AQUAEXPO 2027
CALL FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS

AQUAEXPO is the event organized by the National Chamber of Aquaculture of Ecuador that brings together national and international stakeholders from the sector. It has become the largest aquaculture event in the country and one of the most important in the region. In 2027, it will be held in three editions, in the areas where the country's aquaculture production is concentrated: Santa Elena (Salinas), El Oro (Machala), and Guayas (Guayaquil).

The event consists of a trade show and a scientific-technical congress. The trade show brings together hundreds of companies that present products, services, and innovations for the aquaculture industry, and at their booths, executives and technical staff showcase the highlights of their offerings to attendees.

The congress brings together researchers, technical specialists, and professionals from Ecuador and around the world, who present the latest advances and their application in production. Its sessions address topics such as nutrition and feeding strategies, genetic improvement, disease prevention and management, water and soil quality, production systems, efficiency and technological innovation, sustainability, processing, and market access, among others.

Therefore, we invite researchers, technical specialists, and professionals from the sector to submit their work for the technical sessions of AQUAEXPO 2027.

The events will take place according to the following schedule:

EVENT	DATE	VENUE
Santa Elena	March 3–4	Salinas Golf & Tenis Club
El Oro	July 13–15	Hotel Oro Verde Machala
International	October 18–21	Guayaquil Convention Center

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING PAPERS

Those interested in presenting their work in the technical sessions of AQUAEXPO must submit it to the Technical Committee for a selection process. Papers must address topics relevant to the aquaculture industry and provide applicable knowledge or innovative solutions to the sector's current challenges. To this end, the following considerations must be taken into account:

- Registration for the congress is not required to submit a paper.
- The submission must include the details of the main author and co-authors: full name, position, institution, country, and email address. Although the paper may have several authors, the presentation will be given by a single person, so the presenter must be indicated.

- The paper must align with one of the congress's thematic areas:

  1. Nutrition and feeding strategies
  2. Genetic improvement
  3. Disease prevention and management
  4. Water and soil quality
  5. Production systems
  6. Efficiency and technological innovation
  7. Sustainability and certifications
  8. Energy and production efficiency
  9. Processing and quality control
  10. Market trends and access requirements
  11. Other (please specify)

- The congress runs in parallel with, but independently from, the trade show. Booking a booth is not a requirement, nor does it guarantee that the participating company will have a slot to give a technical presentation.

- It is recommended that submissions not be identical to those previously presented at similar events in Ecuador or abroad. If a topic has already been presented, it is suggested to incorporate updated data and tailor the presentation to the audience's interests.

SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Submissions must be sent to ypiedrahita@cna-ecuador.com and maguayo@cna-ecuador.com, indicating the thematic area and the edition in which you wish to participate. The following documents must be attached to the email:

1. **Abstract** of the presentation in Word, written in Spanish or English, between 500 and 1,200 words, including, where applicable:

   - Complete author information (underlining the name of the presenter)
   - Institution and location where the work was carried out
   - Objectives
   - Methodology
   - Observations
   - Results (tables and/or images may be included in the presentation)
   - Conclusions

2. **Presenter's CV,** including academic background, current position, experience in the field, publications, and other relevant information.

Please note that the AQUAEXPO technical congress does not promote specific brands or commercial products; instead, it highlights the benefits of the active ingredient, instrument, machinery, application, or service in a generic manner. Therefore, **brands, sales prices, or information that may lead the audience to commercial decisions** will

not be accepted in the abstract or the presentation; only generic names or active ingredients of products, or the type of service being presented.

Submissions are accepted year-round, according to the following deadlines for each edition:

EVENT	SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Santa Elena	January 8
El Oro	May 7
International	July 26

ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION OF PAPERS

- The Technical Committee reserves the right to accept or reject submissions, and its decision is not subject to appeal.
- Once submissions have been evaluated, authors will be informed by email whether their paper has been accepted or rejected and in which edition it may be included.
- Please note that each speaker is responsible for arranging their own travel, including a visa to enter Ecuador, when applicable, as well as hotel reservations, airline tickets, and other requirements. Expenses related to participation in AQUAEXPO are the responsibility of the speaker.

ORAL PRESENTATION FORMAT

If your submission for an oral presentation at the congress is accepted, you will receive a confirmation email with the speaker guidelines, along with detailed information on the date and time assigned for your presentation. You will also be provided with details on the duration of your talk, the slide template, and other relevant aspects of your participation in the event.