

# Transforming Aquaculture & Fisheries for Gender Justice

BANGKOK  
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# GAF 9

1-3 October  
2025



GAF9 is being convened by the Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries Section of the Asian Fisheries Society and the Asian Institute of Technology, and is inviting sponsors and partners to join us in organizing this exciting event.



## 9th Global Conference on Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries

Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries Section, and Asian Institute of Technology

1-3 October 2025

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Thailand

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## Transforming Aquaculture & Fisheries for Gender Justice

### Call for papers

The 9<sup>th</sup> Global Conference on Gender in Aquaculture and Fisheries (GAF9) organized by the Gender in Aquaculture & Fisheries Section of the Asian Fisheries Society on the theme "Transforming aquaculture and fisheries for gender justice" will be held from 1-3 October 2025 at the Asian Institute of Technology, Pathum Thani, Thailand. GAF9 invites researchers, academics, students and practitioners to share the latest information and knowledge on gender in aquaculture and fisheries while also learning about new opportunities and innovative approaches to achieve gender equality in the aquaculture and fisheries sectors. Over the past 25 years, GAFS has been shining a light on gender issues in the general discourse on fisheries and aquaculture, however challenges, both old and new, continue.

### GAF9 sub-themes include:

1. Women/gender in the blue economy
2. Gender and climate change: Navigating the impacts on fisheries and aquaculture
3. Nature-based solutions in aquaculture and fisheries
4. Innovative frameworks/methodology for gender research in fisheries and aquaculture
5. Counting and discounting: men's and women's work in fisheries and aquaculture



## Call for proposals for special sessions

We are excited to announce the Call for Special Sessions. As the pioneering gathering in the field of gender and aquaculture and fisheries, we invite experts and researchers to propose engaging and insightful topics for in-depth discussion.

We encourage the use of different formats for special sessions including panel discussions, debates, roundtables, workshops as well as other non-conventional formats. Each special session will be 90 minutes in length and all special sessions will be scheduled within the conference.

All panelists and moderators are required to register for the conference.

### Submission Guidelines

Special session proposals should include the following:

- Title of the Special Session
- Format
- Purpose
- Chair/moderator
- Participants: Name, title and abstract for each presentation
- Affiliations, contact information and short biographies of each participant (150 words max. per person)
- Any specific physical or technical requirements for the local hosts

Please submit Special Sessions/ Panels/ Roundtables/ Workshops details to :  
[gafsconference@gmail.com](mailto:gafsconference@gmail.com)

Registration Category	Early Bird	Regular	On site
International GAFS Members	250 USD	275 USD	300 USD
International Non-Members	350 USD	375 USD	400 USD
International Student	200 USD	250 USD	275 USD
International Spouse/Family Member	100 USD	150 USD	175 USD
Field Trip for International Participant	75 USD	100 USD	100 USD
Thai GAFS Members	7000 THB	8000 THB	9000 THB
Thai Non-Members	8000 THB	9000 THB	10000 THB
Thai Student	6500 THB	7500 THB	8500 THB
Thai Spouse/Family Member	3000 THB	4000 THB	5000 THB
Field Trip for Thai Participant	2000 THB	2500 THB	2500 THB

### DATES TO REMEMBER

For paper submissions

**March 31, 2025**

Last date for abstracts

**June 30, 2025**

Last date for early bird registration

**September 30, 2025**

Last date for registration at regular rates

For special session proposals

**March 31, 2025**

Last date for submission of Special Session proposal

**April 30, 2025**

Notification of acceptance for Special Session proposal submissions



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## The history of GAF conferences

The journey of the GAF network over 20 years has been slow but steady. Our previous conferences partnered with the Asian Fisheries Society's Triennial Forum. Today, the GAF network is a formal Section of the Society and is expanding its horizons, starting with its first independent event.

Through the long journey bringing gender to the fore and including it in the general discourse in fisheries, new insights have been gained. However, challenges continue – some as old as the debate itself and some relatively new and emerging in the face of sector dynamics. Real change can come only with new commitment to equality principles, strong policies translated into sensible and implementable programmes and long term commitment. While a lot of lip service is given to the issues, very little translates into funding for work on the ground. Gender is generally a tail-end component in projects. However, several examples of gender inclusion right from inception are beginning to emerge, and this is a welcome change. Read more on [Genderaquafish.org](http://Genderaquafish.org).

**GAF** conferences endeavour to explore the expanding horizons of gender dimensions in aquaculture and fisheries, while highlighting the need for expanding gender inclusiveness and equity. Participants will find the AIT environment is very conducive to meeting, interacting and developing future collaborations.

### Who should attend?

All interested in gender in aquaculture & fisheries

- Scientists
- Academics
- Technicians
- Fisheries officers
- Policy makers
- Managers
- Fishers
- Aquaculturists
- Non-governmental organisation experts
- Grassroots representatives
- Students
- Development workers
- Fish industry specialists
- Fish certification agents

