

General Assembly

Draft Agenda

Wednesday, 20 September 2023 (13:30 – 15:15 CET)

Copa Cogeca (Meeting Room A), Rue de Trèves 61, 1040 Brussels

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

Lunch

13:30 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez

13:35 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (27.01.23)

13:40 European Green Deal in relation to the Common Fisheries Policy and Markets

- Keynote speech by Delilah Al Khudhairy, Director, MARE A
- Exchange of views

14:15 Work Programme of Year 8 (2023-2024)

- Presentation of priorities and deliverables by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General
- Presentation of budget by Dawlat Bik, Finance Officer
- Approval of the work programme and annual budget

14:45 Work Programme of Year 7 (2022-2023)

- Update on priorities and deliverables by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General
- Update on the accounts by Dawlat Bik, Finance Officer

15:00 Statutes

- Approval of modifications to the Statutes, in accordance with the Code of Companies and Associations of Belgium

15:10 AOB

15:15 End of meeting

Coffee break



Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	European Green Deal	In December 2019, the Commission published the European Green Deal, which includes the Farm to Fork Strategy. Several initiatives have direct and indirect relevance for the EU market of fisheries and aquaculture products and are covered in the work programmes of Year 7 and Year 8.	Exchange of views with the Director of MARE A.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COM Communication - COM Communication - Background Document - Work Programme
Decision	Work Programme of Year 8	The operational year of the MAC corresponds to 1 October to 30 September. In line with the Rules of Procedure, the Executive Committee shall prepare the strategic plan and the budget for the next operational year. In line with the applicable financial rules, the draft must be submitted to DG MARE two months before the start of the new operational year. In line with the Rules of Procedure, the General Assembly shall approve the Work Programme and budget. Following the change to a lump-sum approach by DG MARE, 50% of the work programme's deliverables must be met to receive the full annual grant.	Presentation of the draft work programme and draft budget. Formal approval of the work programme and of the draft budget of the upcoming operational year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Work Programme (via email / Members Area) - Draft budget (via email / Members Area)
Information	Work Programme of Year 7	The current operational year will conclude on 30 September 2023. Until up to two months after the end of the year, the Secretariat will have to submit a final report to the European Commission explaining the implementation of the work programme and of the budget.	Update on the implementation of the priorities and deliverables of the current operational year. Update on the accounts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work Programme
Decision	Statutes	The MAC has legal existence in Belgium. Due to a legislative revision of the Code of Companies and Associations of Belgium, the Statutes must be updated.	Approval of the update to the Statutes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Statutes - Draft Statutes (via email / Members Area)