

Management Team Meeting Minutes

Monday, 5 July 2021 Zoom online meeting

Attendees:

- Guus Pastoor, MAC Chair
- Christien Absil, MAC Vice-Chair
- Sean O'Donoghue, MAC Vice-Chair & WG1 Chair
- Pierre Commère, WG2 Chair
- Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

Issues discussed:

1. Working Group 1

Marketing Standards

<u>WG1 Chair</u> suggested that one additional week should be provided for members to reply to the Secretariat's questionnaire on the incorporation of socio-economic sustainability aspects in the marketing standards framework.

STECF

<u>WG1 Chair</u> expressed satisfaction with the development of the 2021 Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet, particularly the work dedicated to Brexit.

2. Working Group 2

• Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing (IUU)

<u>WG2 Chair</u> highlighted that the draft advice on flags of convenience would be sent to LDAC to determine about a potential joint adoption.





3. Working Group 3

Plant-based imitation seafood

<u>Secretary General</u> explained that the draft was agreed by the WG and could be put forward to the Executive Committee for consideration and adoption.

4. Performance Review

• Terms of Reference

<u>MAC Chair</u> stated that the draft terms of reference should be circulated via email to the Executive Committee for adoption. These should provide a strict plan for the consultant to prepare the review. <u>WG1 Chair</u> recalled that other Advisory Councils were undergoing performance reviews.

5. Work Programme for Year 6

• Technologies for the transmission of data in the supply chain

<u>WG1 Chair</u> emphasised the importance of the MAC taking the lead in the organisation of the joint webinar on blockchain and other new technologies for the transmission of traceability information and other data in the seafood supply chain. <u>MAC Chair</u> stressed that the webinar should provide added value. <u>MAC Vice-Chair</u> stated that the Advisory Councils were a useful platform for awareness raising, but that it was likely too early for regulation. <u>MAC Chair</u> informed that he would discuss the matter with the NSAC Board.

6. Meeting Dates

General Assembly

<u>Management Team</u> agreed that the next General Assembly meeting should take place on 16 September, afternoon. The Management Team also agreed that the September meetings should take place remotely.

