

Working Group 2: EU Markets

Draft Agenda

Thursday, 27 March 2025 (14:00 – 17:30 CET)

Zoom

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Pierre Commère

14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (29.01.25)

14:10 Action points

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

14:15 Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments

- Presentation on the regulation on certain measures for the purpose of the conservation of fish stocks in relation to countries allowing non-sustainable fishing by Commission representatives (MARE C5)
- Exchange of views
- Way forward

14:45 Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing

- Presentation of findings on the implementation of EU import control measures in 2020-23 by Julien Daudu (EJF)
- Consideration of draft advice on harmonisation of import controls across Member States to prevent the entrance of IUU fishing products into the EU market
- Way forward

15:45 Break

16:00 Due Diligence

- Presentation on initiatives for due diligence in the fisheries and aquaculture supply chain by Carmen Gonzalez-Valles Martinez and Mercedes Mendoza (Sustainable Fisheries Partnership)
- Exchange of views
- Way forward

16:45 Outermost Regions

- Consideration of draft advice on the fight against IUU fishing in the Outermost Regions
- Way forward















17:20 AOB

17:25 Summary of action items

17:30 End of meeting

















Annotated Version

| Туре | Item | Background | Purpose | Documents |
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| Information + Decision | Trade | Last year, the European Commission published a legislative proposal to amend the Regulation (EU) 1026/2012 on certain measures for the purpose of the conservation of fish stocks in relation to countries allowing non-sustainable fishing. From a trade perspective, the regulation foresees the possibility of banning products from the EU market. | Presentation by DG MARE of the legislative proposal. Decision on way forward (e.g., monitoring developments, drafting of advice, none). | - Legislative Observatory |
| Information + Consideration | IUU | EJF undertook a review of the implementation of the EU import control measures from 2020 to 2023. EJF submitted a proposal to the MAC and to the Long Distance Advisory Council of draft advice on the harmonisation of import controls across Member States to prevent the entrance of IUU fishing products into the EU market. | Presentation by EJF of their findings on the EU import control measures. Consideration of draft advice. | - Draft Advice (Via Email / Members Area) |
| Information + Decision | Due Diligence | Following the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, by 2027, a first batch of companies will be obliged to conduct environmental and human rights due diligence. In previous opportunities, the Working Group discussed the relevance of developing advice on the matter and submitted a letter to the European Commission about the implementation of the directive in the fisheries and aquaculture sector. The Sustainable Fisheries Partnership offered to present their initiatives for due diligence in the fisheries and aquaculture supply chain. | Presentation by Sustainable Fisheries Partnership representative of initiatives on due diligence. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice) | - Sustainable Fisheries Partnership - Letter |
| Consideration | Outermost Regions | In the past, the MAC and the Outermost Regions Advisory Council (CCRUP) agreed to work together on | | - <u>Report</u> |



| | the entrance of Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated | products | in | the | Outermost | - Draft Advice (Via Email |
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| | fishing products into the market of the Outermost | Regions. | | | | / Members Area) |
| | Regions. At the 29 January 2025 meeting, there was a | | | | | |
| | presentation of a report by CRPMEM-Guyane, WWF, | | | | | |
| | and IFREMER estimating the quantity of illegal fishing | | | | | |
| | by third countries in the waters of French Guyana. | | | | | |