

Working Group 3: EU control and sanitary issues, consumer rules

Draft Agenda

Wednesday, 18 September 2024 (09:00 – 12:30 CET)

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

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

09:00 Welcome from the Chair, Benoît Thomassen

09:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (05.06.24)

09:10 Action points

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

09:15 Food Security

- Presentation of the European Parliament's study "Workshop on the European Green Deal – Challenges and opportunities for EU fisheries and aquaculture – Part III: Food security aspects" by Rod Cappell (Poseidon Aquatic Resource Management)
- Exchange of views

10:00 Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation

- Presentation on the impacts of the package reuse targets for the EU fisheries, aquaculture, and fish processing industries by Lea Salihovic (EUMEPS)
- Exchange of views
- Way forward

10:45 Break

11:00 Horizon Europe

- Presentation on the project "Mr. Goodfish 3.0: Empowering Sustainable Seafood Choices" by Clara Boissenin (ECSITE) and H el ene Buisson (Nausicaa)
- Exchange of views

11:45 Consumer Information

- Update on the work of the joint MAC/AAC Focus Group on Consumer Information in the HoReCa Sector by Brian Thomsen, Chair of the Focus Group
- Consideration of draft advice on consumer information on fishery and aquaculture products, particularly in the context of the HoReCa sector
- Way forward



12:20 AOB

12:25 Summary of action items

12:30 End of meeting

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Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	Food Security	In 2023, the European Parliament's PECH Committee commissioned a study exploring how initiatives within the European Green Deal may impact food security in fisheries and aquaculture.	Presentation of the study on food security by one of the study's authors.	- Study
Information + Decision	Packaging and Packaging Waste	On 18 July 2024, the MAC received a letter from EUMEPS on the impacts of the reuse targets under the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation on the European fishing and fish processing industry. Under the Regulation, there will be obligations on reuse targets, the establishment of a collaborative system for reuse, responsibility for collection, and a traceability system.	Presentation on the expected impacts by an EUMEPS representative. Decision on way forward (e.g., none, monitoring developments, drafting advice).	- EUMEPS Letter - Legislative Observatory
Information	Horizon Europe (Mr. Goodfish 3.0)	Mr Goodfish 3.0 is a Horizon Europe project to empower sustainable fisheries choices, building up on a campaign launched in 2010 to develop an app with seasonal recommendations and recipes. In a previous occasion, the MAC agreed to enter into contact with the projects Mr Goodfish 3.0 and Verifish due to the relevance for the development of sustainability criteria for fishery and aquaculture products.	Presentation of the Horizon Europe project "Mr Goodfish 3.0" by a member of the consortium.	- Information
Information	Consumer Information	Following a proposal from the Aquaculture Advisory Council, a Joint Focus Group on Consumer Information in the HoReCa Sector was established. Terms of Reference were agreed on 2 February 2024. The Focus Group met on 22 February, 28 May, and 2 September 2024. The aim would be for the recommendation to be adopted by the end of October 2024. At the 5 June 2024 meeting, the Secretary General provided an update on the work of the Focus Group.	Update on the work of the Focus Group by the Chair of the Focus Group. If available, consideration of draft advice on consumer information.	- Terms of Reference - Draft Advice (Via Email / Members Area)