



WORKING GROUP 1 – EU PRODUCTION

Sean O'Donoghue
Chair

Online (Zoom)
Monday, 31 May 2021

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Sean O'Donoghue
- 14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (31.03.21)
- 14:10 Action points of the last meeting
- 14:15 Marketing Standards
- 15:15 Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet
- 16:00 COVID-19 Pandemic
- 16:15 EMFAF
- 16:55 Joint MAC/NWWAC/NSAC Focus Group on Brown Crab
- 17:05 AOB
- 17:10 Summary of actions points
- 17:15 End of the meeting

ACTION POINTS (31 MARCH 2021)

COVID-19 Pandemic:

- Topic to be included on the draft agenda of the next meeting, in order to continue monitoring developments
- Secretariat to arrange a bilateral meeting with MARE D3 on the requirements of the new EMFAF emergency mechanism
- Secretariat to circulate EUMOFA monitoring report
 - Agenda item included
 - Request for bilateral meeting sent (9 April), but MARE D3 unavailable.
 - EUMOFA monitoring report circulated (9 April)

Marketing Standards:

- Topic to be included on the draft agenda of the next meeting with more allocated time
- Secretariat to circulate the STECF report, once publicly available
 - Agenda item included (1 hour)
 - STECF report circulated (21 April)
 - Agenda item included

ACTION POINTS (31 MARCH 2021)

Biodiversity Strategy:

- Draft advice to be put forward to the Executive Committee for consideration at the 14 April 2021 meeting
 - Advice considered and adopted by the Executive Committee (14 April)

Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet:

- Topic to be included on the draft agenda of the next meeting, in order to discuss specific data issues, such as Brexit and COVID-19 pandemic
 - Agenda item included

Joint MAC/NWWAC/NSAC Focus Group on Brown Crab:

- Continuous updates on the next meetings
 - Agenda item with an update scheduled

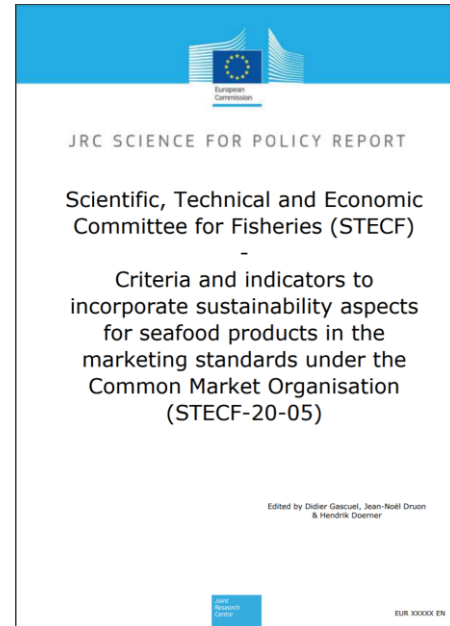
MARKETING STANDARDS

➤ Discussion on STECF report on incorporating sustainability aspects

- Didier Gascuel, STECF EWG Chair
- Report circulated on 21 April

➤ Roadmap to producing recommendations for future advice

➤ Way forward



MARKETING STANDARDS INCORPORATING SUSTAINABILITY ASPECTS

Starting Point

➤ Sustainability Aspect of CFP

Article 2.1 1380/2013

- The CFP shall ensure that fishing and aquaculture activities are environmentally sustainable in the long-term and **are managed in a way that is consistent with the objectives of achieving economic, social and employment benefits, and of contributing to the availability of food supplies.**

MARKETING STANDARDS – STECF REPORT

➤ Conclusions

- Sustainability aspects covered environmental and social
- Information on social aspects limited
- Scoring system fundamentally different existing arrangements
- Scoring System clearly associated with category system
- Sustainability aspects along value chain not considered
- System complementary existing certification and labels
- Substantial work to develop an operational system
- Relative scoring system
- Relationship system 1 & system 2 not fully developed

MARKETING STANDARDS – STECF REPORT

- **Two combined scoring systems**
 - **System 1 (E to B)** – Simple indicators for data-limited products (existing data)
 - **System 2 (E to A+)** – Key additional data allowing a more reliable assessment

ANNUAL ECONOMIC REPORT ON THE EU FISHING FLEET

- **Exchange of views on data issues relating to nowcasting**
 - COVID-19 Pandemic + EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement
 - Raúl Pallezo, Principal Researcher, AZTI
- **Attendance of 7-11 June 2021 STECF EWG meeting as observer**
 - WG1 Chair + Secretary General registered
- **Way forward**

COVID-19 PANDEMIC

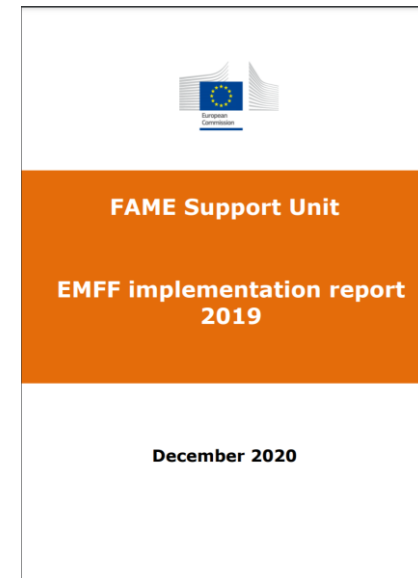
➤ Update on market developments

- European Maritime Day (21 May) – EUMOFA Talk: “COVID-19 and seafood: impact and way forward”

➤ Exchange of views

EMFAF

- **Presentation of 2019 EMFF implementation**
 - Angelos Sanopoulos, FAME Support Unit
- **Update on 2021-2027 EMFAF legislative developments**
 - Vincent Guerre, Policy Officer, MARE D3 (CFP)
- **Exchange of views on crisis management scheme**



EMFAF

➤ Exchange of views on crisis management scheme

- EMFAF Regulation will include specific crisis management scheme
 - Exceptional event that generates significant disruption of the markets
 - Triggered by Commission decision recognising occurrence of exceptional event
- Two types of financial compensation:
 - Operators – income foregone + additional costs
 - Producer Organisations – for activation of CMO storage mechanism
- COVID-19 pandemic could be considered “exceptional event”
 - COM continuously monitors markets situation based on available data
 - In case of clear evidence of “significant disruption”, COM considers relevant actions
 - COM welcomes any market intelligence from MAC and its members

JOINT MAC/NWWAC/NSAC FOCUS GROUP ON BROWN CRAB

- **Update on the Focus Group's work**
 - Norah Parke, FG Chair

AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

- **AOB**
- **Summary of action points**
- **End of meeting**