

Executive Committee

Draft Agenda

Tuesday, 24 May 2022 (13:30 – 16:45 CEST)

Zoom / Martin's Brussels EU Hotel (Hybrid)

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

12:30 *Buffet Lunch*

13:30 **Welcome from the Chair, Guus Pastoor**

13:35 **Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (29.03.22)**

13:40 **Action points**

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

13:45 **Farm to Fork Strategy**

- Exchange of views on initiatives with an impact on the market of fishery and aquaculture products with MEP Pierre Karleskind, Chair of Committee on Fisheries, European Parliament (TBC)

14:30 **Working Groups**

- Reporting by Sean O'Donoghue, Chair of Working Group 1
- Reporting by Pierre Commère, Chair of Working Group 2
- Reporting by Benoît Thomassen, Chair of Working Group 3

15:00 *Break*

15:15 **Performance Review**

- Exchange of views on conclusions and recommendations of the report
- Way forward

15:45 **Work Programme of Year 6 (2021-2022)**

- Update on the accounts by Panos Manias, Financial Officer

16:00 **Organisation of Meetings**

- Exchange of views on preferred method of organisation of meetings
- Way forward



16:15 Inter-Advisory Councils' Coordination

- Reporting back by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General, on the following meetings:
 - Inter-Advisory Councils (29 April 2022)
 - Inter-AC Brexit Forum (5 May 2022)
 - Inter-Secretariats (12 May 2022)
 - MAC-LDAC Management Teams meeting (TBD)
- Preparation for UN Ocean Conference (27 June – 1 July 2022)

16:30 European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA)

- Reporting back on Advisory Board (4 April 2022) by Daniel Voces, MAC Representative
- Way forward

16:35 AOB

16:40 Summary of action items

16:45 [End of meeting](#)

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Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	Farm to Fork Strategy	Under the European Green Deal and the Farm to Fork Strategy, there are several initiatives with an impact on the market, particularly on information to consumers (e.g., marketing standards framework, sustainable food system framework, food information to consumers, animal welfare, substantiating green claims, EU taxonomy screening, minimum requirements for sustainability labels and logos).	Exchange of views with Chair of the Committee on Fisheries of the European Parliament.	- Work Programme
Information	Working Groups	Under the structure of the MAC, there are three Working Groups with different areas of responsibility.	Reporting by each Chair on the work of the Working Groups.	
Decision	Performance Review	COM encouraged ACs to undertake external reviews of performance as a good practice. Under the revised delegated act on the functioning of the ACs, the periodical undertaking of reviews is mandatory. ExCom agreed to the Terms of Reference. The final report was presented by the external consultant at the 29 March 2022 meeting. ExCom agreed, as an action item, that the Secretariat would prepare a paper summarising the conclusions and recommendations of the report, in order to prepare for a discussion on potential actions. It was also agreed that a discussion on a contingency plan, in case of unavailability of the Secretary General would also be scheduled.	Exchange on conclusions and recommendations of the report. Decision on potential actions to implement these.	- Final Report
Information	Work Programme of Year 6	As determined by the Rules of Procedure, an annual work programme and annual budget are prepared by ExCom and approved by GA.	Update on accounts.	- Work Programme

Decision	Organisation of Meetings	In the context of the change to a lump-sum approach in the co-financing of operating grants, COM encouraged ACs to organise their meetings in a hybrid setting, plus to reduce travel and meeting costs by 20%. At the March 2022 meeting, it was agreed, as an action item, an exchange on the preferred method of organisation of meetings should take place.	Exchange and potential decision on preferred method of organisation of meetings (i.e., in person, online, hybrid)	
Information & Decision	Inter-Advisory Councils' Coordination	On 29 April 2022, DG MARE organised a coordination meeting with the Chairs and Secretariats. MAC, PELAC, LDAC, NWWAC, and NSAC established the Inter-AC Brexit Forum to exchange on Brexit-related topics. At the March 2022 meeting, it was agreed, as an action item, that the Management Team would request a meeting with the LDAC's Management Team to discuss competence and cooperation on topics of common interest. In line with other ACs, Secretariat requested special accreditation to attend the 2022 UN Ocean Conference.	Reporting back by Secretary General on coordination meetings, particularly on topics of common interest.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inter-AC Agenda - Brexit Forum Agenda - Secretariats Agenda - UN Ocean Conference
Information	EFCA	EFCA's Advisory Board advises the Executive Director and ensures close cooperation with stakeholders. The Advisory Board is composed of one representative per AC. MAC Representative is Daniel Voces (Europêche).	Update on implementation of priorities and deliverables of WP. Update on accounts.	- Conclusions