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# Stirling Council OKs plans for National Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Hub

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## The facility will combine research with business incubation

The University of Stirling's plans for a world-class aquaculture research and innovation facility are a step closer to reality now that the Stirling Council approved the plans.

The proposed £17 million (U.S. \$22.7 million) National Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Hub (NATIH), which builds on the University's internationally renowned Institute of Aquaculture, will combine aquatic facilities, a tropical aquarium, state-of-the-art laboratories and space for business incubation and acceleration.

"This is an important milestone in the development of the National Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Hub. There is an enormous role for aquaculture to play in ensuring that the world has a secure and sustainable supply of food," said Simon MacKenzie, professor and head of the Institute for Aquaculture. "The Hub will develop and reinforce a strong working relationship between the University's researchers and the global aquaculture industry, ensuring that the ideas, interventions and solutions developed will have a meaningful impact where they are needed most, and deliver jobs, growth and prosperity."



An artist's rendering of the newly approved National Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Hub (NATIH), which builds on the University of Stirling's internationally renowned Institute of Aquaculture.

NATIH is funded through the UK Government, as part of the Stirling and Clackmannanshire City Region Deal, a £90.2 million (U.S. \$120.7 million) investment from the UK Government and Scottish Government in innovation and infrastructure that will drive inclusive economic growth throughout the region.



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NATIH will position University of Stirling expertise at the forefront of global aquaculture expansion, delivering and increasing the economic, social and environmental benefits for the industry, and informing modern commercial aquaculture markets.

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