
AGREEMENT ON THE NETWORK OF AQUACULTURE CENTRES IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

The Agreement on the Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia and the Pacific (NACA) was adopted on 8 January 1988 by a Conference of Plenipotentiaries which met in Bangkok, Thailand, from 5 to 8 January of the said year. In accordance with paragraph 1, Article 16, the Agreement was open for signature in Bangkok on 8 January 1988 and thereafter at FAO Headquarters in Rome until 7 January 1989.

In accordance with paragraph 4, Article 16, the Agreement entered into force on **11 January 1990**, the date of receipt of the fifth instrument of ratification or accession.

The Agreement was registered with the Secretariat of the United Nations on 6 March 1990 under No. 27140.

At its Fourth Session, held in Hong Kong from 8 to 11 December 1992, the Governing Council of the Organization for the Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia and the Pacific adopted an amendment to paragraph 1 of Article 15 of the Agreement. Pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article 17 of the Agreement, the amendment took effect with respect to all Contracting Parties on the thirtieth day after its adoption by the Governing Council, i.e. on 10 January 1993.

Participants

The following are the signatories and the participants that deposited their instruments on the corresponding date indicated:

Participant	Definitive Signature	Ratification	Accession
Australia			1 Jul 1998
Bangladesh			15 May 1990
Cambodia			23 Apr 1992
China	8 Jan 1988		11 Jan 1990
China, Hong Kong SAR	14 Dec 1988	14 Dec 1988	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea			23 May 1990
India			4 Jun 1992
Indonesia			25 Jan 2006
Iran, Islamic Republic of			25 Apr 2004
Malaysia			4 Jul 1991
Maldives			12 May 2014
Myanmar			22 May 1990
Nepal	8 Jan 1988	4 Jan 1990	
Pakistan			28 Jan 1991

Philippines			29 Nov 2000
Sri Lanka	5 Sep 1988	5 Jan 1989	
Thailand			28 Mar 1994
Viet Nam			2 Feb 1989