

Growing Together to New Horizons

Aquaculture Growth to 2030

A Strategic Plan
for farming
Scotland's seas



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5 Strategic priorities and recommendations

Lead Recommendations !!				
Recommendation	Strategic Priority	Responsibility	Timeframe	No. and Page
Formation of an Industry Leadership Group (ILG)	Industry leadership and ambition	Lead responsibility: Vision 2030 Working Group Co-responsibility: SG, SFD, HIE, SSPO, ASSG, SAIC	By July 2017	Rec 1 (p 08)
The role of Marine Scotland	Enabling and proportionate regulation	SG	By July 2017	Rec 5 (p 09)
Development of Innovation Sites in Scotland	Accelerating innovation	Lead responsibility: ILG when formed Co-responsibility: SAIC, Marine Scotland Science, SEPA, Industry	Ongoing	Rec 11 (p 11)
Mapping of future skills requirements	Skills development	ILG when formed, SDS, HIE, SAIC	Commencing immediately and ongoing	Rec 16 (p 13)
Finance for Scottish aquaculture	Finance	SE, SIB, HIE	By end 2017	Rec 17 (p 14)
Essential investment in infrastructure	Infrastructure	HITRANS, with input from ILG when formed	By November 2017 and then ongoing	Rec 19 (p 15)
High Priority Recommendations !				
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Aquaculture to become a core growth sector	Industry leadership and ambition	Lead responsibility: HIE Co-responsibility: SE	By July 2017	Rec 2 (p 08)
Short-term improvements to consenting processes	Enabling and proportionate regulation	Marine Scotland and as outlined in Independent Review of Scottish Aquaculture Consenting and overseen by ILG when formed	By May 2017	Rec 6 (p 10)
Clarity in the Scottish Planning Policy and National Planning Framework	Enabling and proportionate regulation	Chief Planner	By end 2018	Rec 7 (p 10)
Medium and longer-term improvements to planning	Enabling and proportionate regulation	Marine Scotland, overseen by ILG when formed	By 2020	Rec 8 (p 10)

SEPA modelling and collaboration: Implementation of DEPOMOD and DZR Development of new models	Enabling and proportionate regulation	SEPA Industry, led by SSPO, supported by SAIC	By May 2017 Ongoing	Rec 10 (p 11)
Alignment and delivery of RD&I in Scotland to support growth	Accelerating innovation	Lead responsibility: SAIC in conjunction with ILG when formed Co-responsibility: Marine Scotland Science, SEPA, Scottish Funding Council, UK Research Councils	Ongoing	Rec 12 (p 12)
Approaches to sea lice	Accelerating innovation	Lead responsibility: Industry Co-responsibility: SSPO, SAIC, SEPA, Marine Scotland Science	Ongoing	Rec 13 (p 12)
Support for the indigenous supply chain, including processing	Accelerating innovation	Lead responsibility: HIE Co-responsibility: SAIC	By end 2017	Rec 14 (p 13)

Lower Priority Recommendations

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Marketing of Scottish farmed seafood	Industry leadership and ambition	SG, Seafood Scotland, SSPO, SFD	By November 2017	Rec 3 (p 08)
Crown Estate fees and benefits to local communities	Industry leadership and ambition	Crown Estate	By November 2017	Rec 4 (p 09)
Development of a Social and Economic Benefits Report	Enabling and proportionate regulation	Scottish Aquaculture Industry	With immediate effect for new applications	Rec 9 (p 10)
Manufacturing excellence and continuous improvement	Accelerating innovation	ILG when formed	Ongoing	Rec 15 (p 13)
Export finance	Finance	SG	By November 2017	Rec 18 (p 14)
Digital connectivity	Infrastructure	SG	By 2021	Rec 20 (p 15)

Abbreviations

ASSG Association of Scottish Shellfish Growers
HIE Highlands and Islands Enterprise
ILG Industry Leadership Group
SAIC Scottish Aquaculture Innovation Centre
SDS Skills Development Scotland

SE Scottish Enterprise
SEPA Scottish Environment Protection Agency
SFD Scottish Food & Drink
SG Scottish Government
SIB Scottish Investment Bank
SSPO Scottish Salmon Producers Organisation

Align and Collaborate