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To:  
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22 November 2019

**Subject: Final Report Activities MAC and Request for payment Ref. Agreement SI2.793723 (2018-2019)**

Dear Ms Roller,

On behalf of the Market Advisory Council, please find together with this letter the Final Technical Report and Financial Statement of the MAC for the year 2018-2019.

The MAC would like to kindly request the last instalment for this third financial year, which represents EUR 14618.05 (ref. agreement SI2.793723 (2017-2018)).

I remain at your disposal.

Kind regards,



Pedro Reis Santos  
Secretary General of the MAC

## FINAL TECHNICAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### Market AC

Agreement number: SI2.793723		Convention period: 01.10.2018-30.09.2019	
Year: 3	Country: Belgium	Agreement duration:	12 (months)
Title: Specific Agreement for an Operating Grant			
Partner: Market Advisory Council ASBL			
Partner's legal representative: Guus Pastoor			
Period covered by the report	From: .01/10/2018 To: 30/ 09/ 2019		
Convention amendments	Yes	No	X

#### DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that the attached information is accurate and in accordance with the facts. In particular the financial data provided in this report corresponds to the expenditure actually incurred by the project partners for carrying out project activities. This information has been approved by the authorities representing the partners involved in the activities set out in this Report.

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(Original signature of the person legally authorised to act on behalf of the contracting organisation and who signed the agreement)

Name of partner's legal representative: Guus Pastoor

Position within the organisation: Chair of the Market Advisory Council

Place & Date: Brussels, November 2019

Report to be returned to the following address:	European Commission Directorate General Maritime Affairs and Fisheries Head of Unit A2 Common Fisheries policy & aquaculture Office : Rue Joseph II 99 01/07 B-1000 BRUSSELS
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### **Introduction**

The final report, covering the complete duration of the period of the agreement, should be submitted to the Commission within sixty days following the end of the period of eligibility and without prior request on behalf of the Commission.

The final report should present the objectives, work and results achieved and reflect the collective effort made by the AC throughout the Agreement's lifetime. An original<sup>1</sup> of all results and/or products (see part C) must be sent to the Commission, together with this report.

## **A. ORGANISATION**

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Name of the organisation in EN, FR	Market Advisory Council MAC

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## B. OVERVIEW OF THE ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

### B.1 – Work Programme achievements

Did the AC meet its targets in terms of outcomes (as given in the Agreement's work programme)? Please comment on any under or over achievements of targets?

**Under the Work Programme for Year 3, MAC priorities and deliverables covered the following topics: (1) Marketing Standards, (2) Future Funding Priorities for EMFF, (3) Revision of Control Regulation, (4) Certification Schemes, (5) Dual Quality of Food, (6) Trade Agreements, (7) Level Playing Field, (8) IUU Regulation, (9) Plastics, and (10) Other Work.**

#### (1) Marketing Standards

The MAC agreed on two advices on Marketing Standards. The first covering Fresh Products (March 2019) and the second covering Processed Products (July 2019). Therefore, the MAC met the target in terms of outcome, but missed the proposed "before the end of the year 2018" deadline, which impacted the relevance of the advices to the European Commission.

#### (2) Future Funding Priorities for EMFF

On February 2019, the MAC agreed on an advice covering Future Funding Priorities for EMFF. Therefore, the MAC met the target in terms of outcome, but missed the proposed "as soon as possible and at the latest by mid-December 2018" deadline. Nevertheless, it is worth noting that it was a minor discrepancy in relation to the proposed timeline and that, in its response, the Commission appears to recognise the usefulness of the advice. Additionally, the inter-institutional negotiations on this legislative file are still ongoing.

#### (3) Revision of Control Regulation

On November 2018, the MAC agreed on an opinion concerning the EU Fisheries Control. Therefore, the MAC met the target in terms of outcome under the proposed "before the end of the year 2018" deadline. In its response, the European Commission considered the opinion to be "constructive on many points" while providing "concrete proposals on some provisions".

#### (4) Certification Schemes

Under the Work Programme for Year 3, the MAC envisaged to develop an advice by February 2019 on the topic of Certification Schemes. Despite that target, the MAC did not develop formal proposals on this issue. Instead, as outlined under the Work Programme for Year 4, the MAC agreed to undertake a workshop, in 2020, which will mostly likely result in a report containing outcomes, follow-ups and recommendations to the European Commission on the potential need to update current legislation in respect of certification schemes. Terms of reference for the mentioned workshop have already been drafted and are expected to be discussed at the January 2020 MAC meetings.

#### (5) Dual Quality of Food

On November 2018, the MAC agreed on an opinion on Dual Quality of Food. As determined by the Work Programme for Year 3, the opinion focused on specific information in relation to canned tuna products in the light of the requirements of Regulation 1536/92. Under the Work Programme for Year 3, the proposed deadline was "after deliberation among MAC members", which was achieved. In its response, the European Commission appears to be satisfied with the opinion.

#### (6) Trade Agreements



Under the Work Programme for Year 3, the MAC was committed to monitoring and offering advice on both offensive and defensive opportunities in relation to the various ongoing EU negotiations with third countries on possible new free trade agreements. The MAC actively monitored ongoing trade negotiations. At the February 2019 WG2 meeting, the Commission provided an update on trade negotiations with Tunisia, Chile, Mercosur, New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia, plus the MAC discussed potential collaboration with LDAC on joint papers covering trade. At the May 2019 WG2 meeting, the MAC discussed the implications of a potential trade war between the USA and China as well as those that might arise from an EU/USA trade dispute. At the September 2019 WG2 meeting, the MAC exchanged views with DG MARE and DG TRADE on potential retaliatory actions connected to the EU/USA trade discussions, additionally the MAC took the opportunity to discuss trade negotiations with Vietnam, Mercosur, Canada, and Chile. The MAC did not approve advices specifically focused on trade, but it is currently drafting an advice on EPAs with ACP countries. Therefore, the MAC achieved its targets in terms of monitoring, but is still developing outputs in terms of advices.

#### **(7) Level Playing Field**

On September 2019, the MAC agreed on an advice on the Level Playing Field. Therefore, the MAC met the target in terms of outcome, but missed the proposed "February 2019 – April 2019" deadline. The Commission has not yet replied to the advice, so, at present, it is not possible to assess if the delay impacted the usefulness of the advice. The advice covers a wide variety of topics and required considerable effort to achieve consensus. In informal discussions, the Commission has made known that advices with a more specific thematic focus would be preferred, which is feedback that will be taken into account by the MAC in the future. The MAC advice was well received by LDAC at the LDAC November meetings.

#### **(8) IUU Regulation**

Under the Work Programme for Year 3, the MAC committed to consider the need for further advice on the IUU Regulation taking account of the review of the Control Regulation and progress with the implementation of the landing obligation. Taking into account the current state of inter-institutional negotiations on this legislative file, the MAC did not find it necessary to produce an advice on the IUU Regulation during Year 3. In relation to the landing obligation, the MAC agreed to review this issue at the January 2019 WG1 meeting, in order to have more data on its implementation. Nevertheless, issues connected to the IUU Regulation were covered by the MAC on its opinion on the EU Fisheries Control and its advice on the Level Playing Field.

#### **(9) Plastics**

Under the Work Programme for Year 3, the MAC proposed to organise a full day event on Plastics by WG3. The work would aim at producing an advice in light of the Plastic Waste Strategy of the European Commission "in the second half of Year 3". During the course of Year, WG3 agreed on Terms of Reference for the "MAC & NWWAC Workshop on Marine Plastics and the Seafood Supply Chain" and initiated preparations for the full day event. In order to benefit of the presence of other Advisory Councils in Brussels for the 2019 Inter-AC Meeting, the event took place on 7 November 2019, so already during Year 4. Following the debate held at the workshop, the MAC and the NWWAC are currently preparing joint minutes, a report and recommendations. Therefore, the MAC is on the way to meeting its proposed targets, while not meeting the proposed deadline. Nevertheless, the delay allowed for the co-organisation with another Advisory Council as well as the attendance of relevant high-level speakers. At the 2019 Inter-AC Meeting, Commission Representatives highlighted the joint MAC/NWWAC workshop as being "very good" and "very much welcomed", so DG MARE was "extremely pleased".

#### **(10) Other Work**

Under the Work Programme for Year 3, the MAC WGs would keep under review specific areas of interest, responding as appropriate to ad hoc Commission requests for advice. This target was achieved by the MAC. For example, in response to online consultations, the MAC approved a Letter on the Review of the State Aide Framework applicable to the Fishery and Aquaculture Sector and a Letter on the Public Online Consultation



on Horizon Europe Co-Design 2021-2024. Following a request from the Commission to the Advisory Councils, the MAC approved an opinion on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund. By its own initiative, the MAC adopted, for example, an advice on the European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA).

