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Of the 4 Thematic Workshops for multi-stakeholder consultation 2 events have been held – of which 1 in the reporting period – and another 2 are scheduled:

- [The Future of Freshwater Aquaculture](#) – Warsaw (Poland) - 15&16 June 2011
- **The Future of Coldwater Marine Aquaculture – Oslo (Norway) - 21&22 Sept. 2011**
- **Mediterranean & southern Aquaculture – Madrid (Spain) - 16&17 November 2011**
- **Shellfish Aquaculture [Atlantic] – Bordeaux (France) - February 2012**

Each stakeholder consultation workshop will provide 3 important deliverables;

1. A specific report, detailing the conclusions relative to issues affecting the Vision document and Strategic Research Agenda.
2. A recommended plan of action for the Thematic Area and the Technology Platform itself.
3. An evaluation of the funding mechanisms envisaged for RTD achievement.

The consultation workshops will allow consultation not only on thematic aspects but also on specific regional issues (e.g freshwater aquaculture, cold water species...). These will follow a common format, combining presentation and discussion sessions – focusing on effective participation and applying voting procedures on topics presented as a way to rank needs and items for knowledge transfer. Professional workshop animators will be used to facilitate these actions.

Each workshop will thus provide consensus on the vision and produce recommendations for research initiatives for the topics presented. The conclusions of these events will lead to adjustments of the synoptic documents of each Thematic Area and agreement on RTD priorities, contributing effectively to the purpose of the Support Action.

Importantly, these workshops shall also contribute to the development of a proposed Plan of Action that can be integrated into the project's deliverables and provide a stimulus for actions at regional, National and European levels. This Plan of Action will include analysis of funding mechanisms and identify areas and/or topics of RTD that would be achieved or funded by the industry.

During each workshop efforts have been made to have representation from Chairs, facilitators and WG members of all thematic areas. This allows for the WG participants to provide any feedback or clarity on questions raised by participants. It also allows for WG participants to collect recommendations on any proposed changes to the draft documents and feed back the information to the rest of the WG.

During each workshop the outputs of the events have been carefully recorded and the relevancy captured by TA. Once all workshops are completed, the workshop results will be provided to the Chair and facilitator of each TA. They will then arrange a meeting of the WG whereby they will

review the recommendations and if assessed to be valid by the WG, they will make adjustments to their draft documents and finalise documents (D41).

A final stakeholder workshop will be organised in Brussels – and will cover the results, conclusions and recommendations of the work of the project, providing an integrated Vision Document, Strategic Research agenda and an associate Action Plan for implementation.