



WORKING GROUP 1 – EU PRODUCTION

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Chair

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

Wednesday, 29 January 2025

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 10:00 Welcome from the Chair, Julien Lamothe
 - 10:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (17.09.24)
 - 10:10 Action points of the last meeting
 - 10:15 Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet
 - 11:00 European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)
 - 11:30 **Break**
 - 11:45 Sustainability Criteria for Fishery and Aquaculture Products
 - 12:30 Common Market Organisation
 - 13:00 Producer Organisations
 - 13:20 AOB
 - 13:25 Summary of actions points
- 13:30 End of the meeting*

ACTION POINTS (17 SEPTEMBER 2024)

Fishers of the Future:

- Members to express their interest, via email communication to the Secretariat, in representing the Advisory Council at the workshop of 20 September 2024
- Members to provide their views, via email communication to the Secretariat, on the fishers' profiles, so that the selected representatives can express them at the workshop
 - Feedback received from OPP Burela and EAPO
 - MAC represented by the Secretary General at the workshop of 20 September 2024

Landing Obligation:

- Draft advice on “study supporting the evaluation of the Landing Obligation” to be put forward to the Executive Committee for consideration and potential adoption.
 - Advice adopted on 19 September 2024
 - Letter of reply from DG MARE on 29 October 2024

ACTION POINTS (17 SEPTEMBER 2024)

Sustainability Criteria for Fishery and Aquaculture Products:

- Prior to the 18 September 2024 meeting of the Executive Committee, PACT'ALIM to submit their additional position on section 5 of the draft advice to the Secretariat
- Draft advice on “development of fishery sustainability indicators by STECF” to be put forward to the Executive Committee for consideration and potential adoption
- Following a written consultation of the Executive Committee, a new questionnaire was circulated to Working Group 1 from 30 October to 13 November 2024
- Updated draft advice circulated on 2 December 2024

Producer Organisations:

- Secretary General to contact the other Advisory Councils about the potential interest in co-organising the workshop on Producer Organisations
- Workshop co-organised with the South Western Waters Advisory Council (28 January 2025)

ANNUAL ECONOMIC REPORT ON THE EU FISHING FLEET

➤ Presentation of the 2024 edition

- Raúl Pallezo (STECF EWG Chair)

➤ Exchange of views

- MAC Advice (31 January 2024)
 - Alignment between economic advice & scientific advice on stocks
 - Quality and relevance of the data collection on social variables
 - Special chapters: Brexit + social issues
 - Fishing vessels below 12 meters that are not part of the small-scale coastal fleet segment

➤ Way forward

- Circulation of questionnaire to prepare advice on the Terms of Reference of 2025 edition



EUROPEAN MARKET OBSERVATORY FOR FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE (EUMOFA)

➤ Overview of 2025 Work Programme

- EUMOFA Expert
- Laurène Jolly (MARE A4)

➤ Exchange of views

- MAC Advice (5 June 2024)
 - Price Structure Analyses: Saithe (FR, DK, DE) & Mussels (IT, FR, ES)
 - Thematic Analyses & EUMOFA Talks: Consumer's interest in sustainability

➤ Way forward

- Later in the year, launch of questionnaire to prepared advice on next work programme

BREAK

➤ **BACK AT 11:30**

SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA FOR FISHERY AND AQUACULTURE PRODUCTS

➤ Update on the testing of the sustainability criteria tool

▪ Gerd Heinen (MARE A4)

▪ Call for expressions of interest for testing group (29 November to 13 December 2024)

- AECOC, ANOP, Conxemar, EuroCommerce, EAPO, European Fishmeal, FEDEPESCA, Good Fish Foundation, NOVA, Oceana, PACT'ALIM, WWF

➤ Consideration of new proposal of draft advice on the development of fishery sustainability indicators by STECF

▪ New questionnaire circulated (30 October – 13 November 2024)

- AIPCE-CEP, NFAO-CECOPECA, CONXEMAR, FEAP, Oceana, OP Omega3, and PACT'ALIM.

➤ Way forward

COMMON MARKET ORGANISATION

- **Presentation on the section on Producer Organisations of the ongoing study on the Common Market Organisation commissioned by DG MARE**
 - **Séverine Renault (AND International)**
- **Exchange of views**
- **Way forward**

PRODUCER ORGANISATIONS

➤ Exchange of views about the workshop on Producer Organisations (28 January 2025)

- Keynote speech by DG MARE
- Panel & Presentations on Functioning of Professional Organisations across the EU
- Member States and Implementation of Production and Marketing Plans
- Panel & Presentations on use of Production and Marketing Plans by Producer Organisations

➤ Way forward

AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

- **AOB**
- **Summary of action points**
- **End of meeting**