**Overall, the outcomes envisaged by the Work Programme for Year 3 were achieved, which translated into a higher number of deliverables in comparison to Year 2. Nevertheless, the MAC found difficulties in meeting the ambitious deadlines set by the Work Programme, which impacted the relevancy of some of the advices. As determined by its Rules of Procedure, the MAC strives to achieve consensus on all drafts, even though it can delay the original deadlines. The situation has improved, as the MAC perfects its working methods, thanks to increasing level of trust among members and more focused discussions.**

## B.2 – Recommendations

Please comment on the recommendations adopted by the AC during the convention period<sup>2</sup> and on the replies received to your advice.

1. [MAC Opinion on Dual Quality of Food: The Canned Tuna Case](#) – November 2018 – Commission request - [Commission replied in writing](#)

- The Commission's reply provided positive feedback and acknowledges the usefulness of the MAC Opinion.

2. [MAC Opinion on EU Fisheries Control](#) – November 2018 – Commission consultation – [Commission replied in writing](#)

- The Commission's reply considers the MAC opinion as "constructive on many points", while providing "concrete proposals on some provisions", but does not specify the points and proposals. The Commission kindly informed the MAC that a Workshop on traceability of fishery products was under preparation, which was of high interest to the MAC.

3. [MAC Opinion on European Maritime and Fisheries Fund](#) – February 2019 - Requested by Commission – [Commission replied in writing](#)

- The Commission's reply provides concrete responses to the MAC's recommendations, which is very welcomed.

4. [MAC Advice on EU Marketing Standards for Fishery and Aquaculture Products \(Fresh Products\)](#) – March 2019 Commission Evaluation on EU Marketing Standards – [Commission replied in writing](#)

- The Commission's reply expresses appreciation for the MAC's advice. Even though the advice was too late for the consultant's study, the Commission informed that it would feed into the Staff Working Document, which is appreciated by the MAC.

<sup>2</sup> E.G. number, replies to consultation / own initiative, subject etc. Do you see an evolution in comparison with previous years? Specify the level of consensus achieved among the AC members. Overtime, how do you perceive the impact of the AC recommendations? Give concrete examples (positive/ negative).



5. [MAC Advice on EU Marketing Standards for Fishery and Aquaculture Products \(Processed Products\)](#) – July 2019 - Commission Evaluation on EU Marketing Standards -- [Commission replied in writing](#)

- The Commission's reply welcomes the MAC's advice. Even though the advice was too late for the consultant's study, the Commission informed that it would feed into the Staff Working Document, which is appreciated by the MAC.

6. [MAC Letter on Public Online Consultation on Horizon Europe Co-Design 2021-2024](#) – September 2019 – Public Online Consultation – No reply received

7. [MAC Opinion on European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture \(EUMOFA\)](#) – September 2019 – Own Initiative – [Commission replied in writing](#)

- The Commission's reply provides very detailed responses to all of the MAC's recommendations, which is very welcomed.

8. [MAC Advice on Level Playing Field](#) – September 2019 – Own Initiative – No reply received

Overall, all reports, drafts, and opinions were adopted with a high level of consensus among the MAC. The work done within the Focus Groups was essential to facilitate the adoption of the different drafts. All opinions are considered by the members of these task forces, even when it might impact the originally proposed deadline. The recently adopted Guidelines on the Functioning of the Focus Groups have contributed in facilitating the adoption of advices.

### B.3 – Collaboration with other partners

Describe the initiatives taken by the AC to develop cooperation with the other ACs, the Commission / Member States / European Parliament, ICES / STECF / scientists etc.

The MAC systematically invites the Commission, the European Parliament and Member States to participate in its meetings.

The Long Distance Advisory Council and the Aquaculture Advisory Council usually participate in the MAC meetings as observers in relation to the topics of their interest.

The MAC has a close collaboration with STECF and they are invited to MAC meetings to present their reports on the fleet/processing/aquaculture. The MAC participated at the Annual STECF Fleet Report meeting.

During Year 3, the MAC initiated preparations for a lunch seminar, in collaboration with the Aquaculture Advisory Council, hosted by EP PECH Committee Vice-Chairs MEP Peter Van Dalen and MEP Giuseppe Ferrandino ("The Role of Advisory Councils under the Common Fisheries Policy - A lunch seminar by the Market and Aquaculture Advisory Councils"). Other ACs were invited to attend this event and participate in the scheduled 30 minutes Q&A Session. PELAC, SWWAC, LDAC, and NSAC were represented at the event.

During Year 3, the MAC also initiated preparations for a Workshop on Marine Plastics and the Seafood Supply Chain. The workshop was co-organised with the North Western Waters Regional Advisory Council. Other ACs, such as the AAC and the NSAC, were also invited to co-organise the event. All ACs were invited to send up to three representatives and the event was scheduled to take on the eve of the 2019 Inter-AC Meeting, in order to facilitate their participation.



The MAC Secretariat has also increased email exchanges with other AC Secretariats, in order to foster further collaboration.

#### **B.4 – Internal Functioning**

Report on possible difficulties in the internal functioning of the AC. Describe the actions that have been taken to solve the problems and improve the internal functioning of the AC. Propose further action (if needed).

In order to improve the internal functioning, the MAC approved Guidelines on the Functioning of the Focus Groups, which aim to increase the efficiency of these structures. The guidelines also clarify the relationship between the Focus Groups, the Working Groups, and the Executive Committee.

Following previous Commission feedback, at the latest Executive Committee meetings, MAC members discussed the need to provide more deliverables to the Commission and the need for smaller/more focused advices. In the future, the MAC will aim to move beyond discussions/presentations during meetings and towards more deliverables.

As the internal functioning of the MAC is perfected, the trust levels among members has also been increasing, which can be seen in the higher number of advices adopted at the end of Year 3.





### **B.5 – Membership and representativeness**

Comment on the composition of the AC (total number of members, representation of the different Member States / interests). Explain the actions taken in order to improve the representativeness of the AC.

The MAC is composed of 55 members from 11 countries (Spain, France, Ireland, UK, Netherlands, Denmark, Italy, Belgium, Poland, Sweden, Germany) representing the whole value chain. Members include primary producers of the catching sector, aquaculture producers, processors, traders, suppliers and retailers, trade unions, environmental and development non-governmental organisations, among others. All of the different interests are represented at the Executive Committee's level.

During Year 3, four Member States committed to participate as active observers in the MAC (Spain, Slovenia, Germany, United Kingdom). Even though Ireland was invited to make a financial contribution, no contribution was received.

The MAC Secretariat has held informal discussions with several environmental NGOs, in order to inform them of the MAC's activities and invite them to join, so that the relevance of this interest can be increased among its membership.

### **B.6 - Communication**

Report on activities taken towards the effective communication of programme results to the targeted audience (the fisheries sector, the other interested groups, the policy-makers).

The MAC provides information on all its meetings, including agendas and minutes on its website ([www.marketac.eu](http://www.marketac.eu)) in the three working languages (English, Spanish, French). On its website, the MAC also makes publicly available all adopted advices as well as the Commission's replies.

The MAC has increased the level of activity on its Twitter account (@MarketAC\_EU). Since the latest change in the Secretariat, the MAC has tweeted about all approved advices and Commission replies. The MAC has also tweeted about its own events and meetings as well as participation in other initiatives.

The MAC has created Facebook (@MarketAdvisoryCouncil) and LinkedIn (market-advisory-council) pages to publicise its main advices.

During the course of Year 3, the MAC has been sending copies of its "Production & Marketing Plans Guidelines & Good Practices" to all Producer Organisations in the EU.

During Year 3, the MAC also initiated preparations for a lunch seminar, in collaboration with the Aquaculture Advisory Council, hosted by EP PECH Committee Vice-Chairs MEP Peter Van Dalen and MEP Giuseppe Ferrandino ("The Role of Advisory Councils under the Common Fisheries Policy - A lunch seminar by the Market and Aquaculture Advisory Councils"), which took place on 12 November 2019, in order to inform newly elected PECH Committee members on the role of the Advisory Councils and the results achieved.



