability, Innovation and Productivity (SIP), enhance their understanding about the dynamics of workplace and professional career in the industry and eventually increase the chances of employment within the industry. Moreover, the internship scheme is envisaged to become an instrument to introduce the principles of

To support selected value chains productivity and sustainability, SMART-Fish programme is currently implementing a Pilot Internship Programme. Strengthening the linkages between industry and educational institutions is essential in the context of industrial development. Within this context, UNIDO SMART-Fish Programme has sponsored 18 selected students from the Jakarta Fisheries University (STP).
SIP and to encourage the adoption of more sustainable, productive, innovative and resource-efficient (INSPIRED) practices by the industry. To this end, the hosting firms and farms will benefit from the recently improved curriculum of STP, the INSPIRED approach, introduced by the SMART-fish programme. Last but not least, the internship programme is expected to provide the missing link for transferring knowledge from industry to the educational institutions such as STP in order to continuously improve their services and adjust their curriculum to the needs of the industry.

Below: Shared photo after the official release of The Internship Program SMART-Fish - STP Jakarta.
Right-top: Martin Stcltiele from SECO gave a speech.
SECO: Real Results Achieved in Pangasius Tulungagung

Officials from SECO, Ms. Katrin Ochsenbein (SECO, Bern) and Ms. Dewi Suyenti Tjo (SECO, Jakarta) visited SMART-Fish pangasius partners in Tulungagung East Java in Early January, 2018 prior to the Steering Committee (SC) meeting. As the donor of the programme, SECO wanted to check the progress of the programme intervention in pangasius value chain particularly in Tulungagung. After discussion and having visited the pangasius farmers groups, a processor, extension workers and local fisheries officials, Ms. Katrin Ochsenbein noted the were positive feelings in the field regarding the programme where there has been increase in production and a reduction in the cost of pangasius farming. She highlighted that project has thus indeed achieved some real results. She emphasized the importance of having achieved positive results along the value chains and the project extension shall be utilized to anchor the results in a sustainable manner.

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In Tulungagung Production of LCF has been fully implemented by Alfattah group to produce feed for their own use. Alfattah produces around 120 kg feed per day for his pangasius farms. The price of the LCF feed is around IDR 6,000/kg which is much cheaper compared with commercial feed (IDR 9,000/kg). The SMART-Fish programme also helps them to improve fish farming methods to improve the quality of fish meat.
SC Members Supports SMART-Fish Part 2

The 8th SC meeting was successfully organized on January 12, 2018 from 08.30-11.30 at the MMAF office, Jakarta. Officially opened by Mr. Nilanto Perbowo, the Director General of Product Competitiveness (PC), the meeting attended by 50 participants. Among the important decisions taken by the SC members are:

Pilot external traceability for seaweed value chain is approved as all SC members viewed that external traceability for seaweed (SeaweedTrace) has good arguments, hence the pilot is to establish a real business case. SC members also welcome the SMART-Fish part 2 to be implemented by mid-2019. MMAF emphasized the new programme to be in line with the new government’s medium development plan (2019-2024). Discussion on the new development will start in June 2018.