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**Invitation to expert workshop on mud crab aquaculture in Singapore  
from 27 to 30 November 2023**

Dear Prof Ma,

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in collaboration with the Aquaculture Innovation Centre (AIC) in Singapore, is organizing an expert workshop on mud crab (*Scylla* spp.) aquaculture in Singapore from 27 to 30 November 2023. The workshop will discuss the status of the industry and focus on technical advances. The main objective is to provide technical and policy recommendations to ensure the sustainable advancement of this aquaculture subsector.

Recommended by the Organizing Working Group, and considering your valuable expertise in the mud crab aquaculture, I would like to invite you to attend this expert workshop and present a paper on the *Status of Mud Crab Aquaculture in China and Domestication and the future of genetically improved mud crabs*.

To facilitate your participation to the workshop, FAO will provide financial assistance through AIC for the duration of the workshop, including a return ticket in economy class (arriving in Singapore on Sunday, 26 November 2023 and departing from Singapore on Thursday, 30 November 2023 or the day after); and meals and accommodation at the Village Hotel Bugis.

The workshop will be held in English at the Temasek Polytechnic in Singapore. Please find the Draft Workshop Agenda and Prospectus attached as annexes.

Your kind and timely confirmation would be most appreciated. Please send the completed registration form, a high-resolution passport-sized photo and a short curriculum vitae (max 250 words) to Mr Alessandro Lovatelli ([Alessandro.Lovatelli@fao.org](mailto:Alessandro.Lovatelli@fao.org)) and copy to Ms Diana Chan ([Diana.CHAN@TP.EDU.SG](mailto:Diana.CHAN@TP.EDU.SG)).

We greatly look forward to your participation in this important event.

Yours sincerely,

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