**C. RESULTS / PRODUCTS**

**Table C.1 – Meetings organised by the AC and attended by ACs representatives**

Title of the meeting	Date	Place	Key results of the meeting (brief summary of the minutes)
Working Group 2 Meeting	18 October 2018	Brussels	<p><b>Control Regulation:</b> Members analysed the draft MAC opinion on the topic. It was agreed that the Secretariat would circulate a new version of the draft, which would be presented to the Executive Committee for adoption.</p> <p><b>PRODCOM Statistics:</b> The Commission informed members that the deadline for proposals had concluded and that the submitted proposals were being analysed. Matthias Keller (BVFI) did a presentation on the proposal submitted by AIPCE-CEP to restructure the PRODCOM nomenclature. The Chair expressed the MAC's willingness to assist the Commission and invited the MAC to follow-up on this topic.</p> <p><b>STECF – Economic Results of the Fish Processing Sector in 2017:</b> Michael Turenhout (VisFederatie) did a presentation on the topic, which was followed by an exchange of views between the members.</p> <p><b>Level Playing Field:</b> Guus Pastoor (AIPCE) informed the WG concerning the meetings of the Focus Group. It was agreed that the FG would identify case studies to demonstrate potential differences between products, commercial flows, and situations.</p>

<b>Working Group 3 Meeting</b>	<b>18 October 2018</b>	<b>Brussels</b>	<p><b>Ecolabels:</b> The Chair invited the group to think whether ecolabels may or may not be a market access requirement. The Chair agreed to meet, together with the Secretariat, with the Commission, to discuss how to approach the questions on ecolabels and how the MAC can give input.</p> <p><b>Dual Quality of Food:</b> The Chair invited members to share their knowledge on cases of dual quality of food in canned tuna and fish fingers. The Chair suggested for the MAC to draft a letter informing the Commission that the MAC cannot say that there is a dual quality problem in the canned tuna sector.</p> <p><b>Presentation of Labelling of Caviar:</b> AAC gave a presentation on the situation and open issues regarding labelling of caviar. The Chair suggested to draft a letter asking for clarification on the legislative framework and look into this matter again within WG3.</p> <p><b>AOB:</b> Presentation on the European Guide to Good Practice for Smoked Fish and/or Salted and/or Marinated.</p>
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Working Group 1 Meeting	19 October 2018	Brussels	<p>Marketing Standards: Pim Visser (VisNed) gave a presentation on the MAC draft advice on EU Marketing Standards for fishery and aquaculture products. The Chair reviewed the draft page by page. At the end, the Chair invited the Focus Group to reconvene in the near future and to deliver the final draft by mid-January 2019 in order to have a proper discussion in February 2019 at WG1.</p> <p>STECF: Michael Keatinge gave a detailed presentation on the EU Fishing Fleet Trends and Economic Results. The Chair looked forward to developing a relationship between the MAC and STECF. He concluded that WG1 would explore with the Commission how to add value to STECF, as well as create linkages with EUMOFA. A roadmap on how to progress on this issue needs to be plotted. At the MAC February meetings, the WG would discuss with the Commission on how to address these issues.</p> <p>EMFF: The Commission presented the timeline on the EMFF proposal.</p> <p>EUMOFA: The Commission provided an update on the ongoing procurement procedure. WG1 expressed interest in knowing how to further interact with and improve EUMOFA.</p>
Focus Group on EMFF	19 October 2018	Brussels	The Focus Group discussed the draft MAC recommendation on the EMFF.
Focus Group on Marketing Standards	21 November 2018	Brussels	The Focus Group discussed the draft MAC recommendation on Marketing Standards.
Focus Group on Marketing Standards	10 January 2019	Brussels	The Focus Group discussed the draft MAC recommendation on Marketing Standards.
Management Team Meeting	15 January 2019	Brussels	The Management Team discussed general MAC administrative matters.

Working Group 3 Meeting	12 February 2019	Bilbao	<p><b>Update on Ecolabels:</b> The Chair gave an update on the status of this file: a questionnaire was circulated among members of the MAC on whether ecolabels, certification schemes and voluntary information are de facto conditions to enter the market. The responses were forwarded anonymously to the European Commission an no further action was requested from the MAC. Members agree in organising a workshop on the matter and in drafting Terms of Reference on the workshop so as to clarify what would the outcome be. Those ToR would be drafted by the Chair of WG3 and the Secretariat to be discussed at the next session of WG3.</p> <p><b>Consumer Information:</b> The Chair gave an overview on the caviar issue, presented by the ACC during the previous WG3 meeting. The Secretariat would circulate an email inviting members to consider supporting the AAC. As for consumer information, a debate took place among members with regards to the convenience of further discussing the issue. Members of the MAC decided to constitute a Focus Group on Consumer Information.</p> <p><b>Plastics:</b> Members endorsed the idea of having a workshop, with key speakers, involving the three working groups in the MAC as well as other ACs. The Secretariat and the Chair would prepare the layout, date and speakers which would be circulated among members for adoption.</p> <p><b>Traceability:</b> Mercadona gave a presentation on traceability and how they deal with wide range of data. It was followed by an exchange of views among members. Members expressed the importance of traceability.</p>
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<p><b>Working Group 1 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>12 February 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Bilbao</b></p>	<p><b>EMFF:</b> The EMFF draft was discussed article by article and a compromise was reached in most of them. The Executive Committee would follow the urgent written procedure.</p> <p><b>Marketing Standards:</b> The Chair of the Focus Group on Marketing Standards, Pim Visser, gave an overview of the preparation of the draft on marketing standards. The draft was analysed paragraph by paragraph. It was decided that, given the difficulties to reach a consensus, the items referring to preserved tuna would be separated from the document and dealt with by the Focus Group. With regards to the fresh fish part of the draft document, having gone through it on a paragraph by paragraph basis, it was agreed that the text would be put forward to the Executive Committee for adoption.</p> <p><b>STECF:</b> A discussion took place with regards to the possibility of developing a closer relationship with STECF. The Commission clarified that any collaboration of the MAC with STECF has to go through the relevant Unit in DG MARE. The MAC will request to attend as observer the meetings of the Expert Group of STECF and the Chair will follow up with the Commission.</p> <p><b>EUMOFA:</b> It was agreed that the Secretariat would distribute a questionnaire on EUMOFA. The questionnaire aimed at getting an idea whether members of the MAC considered the tool useful and to explore possibilities of improving it. Members were invited to complete the draft questionnaire with any question they deem necessary. Once the last draft would be put together by the Secretariat, the members would be invited to fill it in.</p> <p><b>AOB:</b> Production and Marketing Plans: Upon the proposal of organising a workshop on the implementation of PMPs, it was decided that it would be premature. The issue should be discussed during the MAC September meeting.</p>
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<p><b>General Assembly</b></p>	<p><b>13 February 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Bilbao</b></p>	<p>Updates were provided on the key work done by the 3 Working Groups. The WGs also highlighted the topics to be discussed in the future.</p> <p><b>Adoption of new Rules of Procedure:</b> The Secretariat presented the new rules of Procedure. These were adopted.</p> <p><b>Update on the Work Programme of Year 3:</b> The Secretariat presented the Work Programme for Year 3.</p> <p><b>Discharge of Accounts Year 2:</b> The discharge of accounts of Year 2 was approved by the GA.</p> <p><b>Draft Budget for Year 4:</b> The Secretariat presented the draft budget for Year 4. The draft budget was adopted by the GA.</p> <p><b>Calendar of meetings:</b> The calendar of MAC meetings were approved.</p> <p><b>Information on new members:</b> The Secretariat informed that the MAC lost one member, SEAFISH, although they are an active observer as Member State, and gained one new member, OPP72.</p> <p><b>AOB:</b> Suggestions were made regarding the MAC website and daily work procedures.</p>
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<p><b>Working Group 2 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>13 February 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Bilbao</b></p>	<p><b>Level Playing Field: The Chair of the FG, Pierre Commère, gave an update on the work done so far. The Chair suggested sketching out 2 or 3 issues that would be relevant to the LPF for the FG to make some general statements on. The Chair of the FG added that the Control Regulation, in parallel with the IUU Regulation, and catch certificates system still needs to be examined by the FG in order to assess the possible differences. The FG will primarily examine the evidences of non-compliance, which can then be referred to the States or Commission to follow up onto. It was also suggested for the MAC to send some recommendations to the Commission regarding the Fisheries Chapter in future Trade Agreements with Third Countries.</b></p> <p><b>STECF Report EU Fish Processing Sector 2017: Presentation by Dr Ms Leyre Goti (Thunen Institute of Sea Fisheries). A discussion took place among members on the data used for such report and how reliable the data is. The WG2 Chair expressed the strong wish for the MAC to engage much more with STECF in order to help improve the quality of the report and the data sources.</b></p> <p><b>Trade Issues: The Commission provided an update on ongoing negotiations regarding FTA between the EU and Tunisia, Chile, Mercosur, New Zealand, Australia, and Indonesia. Possible collaboration with LDAC: The Secretary of LDAC invited members of the MAC to attend LDAC's WG on Fisheries Agreement with Third Countries meetings. The LDAC has drawn a list of topics that they would like to share with the MAC, and suggested cooperation between both ACs on those topics, possibly through a Task Force or a FG under the remit of the MAC. This could lead to the production of a joint paper. The WG2 Chair welcomed LDAC's suggestion for cooperation and invited the LDAC to also attend MAC's meetings as an observer.</b></p> <p><b>Control Regulation: A presentation was made by Georg Werner (EJF) on the "Control Regulation – Update on the revision process". The WG agreed to review where this dossier stands by the end of May 2019 and to re-evaluate the opinion at that stage, depending on the votes on the tabled amendments to the draft report.</b></p> <p><b>AOB: EUMOFA – Questionnaire WG2: The Chair of WG2 and the Secretariat would draft the questionnaire for WG2, which should be similar to the WG1 questionnaire.</b></p>
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<b>Focus Group on Level Playing Field Meeting Management Team Meeting</b>	<b>5 March 2019</b>	<b>Brussels</b>	<b>The FG agreed to divide itself into 4 groups, in order to start drafting the Chapters proposed by the Chair and agreed by members. The Management Team discussed general administrative MAC matters.</b>
<b>Focus Group on Consumer Information Meeting</b>	<b>3 April 2019</b>	<b>Brussels</b>	<b>A discussion took place where participants expressed their view on the issue of possibly declaring the origin on the label for products 1604 and 1605. Members decided to create a Google doc where they will draft a paper addressing the following structure: 1.Legislative Framework 2.Consumer Information: studies, surveys and information available on consumer behaviour and interests on information received. 3.Labels &amp; clearer information: what would work and what would not work in terms of information provided. Recommendations &amp; examples of other food products 4.Competition aspects of the difference in requirements in terms of information to consumer for fresh products and processed products 5.Examples of good practices (esp. new and future solutions (e.g. digital etc.))</b>
<b>Focus Group on Level Playing Field Meeting</b>	<b>30 April 2019</b>	<b>Brussels</b>	<b>The FG discussed the draft advice on Level Playing Field.</b>

