

Fish 2.0: Kepley BioSystems Attends Seafood Business Regional Track in Wilmington, NC

Kepley BioSystems attends the Fish 2.0 South Atlantic and Gulf Coast Shellfish Regional Track seminar in Wilmington, North Carolina.

GREENSBORO, NC, USA, March 16, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Fish 2.0 is the Marine Industry's most notable seafood enterprise startup competition and connects emerging enterprises and investors. In recent years, Fish 2.0 has grown into a vital organization with noteworthy global reach and impact. Spearheaded by Ms. Monica Jain of Manta Consulting Inc., Fish 2.0 is a recognized business leader in sustainable seafood industrial philosophy and the fostering of novel seafood enterprises towards reliable, worthy investor attention and money raising opportunity. Fish 2.0 has helped companies raise over \$30 million since the initial competition in 2013.



Left: Dr. Debrah Mosca, CEO, Marine Bio-Technology Center of Innovation Center left: Dr. Anthony Dellinger, President, Kepley BioSystems Inc Center right: Monica Jain, Manta Consulting Inc/Fish 2.0 Right: Dr. Jose V. "Zito" Sartarelli, Chancellor, UNCW

Fish 2.0 has partnered with Marine Bio-Technology Center of Innovation (MBCOI), Dr. Deborah Mosca and University of North Carolina Wilmington, Chancellor Dr. Jose V. "Zito" Sartarelli, for this three-day seminar. As renowned experts, Jain, Mosca, and Sartarelli are leaders moving the American marine industry forward towards sustainable seafood and nutritionally high protein global food safety.

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Kepley BioSystem (KBI) is one of the 20 companies selected from 11 states and Washington DC to participate in the Fish 2.0 South Atlantic and Gulf Coast Shellfish Track. KBI is a novel NC aquaculture enterprise currently funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) that is transitioning from grant recipient to product sales and equity funding. KBI emerged from the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering and developed synthetic molecularly sized marine fish and crustacean attractants to eliminate requirements to use the destructive wild bait fish capture industry. Attending the seminar, Dr. Anthony Dillinger, President and Chief Scientist, said during a session, "...that Fish 2.0 coupled with MBCOI and UNCW is a Clarion call to Industrial North Carolina and investors to meet the massive challenge of this century which is sustainable seafood and global

food safety.”

About Fish 2.0

Fish 2.0 connects seafood businesses and investors to grow the sustainable seafood sector. Working through their unique global network, competition platform, and events, Fish 2.0 participants collaborate to drive innovation, business growth, and positive impact. Entrepreneurs meet potential investors, partners, and advisors that

help them accelerate impact and growth. Investors and experts get early access to investment opportunities and learn about emerging technologies and trends. And industry leaders gain direct access to sustainable seafood suppliers and partners. More information about Fish 2.0 can be found at: www.fish20.org

About the Marine Bio-Technology Center of Innovation

As a powerhouse in both marine science and biotechnology research, North Carolina (NC) is poised to become a global hub for marine biotechnology in the 21st century. To facilitate that process, the Marine Bio-Technology Center of Innovation (MBCOI) was established in 2012 as an independent, non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation through an inception grant from the North Carolina Biotechnology Center (NCBiotech). MBCOI's core mission is the translation of innovative marine-related discoveries into products and services to benefit North Carolina's economy. By combining a regional focus with a global perspective, we serve as the NEXUS for information, collaboration, and commercialization of marine biotechnologies among our stakeholders, both domestically and internationally. Learn more at: www.mbcoid.net.

About UNCW

The University of North Carolina Wilmington, the state's coastal university, is dedicated to learning through the integration of teaching and mentoring with research and service. Guided by our Strategic Plan, the university is committed to nurturing a campus culture that reflects its values of diversity and globalization, ethics and integrity, and excellence and innovation. A public institution with more than 15,000 students, UNCW offers programs at the baccalaureate, master's and doctoral levels, including in marine biology. For more information, visit: www.uncw.edu.

About Kepley BioSystems

Kepley BioSystems originated at the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering (JSNN), North Carolina A&T State University and The University of North Carolina at Greensboro; the company is now located at the Gateway University Research Park proximal to JSNN. Kepley BioSystems is an academically-driven company led by Professor Christopher Kepley and Dr. Anthony Dellinger, a recent graduate, working in collaboration with lead inventor Terry E. Brady, located on the Caribbean island of Anguilla, British West Indies. For more information, visit:

<http://www.kepleybiosystems.com/>

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