INTEGRATED MULTITROPHIC AQUACULTURE with focus on low trophic level production

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LOW FOOD CHAIN AQUACULTURE

- ALGAE and FILTER FEEDERS feed from natural resources: extractive species
- They provide high quality human nutrition:
- = proteins/ unsaturated fatty acids/ minerals and vitamins
- They can be produced in high quantities
- They have positive impacts on ecosystem health



ACTION POINT 1:

To feed the world in a sustainable way more effort is needed to enhance LT aquaculture (refer to Dag Aksnes)

INTEGRATED MULTITROPHIC AQUACULTURE **IMTA**



IMTA / circular economy, recycling

- IMTA concept : use the waste of one product as a resource for another product: for example fish farming
 - = nutrients: for macro and micro algae
 - = suspended particles and micro algae: for filter feeders
 - = biodeposits: for deposit feeders
- Different modes of IMTA
 - = open vs close: net-pen or ras
 - = coupled vs decoupled: depends on scale
 - = main challenge: improve efficiency

ACTION POINT 2 :

use IMTA as a tool to enhance LT aquaculture

LT aquaculture, regional: bivalves





ASIA: fast growth and main producer

EUROPE: decrease in production, increase of imports

ACTION POINT 3:

Effort is needed to reinforce LT aquaculture in Europe

Thank you &

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