

Executive Committee

Draft Agenda

Thursday, 30 January 2025 (15:45 – 17:00 CET)

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

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

15:45 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez

15:50 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (18.09.24)

15:55 Action points

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

16:00 Membership of the General Assembly

- Presentation of new member Feedback EU by Yves Reichling (Feedback EU)
- Endorsement of applications for membership:
 - Safe Food Advocacy Europe (SAFE)
 - Global Dialogue on Seafood Traceability (GDST)

16:05 Working Groups

- Reporting by Julien Lamothe, Chair of Working Group 1
- Reporting by Pierre Commère, Chair of Working Group 2
- Reporting by Benoît Thomassen, Chair of Working Group 3

16:20 European Parliament

• Reporting back on the joint event with the Aquaculture Advisory Council and the North Sea Advisory Council to raise awareness about the role of the Advisory Councils under the Common Fisheries Policy by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

16:30 External Representation

- Reporting back on the following meetings:
 - Inter-AC Brexit Forum (19 September 2024) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
 - Inter-AC Meeting with DG MARE (4 October 2024) by Yobana Bermúdez (Chair), Julien Lamothe (Vice-Chair), and Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
 - o EU Agri-Food Chain Observatory (15 October 2024) by Yobana Bermúdez (Chair)
 - Advisory Board of the European Fisheries Control Agency (15 October 2024) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
 - External Advisory Board of VeriFish project (28 November 2024) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)





- Roundtable discussion on 2025 fishing opportunities (3 December 2024) by Yobana Bermúdez (Chair) and Christine Absil (Vice-Chair)
- Inter-AC Secretariats coordination meeting (22 January 2025) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
- 16:50 AOB
- **16:55** Summary of action points
- 17:00 End of meeting





Annotated Version

Туре	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	Membership	As foreseen by the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation,	Presentation of the most recent	- Membership
		the MAC is composed of representatives of the entire	member organisation by their	- <u>Feedback EU</u>
		fisheries and aquaculture value chain (primary	representative. Decision on the	- <u>SAFE</u>
		producers, processors, traders, retailers, trade unions)	endorsement of recent	- <u>GDST</u>
		and other interest groups (environmental and	membership applications.	
		development NGOs). Recently, Feedback EU was		
		endorsed as a new member.		
Information	Working Groups	Under the structure of the MAC, there are three	Reporting by each Chair on the	
		Working Groups with different areas of responsibility.	work of the Working Groups.	
Information	European Parliament	Following the 2024 European elections, a new	Reporting back on the event by	- PECH Committee
		European Parliament, including Committee on	the Secretary General.	- <u>Event</u>
		Fisheries, has been established. The MAC together with		
		the Aquaculture Advisory Council, and the North Sea		
		Advisory Council organised an event in the European		
		Parliament to raise awareness about the role of the		
		Advisory Councils under the Common Fisheries Policy.		
Information	External	On 19 September 2024, the MAC organised a meeting	Reporting back by the various	- Inter-AC Brexit Forum
	representation	of the Inter-AC Brexit Forum. On 4 October 2024, DG	representatives on the external	- Inter-AC Meeting
		MARE organised an Inter-AC meeting with the 11	meetings.	- <u>EU AFCO</u>
		Advisory Councils. On 15 October 2024, the MAC Chair		- EFCA Advisory Board
		attended, as an observer, a meeting of the EU Agri-Food		- <u>VeriFish</u>
		Chain Observatory. On the same day, the Secretary		- Roundtable meeting
		General attended a meeting of the Advisory Board of		
		the European Fisheries Control Agency. On 28		
		November 2024, the Secretary General attended a		
		meeting of the External Advisory Board of the VeriFish		
		project. On 3 December 2024, the Commissioner for		



	Fisheries and Oceans and the Director-General of DG	
	MARE held a roundtable meeting with the Chairs and	
	Other Interest Groups Vice-Chairs of the Advisory	
	Councils.	