

Working Group 2: EU Markets

Draft Agenda

Tuesday, 25 January 2022 (14:30 – 18:00 CET)

Zoom (Online)

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

14:30 Welcome from the Chair, Pierre Commère

14:35 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (20.09.21)

14:40 Action points

- State-of-play of the action points of the last meeting - information

14:45 Sustainable Corporate Governance

- Presentation of legislative proposal by Commission representative (TBC)
- Exchange of views & way forward

15:00 European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)

- Presentation of "The EU Fish Market" (2021 edition) by Commission representative (TBD)
- Exchange of views

15:40 EU Market Supply

- Presentation of AIPCE-CEP's Finfish Study 2021
- Exchange of views

16:10 Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments

- Update on latest trade developments by Commission representative (TBC), including on:
 - WTO negotiations on fisheries subsidies
 - Revision of GSP Regulation
 - EU-Ukraine Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement
- Presentation of report of Initial Focus Group on Trade by Poul Melgaard Jensen, FG Chair
- Exchange of views & way forward

16:40 Break

16:50 Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs)

- Presentation of evaluation report by Commission representative (TBC)
- Exchange of views & way forward



17:20 Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing & Global Governance

- Proposal of collaboration concerning entry of IUU products in Outermost Regions by Daniela Costa, CCRUP Secretary General
- Exchange of views & way forward

17:40 Technologies for the Transmission of Data in the Supply Chain

- Reporting on joint MAC/NSAC/NWWAC webinar on blockchain and other new technologies for the transmission of traceability information and other data in the seafood supply chain (2 December 2021) by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General
- Exchange of views & way forward

17:50 AOB

17:55 Summary of action items

18:00 End of meeting

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Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Decision	Sustainable Corporate Governance	In the context of F2F Strategy, this initiative aims to ensure that sustainability is further embedded into the corporate governance framework to better align long-term interests of management, shareholders, stakeholders and society. It would help companies to better manage sustainability-related matters in their own operations and value chains as regards social and human rights, climate change, environment, etc. Feedback period of the Roadmap was from 30 July 2020 to 8 October 2020. Feedback period of the Public Consultation was from 26 October 2020 to 8 February 2021. Adoption of the legislative proposal is planned for Q4 2021. Under the WP of Y6, MAC committed to producing advice.	Presentation and exchange with COM representative (DG JUST) for better understanding of the initiative by members. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice, monitor developments, none).	- Better Regulation page
Information	EUMOFA	It is established practice for COM to present the annual edition of “The EU Fish Market” report. The report aims at providing an economic description of the whole European fisheries and aquaculture industry. It replies to questions such as what is produced / exported / imported, when and where, what is consumed, by whom and what are the main trends.	Presentation and exchange with COM representative (DG MARE) for better understanding of the report by members.	- Report
Information	EU Market Supply	AIPCE-CEP annually publishes the Finfish Study with the aim of demonstrating the need for imported seafood in production of added value seafood within Europe. The data in the study focuses on the volume aspect of trade and not value.	Presentation and exchange with AIPCE-CEP representative(s) for better informed discussions on market supply.	- Report

Decision	Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments	It is established practice for COM to update on the latest trade policy developments affecting the seafood market. Under the WP of Y6, MAC committed to producing advice on an ad hoc basis when relevant developments in trade negotiations become publicly known. In January 2021, WG2 established an Initial FG on Trade to collect data on imports in the frame of various trade policy instruments and to contribute with factual information to the development of an advice on trade policy instruments. FG concluded its report.	Presentation and exchange with COM representative (DG MARE). For trade update, decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice, monitor developments, none). Presentation of the report of the Initial Focus Group on Trade. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice based on report, additional exchanges, additional reports, none).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better Regulation page (GSP revision) - WTO Negotiations
Decision	SFPAs	COM launched an evaluation exercise to provide DG MARE with a thorough assessment, including features, content, implementation, results, impacts and support for future improvement. Feedback period of the Roadmap was from 28 January 2021 to 25 February 2021. Feedback period of the Public Consultation was from 31 March 2021 to 23 June 2021. DG MARE contracted an external consultant to produce a report. On 9 March 2021, advice was adopted. Under WP of Y6, MAC committed to produce advice on the evaluation report and Staff Working Document.	Presentation and exchange with COM representative (DG MARE) on the results of evaluation report. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of new advice, monitor developments, none).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better Regulation page - Advice
Decision	IUU	Under WP of Y6, commitment to produce advice on an <i>ad hoc</i> basis when significant cases of IUU fishing products entering the EU market are known or when actions take place under COM's carding system. CCRUP members expressed interest in the development of joint advice concerning the entry of IUU products in the Outermost Regions.	Presentation and exchange with CCRUP Secretary General. Decision on way forward (e.g., participation in drafting, endorsement of CCRUP advice, none).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CCRUP Website

Decision	Technologies for Transmission of Data	Under WP of Y6, commitment to co-organise a webinar on blockchain and other new technologies for the transmission of traceability information and other data. Commitment to produce webinar report to serve as a basis for potential adoption of advice. WG2 agreed on Terms of Reference. Webinar took place on 2 December 2021. Report published one month later.	Reporting on webinar by Secretary General. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice, drafting of joint advice, none).	- Webinar page
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