<p><b>Management Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Team</b></p>	<p><b>2 May 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Relation with the European Commission:</b> Management Team discussed the need to improve the relationship with the European Commission.</p> <p><b>FG on Level Playing Field:</b> It is necessary to identify the major points for the FG to focus on.</p> <p><b>Trade Agreements:</b> It would be beneficial for the MAC to have a view on draft trade agreements. It is necessary to examine the impact of FTAs on prices, on employment, among other issues.</p> <p><b>EUMOFA (WG2):</b> It was concluded that EUMOFA is not widely used among the MAC members.</p> <p><b>Marketing Standards:</b> The Management Team discussed the Commission's dissatisfaction with the lack of a MAC advice on processed fish products. The Team considered that it would be prudent to wait for the Commission's external study on the matter.</p> <p><b>STECF:</b> The MAC should check with the Commission if it would be possible to attend as an observer.</p> <p><b>EUMOFA (WG1):</b> There are a number of recommendations being developed by the MAC, which will be presented to the WG.</p> <p><b>Plastics and Ecolabels:</b> The MAC wishes to put this issue forward. Workshops on these topics to be organized in October-November 2019. Feedback from the WG is needed on the content.</p> <p><b>FG on Consumer Information:</b> There was good progress on this topic.</p> <p><b>Contaminants:</b> There is no Commission representative to discuss the topic at the WG3 meeting. Yet this is a very significant issue. There is no Commission official proposal yet. It would be important to have a Commission at the next meeting to present current internal discussions and proposals.</p>
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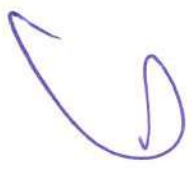


<p><b>Working Group 2 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>16 May 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Focus Group on Level Playing Field:</b> Pierre Commère, Chair of the FG, provided an update on the work done. It was agreed that the FG should leave outside of the paper on Level Playing the issues of Marketing Standards, this is in the remit of WG1. Further discussion will continue at FG level. A draft paper should be circulated prior to the next WG meeting.</p> <p><b>Trade Agreements – Collaboration with LDAC:</b> The Chair noted that, while WG2 of the MAC is the competent forum to discuss and give advice on trade agreements, the Group was open to discussion with other Interested ACs. Unfortunately, it had not yet been possible to arrange this.</p> <p><b>Trade Agreements – EU/USA Discussions:</b> The Chair drew attention to the implications for the fisheries sector of a potential trade war between the USA and China, as well as those which might arise from an EU/USA trade dispute. The Commission encouraged the WG to put questions in written form for the competent services to reply.</p> <p><b>EUMOFA:</b> The Chair explained that a questionnaire had been distributed. The responses suggested that EUMOFA was not seen as an active tool for market management, though historical data did have some value.</p> <p><b>EMFF:</b> The Commission provided a state-of-play on the adoption of the dossier. The MAC compared the MAC recommendations with the EP amendments. The MAC agreed to continue to peruse its recommendations with the EU institutions.</p>
<p><b>Working Group 1 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>16 May 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Marketing Standards:</b> Pim Visser, Chair of the FG on Marketing Standards, provided an update on the work done. An explanation on the Fresh Fish advice was provided. The FG would need to work further on quality standards. The WG discussed the process and content of the draft advice on Processed Fish.</p> <p><b>EUMOFA:</b> The WG discussed and analysed the results from the questionnaires.</p> <p><b>STECF:</b> The MAC expressed willingness to formalise an invitation of the MAC to attend as an observer. The Commission expressed willingness to accept MAC as an observer. The Chair would attend the next STECF fleet report annual meeting taking place from 3 to 10 June in Dublin as an observer.</p>

<p><b>Working Group 3 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>17 May 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Plastics:</b> The WG discussed the Terms of Reference and dates for the Workshop, particularly the structure and scope, messaging, and external actors to be involved.</p> <p><b>Ecolabels:</b> The WG discussed the Terms of Reference and dates for the Workshop. The Chair concluded that there is a general interest to organise this workshop, but it needs to be precisely framed with the specific requests by the Commission and the members of the MAC. The agenda should be refined, also in coordination with the Commission, by end August, to be discussed in the next WG meeting.</p> <p><b>Focus Group on Consumer Information:</b> Georg Werner, Chair of the FG on Consumer Information provided an update on the first meeting.</p> <p><b>Contaminants – Implications for fish, fishery products and fishmeal of lowering the limits for PCBs and dioxins.</b> The WG discussed the review of the risks to human and animal health of these substances done by EFSA. The MAC should send a clear message to the Commission that it is extremely important to receive information on this topic. The MAC would like to be informed by DG SANTE on the state-of-play of this dossier at the next meeting.</p> <p><b>AOB: Caviar Labelling (AAC Advice) –</b> The WG Chair provided information on the members' reactions to the possibility of endorsing the AAC Advice. It was concluded that the issue should be brought for discussion in the next WG meeting.</p>
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<p><b>Executive Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Committee</b></p>	<p><b>17 May 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Focus Groups' Functioning and Procedures:</b> It was concluded that terms of reference and clear scope/mandate of FGs, with description of tasks and timeline, are crucial; smaller groups work more efficiently, trust among members is essential; negotiations should not take place in FGs, but only preparatory work. Chairs of current FG could prepare terms of reference and a timeline. The Secretariat should have regular contacts with the Commission. A paper on the functioning of FGs should be circulated to the members. Minutes of the management group's meetings should be circulated to members.</p> <p><b>Update on Accounts:</b> Panos Manias, Financial Officer of the MAC, provided an update on the execution of the budget.</p> <p><b>Grant Agreement Year 4:</b> Discussion was held on new foreseen expenditures and amendments needed, particularly to take into account the workshops on plastics and ecolabels. Members held a discussion on the Work Programme for Year 4.</p> <p><b>New Parliament:</b> Members thought it would be helpful to organise an event in the European Parliament, where MEPs but also Commission officials would be present. The Secretariat would explore options for such an event.</p> <p>The FG discussed the input to the working document. A new deadline was set for suggestions on the revised draft of the working document.</p>
<p><b>Focus Group on Consumer Information</b></p>		<p><b>19 June 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p>The FG discussed the input to the working document. A new deadline was set for suggestions on the revised draft of the working document.</p>

