



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Yobana Bermúdez

Chair

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

Friday, 6 June 2025

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez
 - 14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (28.03.25)
 - 14:10 Action Points
 - 14:15 Strategy for EU External Fisheries Action
 - 15:15 Working Groups
 - 15:30 External Representation
 - 15:50 AOB
 - 15:55 Summary of actions points
- 16:00 End of the meeting*

ACTION POINTS (28 MARCH 2025)

Planning of Meetings:

- Secretariat to proceed with the organisation of meetings, in a hybrid format, in September 2025, in Gran Canaria (Spain), including a joint General Assembly meeting with the Outermost Regions Advisory Council
- Planning for meetings from 16 to 18 September 2025 in Gran Canaria ongoing

External Representation:

- Secretariat to circulate a proposal of mandate for the 8 and 9 April 2025 Inter-Advisory Councils via written procedure
- Mandate agreed on 4 April 2025

STRATEGY FOR EU EXTERNAL FISHERIES ACTION

➤ Presentation on the preparation of the upcoming communication

▪ Fernando Andresen Guimarães (Director, MARE B)

- Sustainable value chains and trade
- Fight against illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing
- The new generation of Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements

➤ Exchange of views

➤ Way forward

WORKING GROUPS

➤ Working Group 1

- Julien Lamothe

➤ Working Group 2

- Pierre Commère

➤ Working Group 3

- Benoît Thomassen

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ Inter-AC Meeting with DG MARE (8 & 9 April 2025)

- **Christine Absil (Vice-Chair), Benoît Thomassen (Chair of Working Group 3), Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**
 - Round table on the Vision for EU Fisheries in 2040 with Commissioner Kadis
 - Interventions based on the mandate previously agreed by the Executive Committee
 - Dialogue with DG MARE on key fisheries topics related to the CFP
 - Exchange on other policies impacting the CFP (food policy, CAP, trade, competitiveness, Forced Labour Regulation, Due Diligence Directive, labelling and consumer rules)
 - Exchange on CFP evaluation (pillars of sustainability, fair standard of living, supply, consumer information, Producer Organisations, stakeholder engagement, fisheries control rules)
 - Exchange on European Oceans Pact (CFP and CMO, biodiversity, growth and employment)
 - Dialogue with DG MARE on EU Fisheries External Action (including update on SFPAs)
 - SFPAs, IUU, trade

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ EU Agri-Food Chain Observatory (11 April 2025)

■ Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

- Monitoring the agri-food supply chain, including ongoing work on methodologies to calculate costs indices for farmers
 - Methodologies to calculate cost indices for farmers: the cases of apples and cereals
- Fostering market transparency by making data on the agri-food supply chain publicly available: recent developments - focus on fertilisers

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ **Advisory Board and 20th Anniversary of the European Fisheries Control Agency (23 & 24 April 2025)**

- **Daniel Voces (Representative), Guus Pastoor (Deputy Representative), Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**

- Advisory Board Meeting:

- Update on recent control-related work (recommendations on consumer information, traceability of fresh and frozen products, and annual economic report of the fishing fleet) and upcoming recommendations (IUU in Outermost Regions, implementation of import controls across Member States)

- 20th Anniversary Event:

- Visit to EFCA's Offshore Patrol Vessels
- High-level speeches and roundtable "European fisheries control in the next 20 years and the role of EFCA"

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ **European Maritime Day (21-23 May 2025)**

▪ **Yobana Bermúdez (Chair), Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**

- Fisheries and Ocean Dialogues
- Workshop “20 Years of Advisory Councils – Stakeholder Expertise for the Oceans Pact”
- Various other workshops
- EFCA session: 20 years of uniform and effective control and inspection

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ Preparation for the 2025 United Nations Ocean Conference (Nice, 9-13 June 2025)

- Participation by the Secretary General



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AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

➤ AOB

➤ Summary of action points

➤ End of meeting