



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Yobana Bermúdez

Chair

Zoom

Tuesday, 1 July 2025

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 13:30 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez
- 13:35 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (06.06.25)
- 13:40 Action Points
- 13:45 Work Programme of Year 9 (2024-2025)
- 14:00 The role of social, economic and environmental standards in safeguarding fair competition for all aquatic food products and improving food security
- 14:45 Work Programme of Year 10 (2024-2025)
- 15:15 European Oceans Pact
- 15:20 AOB
- 15:25 Summary of actions points

15:30 End of the meeting

ACTION POINTS (6 JUNE 2025)

Planning of Meetings:

- Secretariat to circulate additional information on the organisation of the September 2025 meeting in Gran Canaria (Spain).
- Registration for the joint General Assembly meeting opened.
- Preliminary draft agenda and information about the venue circulated.

Strategy for EU External Fisheries Action:

- Once the Commission's call for evidence is published, Secretariat to circulate a questionnaire to collect input from the members for the preparation of advice by Working Group 2.
- Launch of the Commission's call for evidence still pending.

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 9 (2024-2025)

➤ Update on implementation of priorities

▪ Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

▪ Overarching priorities

- (1) Common Fisheries Policy & Common Market Organisation
- (2) Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments
- (3) Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing
- (4) Forced Labour
- (5) European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)
- (6) Landing Obligation
- (7) Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF)
- (8) Fisheries Control Regulation

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 9 (2024-2025)

▪ Planned recommendations:

1) Consumer information on fishery and aquaculture products, particularly in the context of the HORECA Sector (jointly with AAC)

- Recommendation on consumer information on fishery and aquaculture products, particularly in the context of the HORECA Sector (23 October 2024)

2) Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet

- STECF's Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet (2025) (27 March 2025)

3) Evaluation of the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation

- *Consultation of the Working Groups ongoing*

4) Evaluation Common Market Organisation (under the overall full evaluation of the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation)

- *In line with the Commission's public consultation, the topic is being addressed under the draft advice on the evaluation of the Common Fisheries Policy*

5) Annual report on the implementation of the landing obligation

- *Due to the lack of developments since the last advice on the topic (September 2025), no new work launched.*

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 9 (2024-2025)

6) Market-related aspects of the revised Fisheries Control Regulation

- Upcoming Delegated Act on Additional Rules for Traceability of Fresh and Frozen Fishery and Aquaculture Products and Marking of Lots (12 March 2025)

7) Work Programme of EUMOFA, including suggestions of case studies and talks

- *Consultation of Working Group 1 ongoing*

8) Fights against IUU Fishing & Forced Labour, Due diligence

- IUU Fishing in the Outermost Regions (21 May 2025)
- Urgent need for effective implementation of EU import control rules across Member States (23 June 2025)

9) Trade (e.g., FTAs, ATQs, GSP)

- Integration of sustainability criteria under the regime of Autonomous Tariff Quotas for certain fishery products (28 April 2025)

10) Economic Report on the EU Aquaculture Sector

- *Proposal of questionnaire shared with AAC Secretariat for potential joint work*

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 9 (2024-2025)

- **Update on the implementation of the budget**
 - **Dawlat Bik (Finance Officer)**

STANDARDS, FAIR COMPETITION, FOOD SECURITY

➤ Presentation of draft own initiative report

■ MEP Paulo do Nascimento Cabral

- “The role of social, economic and environmental standards in safeguarding fair competition for all aquatic food products and improving food security”
 - Committee draft report: 03/06/2025
 - Indicative plenary sitting date: 20/10/2025

2025/2010(INI)

03.06.2025

DRAFT REPORT

on the role of social, economic and environmental standards in safeguarding fair competition for all aquatic food products and improving food security (2025/2010(INI))

Committee on Fisheries

Rapporteur: Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 10 (2025-2026)

➤ Presentation of priorities, deliverables and planning

■ Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

- Operational Year 10 (1 October 2025 – 30 September 2026)
- Preparation by Executive Committee: July 2025
- Submission to DG MARE: Before end of July 2025
- Approval by General Assembly: January 2026

➤ Presentation of draft budget

■ Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

- Multiannual Financial Framework (7 years with 2% increase for inflation)
- If limited changes, DG MARE provides 2% increase to annual contributions to ACs

■ Dawlat Bik (Financial Officer)

AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

➤ AOB

➤ Summary of action points

➤ End of meeting