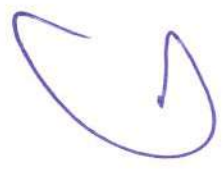
<p><b>Working Group 2 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>2 September 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Focus Group on Level Playing Field: Pierre Commère, Chair of the Focus Group, provided an update on the work done. The members held an exchange of views on the way forward. The WG agreed to work to produce a "clean draft" within a week to ten days of the meeting, which would allow a written procedure to conclude the advice under Year 3.</b></p> <p><b>Trade Agreements – EU/USA discussions – Presentation by Commission Representative (DG TRADE): DG TRADE explained that the EU-USA tariff negotiations had not yet started and that the problem is the coverage agreement. Additionally, there are provisional lists in the event of mutual retaliation prepared by both sides, but there were no developments on this matter. DG TRADE also informed members on trade negotiations with Vietnam, Canada, Thailand, and Chile.</b></p> <p><b>PRODCOM List 2019: The Commission informed the members on the PRODCOM List, particularly the relationship with the Combined Nomenclature.</b></p>
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<p><b>Working Group 1 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>2 September 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Evaluation of the EU Marketing Standards:</b> The Commission provided a presentation on the evaluation of the EU marketing standards. The members held an exchange of views on the presentation. The Chair expressed agreement for the MAC to continue working on fresh fish standards.</p> <p><b>EUMOFA:</b> The Chair asked members if any changes were needed on the draft recommendation on EUMOFA. Several amendments were proposed by members. The Chair proposed to amend the draft text and circulate it again.</p> <p><b>EMFF:</b> The Commission provided a state-of-play on the adoption of the dossier. The members held an exchange of views on the dossier. The Chair outlined several topics that need to be followed-up. On Production and Marketing Plans, the MAC must follow-up with its recommendation with the Parliament and Member States. It is worth bringing up again the issue of capital funding for Advisory Councils for scientific research.</p> <p><b>Review of the State aid framework applicable to the fishery and aquaculture sector:</b> The members discussed the review of the State Aid framework. The members agreed to work to conclude a document by the consultation's deadline.</p> <p><b>Landing Obligation:</b> The members held an exchange of views on the topic, particularly on the need to review the markets situation. Members agreed to address the topic from a market perspective at the next MAC meetings, once a year of implementation has passed and more data is available.</p> <p><b>STECF – Reporting back on the Annual STECF Fleet Report Meeting:</b> The Chair reported back on the annual meeting. The Chair proposed to submit a recommendation to the Executive Committee welcoming what the STECF had produced, while highlighting the issue with the price data, plus that sales notes data be made available to STECF.</p>
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<b>Management Meeting</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>2 September 2019</b>	<b>Brussels</b>	<p><b>EUMOFA:</b> It was agreed that the MAC should strive to agree on the EUMOFA recommendations under Year 3.</p> <p><b>Review of the State Aid Framework Applicable to the Fishery and Aquaculture Sector:</b> It was agreed to try to fast track this item in light of the tight consultation deadline.</p> <p><b>STECF:</b> A recommendation should be brought forward concerning problems with average price data in relation to the Annual STECF Fleet Report.</p> <p><b>FG on Level Playing Field:</b> It was agreed that the MAC should strive to conclude the advice under Year 3.</p> <p><b>Workshop on Plastics and Seafood Supply Chain:</b> A different venue was recommended, in order to allow a larger attendance.</p> <p><b>Potential Event for MEPs:</b> The Management Team discussed the appropriate date and the need to include other ACs as well as the discussion topics.</p> <p><b>Grant Agreement Year 4:</b> The need for more outputs and to consider the new European Commission's priorities was discussed.</p> <p><b>CATCH IT System:</b> The MAC should analyse a potential recommendation on this topic.</p>
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<p><b>Working Group 3 Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>3 September 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Plastics – Terms of Reference and Dates for the Workshop:</b> The Chair informed that the date would be 7 November 2019 and that it would be co-organised with the NWWAC. Members exchanged views on the venue and speakers.</p> <p><b>FG on Consumer Information:</b> The Chair provided an update on the second meeting. Members discussed the need of an additional FG meeting before the submission of the draft text to the WG.</p> <p><b>Horizon Europe Co-Design 2021-2024:</b> An exchange of views was held on the MAC's response to the online consultation. There was support to draft a text for the online consultation as well as letter to DG MARE.</p> <p><b>Scientific Denominations Changes – Sebastes Marinus, Theragra Chalcogramma, and Uroteuthis Chinensis:</b> The members held an exchange of views on changes proposed by the scientific community which could impact the tariff code system. Some third countries are obliging European producers to use the new scientific denominations. There was agreement to write a letter to the Commission drawing attention to this issue.</p> <p><b>Contaminants – Implications for fish, fishery products and fishmeal of lowering the limits for PCBs and dioxins:</b> The European Commission provided a presentation on the EFSA opinion concerning PCBs and dioxins. The possibility of an exemption for processing of oil originating from aquaculture species in relation to analysis was dioxins was discussed. Ongoing problems concerning EU and Chinese requirements for cadmium levels in crustaceans were also debated.</p> <p><b>Caviar Labelling:</b> A new proposal on caviar labelling would be presented to the MAC at the next WG3 meeting.</p>
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<p><b>Executive Meeting</b></p> <p><b>Committee</b></p> <p><b>3 September 2019</b></p>	<p><b>Brussels</b></p>	<p><b>Update on the Guidelines on the Functioning of Focus Groups:</b> The Chair recalled the approval of the guidelines. FGs are not decision-making groups, but a group to share knowledge, proposals, and ideas, in order to develop a format that then goes to the WG. The Chair drew attention to the importance of increasing the MAC's productivity.</p> <p><b>Implementation of the Work Programme 2019-2020:</b> The Chair recalled that the Work Programme had been approved.</p> <p><b>Update on Accounts:</b> Panos Manias, Financial Officer of the MAC, provided an update on the execution of the budget.</p> <p><b>Grant Agreement Year 4:</b> The Chair informed that the Grant agreement for Year 4 was sent to the European Commission for assessment, including the work programme.</p> <p><b>CATCH IT System:</b> The Commission provided a presentation on the new IT system. The members held an exchange of views on the issue, particularly on its voluntary nature and potential use by third countries.</p> <p><b>New European Parliament – Organisation of a potential event for new MEPs.</b> The Chair outlined that the aim would be to introduce the MAC to the new MEPs, in order for them to know the ACs, the MAC's work, and potentially invite them to participate in meetings.</p> <p><b>The Chairs of the 3 WGs reported back on the work done.</b></p> <p><b>Next MAC Elections:</b> The Secretary General provided an overview of the relevant provisions for the next MAC elections, taking place in January 2020. An official call will be sent later. Members were invited to ponder about potential applications and to take into account the need for consensus.</p> <p><b>AOB – External Representation of the MAC.</b> Chair or Vice-Chairs should attend on behalf of the MAC. If they are not available, then the WG Chairs. External representatives should report back to the ExCom on declarations made on behalf</p>
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			of the MAC and relevant points discussed. Good Fish Foundation reported back on the Landing Obligation Seminar. Europêche reported back on the EFCA Advisory Board Meeting that took place on 27 February 2019.
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Table C.2 – List of recommendations adopted by the ACs

N°	Full title	Date of adoption
1	MAC Opinion on EU Fisheries Control	5 November 2018
2	MAC Opinion on Dual Quality of Food: The Canned Tuna Case	8 November 2018
3	MAC Opinion on European Maritime and Fisheries Fund	27 February 2019
4	MAC Advice on EU Marketing Standards for Fishery and Aquaculture Products (Fresh Products)	28 March 2019
5	MAC Advice on EU Marketing Standards for Fishery and Aquaculture Products (Processed Products)	12 July 2019
6	MAC Letter on Public Online Consultation on Horizon Europe Co-Design 2021-2024	26 September 2019
7	MAC Opinion on European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)	30 September 2019
8	MAC Advice on Level Playing Field	30 September 2019

Please enclose in annex the minutes of the AC meetings and all the recommendations adopted by the ACs.

- The Minutes are available here: <https://marketac.eu/en/minutes-of-meetings-2/>
- The Recommendations adopted are available here: <https://marketac.eu/en/category/publications/>

<sup>3</sup> Or mention the hyperlink to the AC website where these documents are available.

**E. GENERAL COMMENTS and SUGGESTIONS to the Commission**

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**EXPENDITURE INCURRED IN CARRYING OUT THE WORK PROGRAMME  
OF MARKET ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**AS PROVIDED FOR IN ANNEX I OF THE SPECIFIC AGREEMENT ON AN  
OPERATING GRANT, SIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FRAMEWORK  
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT AND WITH ANNEX II OF THE COUNCIL  
DECISION OF 19 JULY 2004 (2004/585/CE) AS AMENDED BY THE COUNCIL  
DECISION OF 11 JUNE 2007 (2007/409/CE)**

*Reference of Framework Partnership Agreement of 28.03.2017*  
*Reference of Specific Operating Grant Agreement: SI2.793723*

**C E R T I F I C A T E**

I, the undersigned Edouard KESTELOOT, acting in my capacity as the auditor for "Market Advisory Council", hereby certify, after verification, that all eligible expenditure included in the attached documents, representing the total cost, was incurred in the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

An instalment of 240.000,00 EUR has already been received from the Commission in respect of the above programme.

I also certify that the costs declared by "Market Advisory Council" in the financial statements on which the request of payment is based are necessary to ensure the normal operation of the Advisory Council, real, accurately recorded and eligible and that all receipts have been declared, in accordance with the Framework Agreement and the Specific Agreement.

