



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERSHIP OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

New members:

- **Asociatia pentru Promovarea Alimentului Romanesc (APAR) (Romania):** Approved by ExCom through urgent request (27 April 2020)

New applications:

- **ClientEarth (Belgium):** Endorsement request to national authorities (27 May 2020)

Membership total:

- **58 members from 11 Member States** (BE, DK, FR, DE, IE, IT, NL, PL, ES, SE, RO)

MID-TERM (PROGRESS) REPORT (YEAR 4)

- **Submission date:** 16 April 2020
- **Under the Work Programme for Year 4, MAC priorities and deliverables cover the following topics:**
 - (1) Future Funding Priorities for EMFF
 - (2) Revision of Control Regulation
 - (3) Certification Schemes
 - (4) Trade Agreement
 - (5) Level Playing Field
 - (6) IUU Regulation
 - (7) Plastics
 - (8) Brexit and implications for the market
 - (9) Landing obligation and implications for the market
 - (10) Collaboration with STECF
 - (11) Other work

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(1) Future Funding Priorities for EMFF

- As soon as tangible outcomes from inter-institutional negotiations become available
 - Discussed in WG. Inter-institutional negotiations still in early stages.

(2) Revision of Control Regulation

- As soon as tangible outcomes from inter-institutional negotiations become available
 - Discussed in WG. Inter-institutional negotiations still in early stages.

(3) Certification Schemes

- Advice on the potential need to update current legislation in respect of certification schemes in February 2020 – April 2020
 - Workshop ToR adopted (March 2020)
 - Event postponed due to COVID-19

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(4) Trade Agreements

- Contributions to public consultations and ad hoc advices
 - Discussed in WG. Advice on ACP countries roadmap (21 November 2019)

(5) Level Playing Field

- February 2020 – April 2020
 - Adopted under Year 4 (September 2019). Possibility of follow-up to Commission's reply (March 2020)

(6) IUU Regulation

- Advice to be produced in the second half of Year 4
 - Discussed in WG.

(7) Plastics

- Advice to be produced in the second half of Year 4
 - Workshop organised with NWWAC (November 2019)
 - Possible advice with other ACs

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(8) Brexit

- Advice to be produced in the second half of Year 4

(9) Landing Obligation

- Advice to be produced in the second half of Year 4
 - Discussed in WG. Reply to Commission's request on 2019 implementation (April 2020)

(10) Collaboration with STECF

- Bilateral discussion between WG1 Chair and STECF focal points (May 2020)

(11) Other Work

- State Aid Framework, Scientific Denominations, PCBs in fish oil, EMFF funding for scientific projects, cadmium in brown crab

FUTURE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO ACS

DG MARE Letter: 23 April 2020

Amount available for each AC taking into account each individual financial needs

Advisory Council	Theoretical amount to be granted (1)	Already granted or under-going (2)	Available for a complementary commitment before the end of 2020 (3)
Aquaculture AC	250.000		
Baltic Sea AC	300.000	300.000	0
Black Sea AC	200.000	183.228,80	16.771,20
CC RUP	270.000	260.443,80	9.556,20
Long Distance AC	350.000	300.000	50.000
Market AC	270.000		
MEDAC	385.000	300.000	85.000
North Sea AC	300.000		
North Western Waters AC	330.000		
Pelagics AC	310.000		
South Western Waters AC	335.000	300.000	35.000

FUTURE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO ACS

DG MARE's Methodology

90%:

- Average amount spent between 2016 and 2018
- Number of General Assembly members

10%:

- Number of languages interpreted and translated
- Distance between the AC seat and Brussels

MAC Letter of Opposition: Adopted by Executive Committee through urgent email request (6 May 2020)

H2020 PROJECT: TRACTION

- **Invitation to join External Advisory Board:** 31 March 2020 (ANFACO-CECOPESCA)
- **H2020 Call:** Micro- and nano-plastics in our environment: Understanding exposures and impacts on human health
- **Project Coordinator:** Galician Health Care Service (Spain)
- **Aim:** Compile a precise map of the distribution of micro and nanoplastics in living organisms to assess the related risk on humans and inform legislation on human health hazard.
- **MAC Letter of Commitment:** Adopted by Executive Committee through urgent email request (22 April 2020)
- **MAC Representative:** Benoît Thomassen, Chair of Working Group 3

EFCA

- **EFCA Advisory Board:** advises the Executive Director of the Agency and ensures close cooperation with stakeholders. The Advisory Board is composed of representatives of the Advisory Councils, on the basis of one representative designated by each Advisory Council.
- **EFCA Terms of Reference:** address ways in which relationship between the ACs and EFCA could be improved (1 June, but can be extended)
 - How can the Advisory Board better advise EFCA?
 - How can EFCA contribute to receiving more and better data and information outside of the 2 annual meetings?
 - How to ensure that all sectors are well represented?
 - How can EFCA be more useful to ACs?
 - How can EFCA be better addressed when it comes to control or technical issues?