

**A WELCOME WORD FROM NIKOLAY VIKTOROVICH GOSPODAREV,  
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We hope the journal “Aquatic Bioresources & Environment” will encourage the spread of scientific knowledge, innovations, and fishery technologies, as well as sustainable promotion of the world's scientific heritage.

May I wish a long and fruitful way to all the readers and those in charge of edition of the new scientific peer-reviewed journal, which is initiated in the year of a very remarkable milestone date — the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Azov Sea Research Fisheries Institute!

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**Dear readers and authors, reviewers,  
members of Editorial Board and Editorial  
Council!**

I am happy to congratulate you on the first issue of the scientific peer-reviewed journal “Aquatic Bioresources & Environment”, initiated under the auspices of the Federal State Budgetary Scientific Institution “Azov Sea Research Fisheries Institute” (FSBSI “AzNIIRKH”).

FSBSI “AzNIIRKH” is a basin institution of the Federal Agency for Fishery, carrying out multi-scale research in the Azov and Black Seas, as well as in the adjacent continental water bodies.

The research areas of the Institute include all the aspects of fisheries: studies on regularities of the biological resources stock dynamics, environmental monitoring of water bodies, aquaculture and mariculture technology, aquatic biological resources processing and design of fishing gear. All the research trends are investigated internationally, because both the Azov and Black Seas are water territories of interest for a number of states.

We are eager to combine the best practices and knowledge in the sphere of fisheries in order to solve various academic and applicable issues.