The operations were carried out in accordance with the objectives laid down in the Framework and the Specific Agreements referred to above and with the provisions of the Council Decision of 19 July 2004 (2004/585/EC) as amended by the Council decision of 11 June 2007 (2007/409/CE).

The tables attached comprise the expenditure incurred. This request for payment is substantiated by adequate supporting documents that can be checked.

Saint-Léger, November 15, 2019








Edouard KESTELOOT

List of enclosures : Final technical report and financial statement of "Market Advisory Council"

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Year	2018-2019	01/10/2018 - 30/09/2019	To period	04	01/07/2019 - 30/09/2019	GROSS	Depreciations and amounts	NETT
From period	00	01/10/2018 - 01/10/2018						
<b>ASSETS</b>								
<b>Fixed assets</b>								
<b>Formation expenses</b>								
<b>Intangible assets</b>								
<b>Tangible assets</b>								
Land and buildings								
Plant, machinery and equipment								
Furniture and vehicles								
Leasing and other similar rights								
Other tangible assets								
Assets under construction and advance payments								
<b>Financial assets</b>								
<b>Current assets</b>						116.429,07		116.429,07
<b>Amounts receivable after more than one year</b>								
Trade debtors								
Other amounts receivable								
<b>Stocks and contracts in progress</b>								
Stocks								
Contracts in progress								
<b>Amounts receivable within one year</b>						16.041,98		16.041,98
Trade debtors								
400000 Membership fees to receive						17.700,00		17.700,00
400900 Credit notes to be established						-2.000,00		-2.000,00
Other amounts receivable								
416800 Amounts to be recovered from members						341,98		341,98
<b>Investments</b>								
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>								
550200 ING BE94 3631 6127 9314 - Current account						67.999,15		67.999,15
550243 ING BE66 3631 6122 4043 - UE account						32.387,94		32.387,94
<b>Deferred charges and accrued income</b>								
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>						116.429,07	0,00	116.429,07

Year	2018-2019	01/10/2018 - 30/09/2019						
From period	00	01/10/2018 - 01/10/2018	To period	04	01/07/2019 - 30/09/2019	GROSS	Depreciations and amounts	NETT
<b>LIABILITIES</b>								
<b>Capital and reserves</b>						19.572,90		19.572,90
<b>Capital</b>								
Issued capital								
Uncalled capital								
<b>Share premium account</b>								
<b>Revaluation surplus</b>								
<b>Reserves</b>								
Legal reserve								
Reserves not available for distribution								
Untaxed reserves								
Reserves available for distribution								
<b>Profit or loss carried forward</b>						19.572,90		19.572,90
140000 Reported benefits						19.572,90		19.572,90
<b>Investment grants</b>								
<b>Shareholders' advance on net-assets</b>								
<b>Provisions and deferred taxation</b>								
<b>Provisions for liabilities and charges</b>								
<b>Deferred taxation</b>								
<b>Creditors</b>						96.856,17		96.856,17
<b>Amounts payable after more than one year</b>								
<b>Financial debts</b>								
Trade debts								
Advances received on contracts in progress								
Other amounts payable								
<b>Amounts payable within one year</b>						96.856,17		96.856,17
Current portion of amounts payable after more than one year								
<b>Financial debts</b>								
Trade debts								
440000 Suppliers						37.969,21		37.969,21
444000 Invoices to receive						2.420,00		2.420,00
Advances received on contracts in progress								
460000 Membership fees prepaid						2.900,00		2.900,00
460200 Membership fees as members of the General Assembly						11.400,00		11.400,00
460300 Membership fees as members of ther Working Groups						16.500,00		16.500,00
460400 Membership fees as members of the Executive Committee						8.800,00		8.800,00
<b>Taxes, remuneration and social security</b>								
Other amounts payable								
480000 Costs meeting of members to pay						16.866,96		16.866,96
<b>Accrued charges and deferred income</b>								
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>						116.429,07	0,00	116.429,07

Year	2018-2019	01/10/2018 - 30/09/2019						
From period	00	01/10/2018 - 01/10/2018	To period	04	01/07/2019 - 30/09/2019	Detail per account	Subtotal per class	Total per section
<b>Operating income</b>								
Turnover								
Increase or decrease in stocks of finished goods, work and contracts in progress								
Own construction capitalised								
<b>Raw materials, consumables and goods for resale</b>								
Purchases								
Increase or decrease in stocks								
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>								0,00
<b>Operation charges</b>								-290.299,05
Services and other goods							290.299,05	
611120	Renting Office Space EBCD				6.098,40			
611130	Data processing				1.161,60			
611135	Room rental for meetings				10.339,28			
612226	Overheads EBCD				6.112,92			
612231	Small equipment				386,79			
613260	Accounting costs				3.630,00			
613270	Auditor costs				2.420,00			
613290	Fees Interpreters				22.470,22			
613320	Web Site Costs				1.161,60			
613390	Salary & charges of personnel & Staff EBCD				125.053,56			
614200	Other travel costs				26,89			
615100	Travel Costs AC Members				76.007,40			
615120	Food expenses for meeting				14.772,51			
615150	Belgian restaurants kost				533,63			
615170	Hotel costs				17.710,00			
616100	Postal Charges				2.414,25			
Remuneration, social security costs and pensions								
Depreciation of and other amounts written off formation expenses, intangible and tar								
Increase or decrease in amounts written off stocks, contracts in progress and trade c								
Increase or decrease in provisions for liabilities and charges								
<b>Other operating income</b>								283.444,25
740000	Operating Subsidies UE				240.000,00			
740001	Operating Subsidies previous year				244,25			
746000	Membership fees as members State				6.500,00			
746200	Membership fees as members of the General Assembly				11.200,00			
746300	Membership fees as members of ther Working Groups				16.200,00			
746400	Membership fees as members of the Executive Committee				8.800,00			
746900	Membership fees previous year				500,00			
<b>Other operating charges</b>								-50,00
644120	Contribution fines				50,00			
<b>Operating charges capitalised as reorganization costs</b>								
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>								-6.904,80
<b>Financial income</b>								0,02
757300	Differences in payment				0,02			
<b>Financial charges</b>								-509,70
656000	Financial Charges				509,70			



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Date list 20/11/2019

<b>Year</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>01/10/2018 - 30/09/2019</b>	<b>To period</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>01/07/2019 - 30/09/2019</b>	<b>Detail per account</b>	<b>Subtotal per class</b>	<b>Total per section</b>
<b>From period</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>01/10/2018 - 01/10/2018</b>						
<b>CURRENT LOSS</b>								<b>-7.414,48</b>
<b>Non-recurring income</b>								
<b>Non-recurring charges</b>								
<b>LOSS BEFORE TAXES</b>								<b>-7.414,48</b>
<b>Transfer from deferred taxation</b>								
<b>Transfer to deferred taxation</b>								
<b>Transfer to untaxed reserve</b>								
<b>Transfer from untaxed reserve</b>								
<b>NET LOSS BEFORE TAXES</b>								<b>-7.414,48</b>
<b>Income taxes</b>								
<b>Income taxes</b>								
<b>Adjustment of income taxes and write-back of tax provisions</b>								
<b>NET LOSS AFTER TAXES</b>								<b>-7.414,48</b>

Year	2018-2019	01/10/2018 - 30/09/2019						
From period	00	01/10/2018 - 01/10/2018	To period	04	01/07/2019 - 30/09/2019	Detail per account	Subtotal per class	Total per section
<b>NET LOSS AFTER TAXES</b>								-7.414,48
<b>Profit brought forward</b>								26.987,38
790000	Reported benefits previous exercise					26.987,38		
<b>Loss brought forward</b>								
<b>PROFIT TO BE APPROPRIATED</b>								19.572,90
<b>Transfers from capital and reserves</b>								
From capital and share premium account								
From reserves								
<b>Transfers to capital and reserves</b>								
To capital and share premium account								
To legal reserve								
To other reserves								
<b>Result to be carried forward</b>								-19.572,90
<b>Profit to be carried forward</b>								19.572,90
693000	Benefit to report					19.572,90		
<b>Loss to be carried forward</b>								
<b>Shareholders' contribution in respect of losses</b>								
<b>Distribution of profit</b>								
Dividends								
Directors' emoluments								
Other allocations								

