

Executive Committee

Draft Agenda

Friday, 28 March 2025 (14:00 – 16:15 CET)

Zoom

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez

14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (30.01.25)

14:10 Action points

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

14:15 Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation

- Presentation of the new legislation by Commission representative (DG ENV B3)
- Exchange of views

14:45 Membership of the General Assembly

Endorsement of applications for membership:
Oreniging Vlaamse Visveilingen (VVV)

14:50 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

15:05 Planning of Meetings

• Exchange of views on the date, location, and organisation of the September 2025 meetings

15:15 External Representation

- Reporting back on the following meetings:
 - Expert Group for Markets and Trade in Fishery and Aquaculture Products (6 February 2025) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
 - High-Level Roundtable on the European Oceans Pact (21 February 2025) by Yobana Bermúdez (Chair)
 - 5th United Nations Ocean Forum on trade-related aspects of SDG 14 (3-5 March 2025) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
 - $\circ~$ EU Agri-Food Chain Observatory (13 March 2025) by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)
- Preparation for the next Inter-Advisory Councils meeting (8 and 9 April 2025)





15:30 European Oceans Pact

- Update on the development of the communication by Felix Leinemann (MARE A2)
- Exchange of views
- **16:05** AOB
- **16:10** Summary of action points
- 16:15 End of meeting





Annotated Version

Туре	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	Packaging and	On 22 January 2025, the Packaging and Packaging	Presentation of the new	- <u>Regulation</u>
	Packaging Waste	Waste Regulation was published in the Official Journal	legislation by Commission	
	Regulation	on 22 January 2025 and will be applicable from 12	representative.	
		August 2026. Under the Regulation, there will be		
		obligations on reuse targets, the establishment of a		
		collaborative system for ruse, responsibility for		
		collection, and a traceability system. The MAC prepared		
		advice on the impact of the reuse targets.		
Information	Membership	As foreseen by the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation,	Decision on the endorsement of	- Membership
		the MAC is composed of representatives of the entire	recent membership	
		fisheries and aquaculture value chain (primary	applications.	
		producers, processors, traders, retailers, trade unions)		
		and other interest groups (environmental and		
		development NGOs).		
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.	
Decision	Meetings	Under the Work Programme, the MAC committed to	Exchange of views and potential	
		holding meetings in September 2025. The CCRUP	decision on the dates, location,	
		Secretariat expressed interest in the organisation of a	and organisation of the	
		joint General Assembly meeting on 16 September 2025,	September 2025 meetings.	
		in Las Palmas, Gran Canaria. The main theme would be		
		the situation of the market in the Outermost Regions.		
Information	External	On 6 February 2025, following an invitation of MARE	Reporting back by the various	- <u>High-Level Roundtable</u>
	representation	A4, the Secretary General delivered a presentation	representatives on the external	on Oceans Pact
		about the role of the MAC at a meeting of the Expert	meetings.	- <u>Mandate</u>
		Group for Markets and Trade in Fishery and		- <u>Expert Group</u>
		Aquaculture Products. On 21 February 2025, following		- <u>Ocean Forum</u>



			an invitation from the European Commission, the MAC Chair intervened at the High-Level Roundtable on the European Oceans Pact. From 3 to 5 March 2025, the Secretary General attended the 5 th United Nations Ocean Forum. On 13 March 2025, the Secretary General attended a meeting of the EU Agri-Food Chain Observatory, of which the MAC is a formal observer.		- <u>AFCO</u>
Information	European Pact	Oceans	Through the European Oceans Pact, the European Commission plans to set a vision for a holistic approach to ocean-related policies. The aim is to bring coherence across all EU policy areas linked to oceans, focusing on supporting resilient and healthy oceans and coastal areas, promoting the blue economy. In the past, the MAC participated in a High-Level Dialogue on the European Oceans Pact. The communication is expected to be published ahead of the United Nations Oceans Conference of June 2025.	the communication by Commission representative	- <u>Initiative</u> - <u>Mandate</u>