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Sea of research washes up at overview

The Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) is presenting a day-long overview of aquaculture, fisheries, and biodiversity research projects next week (Monday 2 May 2011).

A wide variety of topics will be covered on the day, including:

- Breakthrough in Southern Bluefin Tuna culture
- Predicting and describing marine biodiversity in Tasmania
- Animal ethics, Australian aquaculture, and seafood safety
- Seafloor predictions from multi-beam imaging
- Climate change and commercial/recreational fisheries
- Biosecurity at processors and hatcheries

Professor Mike Coffin, Executive Director of IMAS, said the research overview will showcase important research undertaken by IMAS staff and students.

“The research topics are particularly relevant to Tasmania, including biodiversity in our marine environment, aquaculture, and fisheries,” Prof Coffin said.

“We look forward to sharing our insights with colleagues, stakeholders, and the general public.”

IMAS has been established by UTAS to build a critical concentration around its internationally recognised expertise in marine and Antarctic research. It brings together 150 staff and 100 graduate students to give a focus that is intended to provide state, national, and international leadership in research of the Southern Ocean and its margins.

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