**Final operating Expenditures - Market Advisory Council -Grant Year 2018-2019 - Agreement No: SI2.793723**

CONVENTION PERIOD :	Budget for 1 year (in euros)			
	01/10/2018-30/09/2019	Non-eligible	Eligible	Total budget
<b>A. STAFF (details in annex)</b>				
A1.1. Salaries (including salary related charges)			125.053,56	125.053,56
A1.2. Staff expenses (to specify if any)			-	-
<b>Sub-total A</b>			<b>125.053,56</b>	<b>125.053,56</b>
<b>PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS (details in annex)</b>				
B1.1. Travel costs AC members			34.796,41	34.796,41
B1.2. Subsistence costs AC members			37.709,07	37.709,07
B1.3. Travel costs Staff	-		690,32	690,32
B1.4. Subsistence costs-staff	-		2.369,60	2.369,60
B1.5. Travel costs scientific Experts			350,00	350,00
B1.6. Subsistence costs scientific Experts			92,00	92,00
B1.7. Other costs (to specify if any)			-	-
<b>Sub-total B</b>	-		<b>76.007,40</b>	<b>76.007,40</b>
<b>ATTENTION &amp; PREPARATION OF MEETINGS (details in annex)</b>				
<b>C1. Preparation of meetings</b>				
C1.1. Rental costs (rooms, equipment)			7.513,31	7.513,31
C1.2. Meetings expenses (coffee, lunch...)			20.607,84	20.607,84
<b>Sub-total C1</b>			<b>28.121,15</b>	<b>28.121,15</b>
<b>C2. Information and dissemination costs</b>				
C2.1. Publication costs			-	-
C2.2. Dissemination costs			2.441,14	2.441,14
<b>Sub-total C2</b>			<b>2.441,14</b>	<b>2.441,14</b>
<b>Sub-total C</b>	-		<b>30.562,29</b>	<b>30.562,29</b>
<b>D. OPERATING COSTS (details in annex)</b>				
D1. Rental of office space			6.098,40	6.098,40
<b>D2. Data Processing</b>				
D2.1. Data processing equipment			1.161,80	1.161,80
D2.2. Software			-	-
D2.3. Hardware maintenance			386,79	386,79
<b>Sub-total D2</b>			<b>1.548,39</b>	<b>1.548,39</b>
<b>D3. Overheads</b>				
D3.1. Office equipment			1.742,40	1.742,40
D3.2. Phone/fax/internet			2.119,92	2.119,92
D3.3. Supplies/consumables			1.452,00	1.452,00
D3.4. Mail			1.161,80	1.161,80
D3.5. Other costs (Cleaning, Bank charges, Insurance...)			1.308,30	1.308,30
<b>Sub-total D3</b>	-		<b>7.784,22</b>	<b>7.784,22</b>
<b>Sub-total D</b>	-		<b>15.431,01</b>	<b>15.431,01</b>
<b>INTERPRETATION and TRANSLATION (details in annex)</b>				
<b>E1. Interpretation</b>				
E1.1. Interpreters			21.298,34	21.298,34
E1.2. Travel and subsistence			-	-
E1.3. Technician			-	-
E1.4. Equipment			9.762,73	9.762,73
E1.5. Other (please specify)			-	-
<b>Sub-total E1</b>			<b>31.061,07</b>	<b>31.061,07</b>
<b>E2. Translation</b>				
<b>Sub-total E</b>			<b>6.643,42</b>	<b>6.643,42</b>
<b>Sub-total E</b>			<b>37.704,49</b>	<b>37.704,49</b>
<b>F. OTHER CONTRACTS (details in annex)</b>				
F1. Rapporteur			-	-
F2. Chair (GA and ExCom)			-	-
F3. Chair (Working Groups)			-	-
F4. Audit			2.420,00	2.420,00
F5. Scientific consultants			-	-
F6. Other (Accountability services)			3.680,00	3.680,00
<b>Sub-total F</b>			<b>6.100,00</b>	<b>6.100,00</b>
<b>G. 5% RESERVE OF THE DIRECT ELIGIBLE COSTS FOR UNFORSEEN ITEMS</b>				
				-
<b>H. Deficit of previous years [period]</b>				
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	-		<b>290.858,75</b>	<b>290.858,75</b>

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RESOURCES			Non-eligible	Eligible	Total
<b>1. Budgeted public contribution (€)</b>					
<b>National level</b>					
Financial contribution: member states				6.500,00	6.500,00
Secondment of staff					0,00
<b>Regional level</b>					
Financial contribution					0,00
Secondment of staff					0,00
<b>Local level</b>					
Financial contribution					0,00
Secondment of staff					0,00
<b>Sub-total 1:</b>				6.500,00	6.500,00
<b>2. Commission's contribution applied for</b>			0,00	240.000,00	240.000,00
<b>3. Other resources</b>					
Membership fees:					
	nr.	Amount			
General Assembly	56	200,00		11.200,00	11.200,00
Executive Committee	22	400,00		8.800,00	8.800,00
Working Group members	54	300,00		16.200,00	16.200,00
Contribution of donor [Name]					
Contribution of [Name] to cover deficit of [period]					
<b>Sub-total 2:</b>				36.200,00	36.200,00
<b>GRAND TOTAL (1+2+3)</b>			0,00	282.700,00	282.700,00

(Equal to Grand Total Budget forecast-expenses)

**A. STAFF PLAN**

Contractual period: 12 months

A1. Estimated worktime (FTE) per Activity	A1. Administration and Support Staff					Total	STAFF GRAND TOTAL
	Chairman	Secretary General- Pedro Reis Santos	Fuction Person 1 - Financial Officer - Panos Manias	Fuction Person 2 - Assistant - Jovana Lippens			
Coordination & Administration		0,10	0,00	0,10		0,20	0,20
Transnational networks		0,20	0,00	0,00		0,20	0,20
Mobility		0,20	0,00	0,00		0,20	0,20
Coordination and planning		0,20	0,00	0,00		0,20	0,20
Website		0,00	0,00	0,20		0,20	0,20
Finances		0,00	0,30	0,00		0,30	0,30
Information		0,10	0,00	0,10		0,20	0,20
Other		0,20	0,00	0,00		0,20	0,20
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,00</b>	<b>0,30</b>	<b>0,40</b>		<b>1,70</b>	<b>1,70</b>
Monthly Salary		6.881,88	1.516,82	2.022,43			10.421,13
Convention Period		12,00	12,00	12,00			12,00
Salary and related charges	0,00	82.582,56	18.201,84	24.269,16			125.053,56

A1.2 Other costs	Staff Nbr	Meetings Nbr	Travel	Subsistenc	Subtotal	Total
Training						
Other (Meal Vouchers, Commuting)						0,00
Subtotal						0,00
<b>Total Staff costs</b>						<b>125.053,56</b>

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**B. PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS**

B1.1. & B1.2. Travel and subsistence AC members	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	NUMBER OF REIMBURSEMENTS CLAIMED	Travel	Subsistence (per diem)	NUMBER OF MEETINGS	TOTAL TRAVEL COSTS	TOTAL SUBSISTENCE COSTS	TOTAL
			Cost per participant					
Combined Meetings of the WG1, WG2, WG3, and FG - 18-19 Oct 2019 - Brussels	50	28			4	6.710,18	7.016,89	13.727,07
Focus Group meeting - 21 Nov 2018 - Brussels	9	2			1	456,20	256,40	712,60
Meeting with Commission - 23 Nov 2018 - Brussels	2	2			1	346,28	284,00	630,28
Inter-AC Meeting - 04 Dec 2018 - Brussels	1	1			1	230,09	256,40	486,49
Focus Group meeting - 10 Jan 2019 - Brussels	2	1			1	106,20	192,00	298,20
Management meeting - 15 Jan 2019 - Brussels	7	4			1	705,88	385,20	1.091,08
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	42	36			4	9.076,68	12.281,18	21.357,86
Focus Group meeting - 5 Mar 2019 - Brussels	15	2			1	590,00	256,40	846,40
Focus Group meeting - 26 Mar 2019 - Brussels	10	2			1	456,20	476,00	932,20
Focus Group meeting - 03 Apr 2019 - Brussels	10	4			1	721,57	685,20	1.406,77
Focus Group meeting - 16 Apr 2019 - Brussels	10	3			1	942,44	548,40	1.490,84
Focus Group meeting - 30 Apr 2019 - Brussels	12	3			1	673,20	276,00	949,20
Management meeting - 2 May 2019 - Brussels	5	1			1	72,99	64,40	137,39
Combined Meetings of the ExCom, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 16-17 May 2019 - Brussels	43	25			4	6.580,29	7.021,80	13.612,09
Focus Group meeting - 19 Jun 2019 - Brussels	11	4			1	811,28	568,00	1.379,28
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 02-03 Sep 2019 - Brussels	45	26			4	6.306,93	7.140,80	13.447,73
<b>TOTAL COST</b>						<b>34.796,41</b>	<b>37.709,07</b>	<b>72.505,48</b>

**ELIGIBLE COSTS - STAFF**

B1.3 & B1.4. Travel and subsistence Staff	Staff <name>	Meetings date/Nbr	Travel	Subsistence	Total
Inter-AC meeting - 30 Jan 19 - Vigo	Guus Pastoor	30-Jan-19	270,44	448,40	718,84
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	Sandra Sanmartin	12-13 Feb 19	139,96	640,40	780,36
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	Jessica Demblon	12-13 Feb 19	139,96	640,40	780,36
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	Panagiotis Manias	12-13 Feb 19	139,96	640,40	780,36
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>690,32</b>	<b>2.369,60</b>	<b>3.059,92</b>

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**NON ELIGIBLE (paid by other resources) - STAFF**

B1.3 & B.1.4. Travel and subsistence Staff	Staff <name>	Meeting date/Nbr	Cost
B1.3. Travel costs Staff	Guus Pastoor		
B1.4. Subsistence costs-staff	Guus Pastoor		
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>0,00</b>

**SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS**

B1.5. & B.1.6. Travel and subsistence Experts	Name	Meeting date	Travel	Subsistence	Total
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	Thunen Institute of Sea Fisheries	12-13 Feb 2019	350,00	92,00	442,00
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>350,00</b>	<b>92,00</b>	<b>442,00</b>

**B1.7. Other meeting costs**

<b>Total other costs</b>					

**C. INFORMATION & PREPARATION OF MEETINGS**

**C1. Preparation of meetings**

C1.1 Rental costs	RENTAL COSTS		NUMBER OF MEETINGS	TOTAL
	Rooms	Equipment		
Combined Meetings of the WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 18-19 Oct 2019 - Brussels	792,50		4	3.170,00
Management meeting - 15 Jan 2019 - Brussels	260,15		1	260,15
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	195,77		4	783,06
Focus Group meeting - 5 Mar 2019 - Brussels	192,00		1,00	192,00
Focus Group meeting - 26 Mar 2019 - Brussels	192,00		1,00	192,00
Focus Group meeting - 03 Apr 2019 - Brussels	617,10		1,00	617,10
Combined Meetings of the ExCom, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 16-17 May 2019 - Brussels	287,38		4,00	1.149,50
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 02-03 Sep 2019 - Brussels	287,38		4,00	1.149,50
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>2.824,27</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>20,00</b>	<b>7.513,31</b>

C1.2 Meetings expenses (lunch, coffee,...)	Nbr	Average cost	Total
Combined Meetings of the WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 18-19 Oct 2019 - Brussels	4	2.433,75	9.735,00
Focus Group meeting - 21 Nov 2018 - Brussels	1	18,53	18,53
Meeting with Commission - 23 Nov 2018 - Brussels	1	21,30	21,30
Management meeting - 15 Jan 2019 - Brussels	1	401,30	401,30
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	4	1.132,80	4.531,21
Focus Group meeting - 16 Apr 2019 - Brussels	1	92,50	92,50
Combined Meetings of the ExCom, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 16-17 May 2019 - Brussels	4	798,60	3.194,40
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 02-03 Sep 2019 - Brussels	4	653,40	2.613,60
<b>TOTAL COST</b>			<b>20.607,84</b>

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**C2. Information and Dissemination costs**

C2.1.Information	NUMBER OF UNITS	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Publication of a newsletter			0,00
Announcements in media at national, regional and local level (radio stations, TV, newspapers and magazines)			0,00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>			<b>0,00</b>

C2.2. Dissemination	NUMBER OF UNITS	UNIT COST	TOTAL
Copies / documentation			0,00
Mailing costs / documentation			2.441,14
Maintenance of website			0,00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>			<b>2.441,14</b>

**D. ESTIMATED OPERATING COSTS**

D1. Renting of office space				
Number of m2	Monthly rental per m2	Monthly rent	Duration of contract period	office rental over the contract period
20	25,41	508,20	12	6.088,40

D2.1. Data processing equipment (hardware)			
TYPE OF EQUIPMENT	NOMINAL VALUE	Duration of contract period (months)	TOTAL
Portable computers	0,00	0,00	0,00
Computer	0,00	0,00	0,00
Printers/copy machine/ fax	0,00	0,00	0,00
Establishment of internet-connection + firewall	0,00	0,00	0,00
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0,00</b>

TYPE OF EQUIPMENT	RENTING OR LEASING COSTS (Monthly)	Utilisation for LdV (distribution key)	Duration of contract period (months)	Cost over the contract period
Computer for Secretary General	25,00		12	300,00
Computer for Function Person 1	25,00		12	300,00
Computer for Function Person 2	25,00		12	300,00
Printer & Copy Machine	21,80		12	261,60
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>				<b>1.161,60</b>

D2.2. Software				
NAME OF EXPENDITURE	COSTS	Rate of utilization for project (distribution key)	TOTAL	Non eligible
Purchase of Office suite			0,00	
Software B			0,00	
Software C			0,00	
Software maintenance			0,00	0,00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>			<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>

D2.3. Hardware maintenance			
NAME OF EXPENDITURE	COSTS	Rate of utilization for project (%)	TOTAL
Hardware maintenance	0		386,79
<b>TOTAL COST</b>			<b>386,79</b>

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<b>D3. Overheads</b>				
NAME OF EXPENDITURE	Monthly cost	Utilization for project (distribution key)	Duration of contract period (months)	Cost over the contract period
<b>D3.1.</b>				
Office equipment	145,20		12,00	1.742,40
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1.742,40</b>
<b>D3.2.</b>				
Phone / fax/ mobile phone	121,00		12,00	1.452,00
Internet connection	55,66		12,00	667,92
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2.119,92</b>
<b>D3.3.</b>				
Supplies / consumables	121,00		12,00	1.452,00
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1.452,00</b>
<b>D3.4.</b>				
Mail	96,80		12,00	1.161,60
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1.161,60</b>
<b>D3.5.</b>				
Cleaning	66,55		12,00	798,60
Insurance	0,00		0,00	0,00
Banking costs	509,70		1,00	509,70
Other (to specify)				0,00
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1.308,30</b>
<b>TOTAL COST</b>				<b>7.784,22</b>

<b>E. INTERPRETATION and TRANSLATION</b>					
E1. Interpretation	Fees	Nr of staff	Languages	Nr of meetings	Total
Combined Meetings of the WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 18-19 Oct 2019 - Brussels	317,63	4,00	3,00	4,00	5.082,00
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	341,97	4,00	3,00	4,00	5.471,54
Combined Meetings of the ExCom, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 16-17 May 2019 - Brussels	332,75	4,00	3,00	4,00	5.324,00
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 02-03 Sep 2019 - Brussels	338,80	4,00	3,00	4,00	5.420,80
<b>E1.1. Interpreters Subtotal</b>				<b>8,00</b>	<b>21.298,34</b>
<b>E1.2. Travel and subsistence</b>		<b>0,00</b>		<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>
<b>E1.3. Technician staff</b>		<b>0,00</b>		<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>
<b>E1.4. Equipment</b>					
Combined Meetings of the WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 18-19 Oct 2019 - Brussels	1.101,25	1,00		4,00	4.405,00
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 12-13 Feb 2019 - Bilbao	1.096,68	1,00		4,00	4.386,70
Combined Meetings of the ExCom, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 16-17 May 2019 - Brussels	180,75	1,00		4,00	722,98
Combined Meetings of the GA, WG1, WG2 and WG3 - 02-03 Sep 2019 - Brussels	62,01	1,00		4,00	248,05
<b>E1.4. Interpreters Subtotal</b>				<b>8,00</b>	<b>9.762,73</b>
<b>E.1.5. Others (cabin costs)</b>		<b>0,00</b>		<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>
				<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>31.061,07</b>
<b>E2 Translation</b>	<b>nr of pages</b>	<b>cost per page</b>	<b>languages</b>	<b>Nr of meetings</b>	<b>Total</b>
	132,87	50,00		1,00	6.643,42
				<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>6.643,42</b>
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>					<b>37.704,49</b>



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<b>F. OTHER CONTRACTS</b>				
<b>SERVICE</b>	<b>Tasks</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Cost per unit</b>	<b>Total</b>
F.1. Rapporteur	Report meetings			
	Travel expenses			
	<b>Sub total F.1.</b>			
F.2. Chair (GA and ExeCom)	prepare position papers; prepare			
	Travel expenses			
	<b>Sub total F.2.</b>			<b>0,00</b>
F.3. Chair (Working Groups)	Prepare and chair meetings;			
	Travel expenses			
	<b>Sub total F.3.</b>			<b>0,00</b>
F.4. Audit	External audit	1,00	2.420,00	<b>2.420,00</b>
F.5. Scientific consultants	Scientific consultants	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
F.6. Other (to specify)	Accountancy services	1,00	3.680,00	3.680,00
	Secretariat Services			0,00
	<b>Sub total F.3.</b>			<b>3.680,00</b>
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>				<b>6.100,00</b>