

## Executive Committee

### Draft Agenda

Tuesday, 24 March 2026 (14:00 – 16:00 CEST)

Zoom

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

**14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez**

**14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meetings' minutes (05.02.26)**

**14:10 Action points**

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

**14:15 Self-Sufficiency of the EU Market**

- Presentation of the European Parliament's study "Assessing the impact of seafood imports on EU self-sufficiency" by Tim Huntington (Poseidon)
- Exchange of views

**14:45 Ocean Diplomacy**

- Presentation of the European Parliament's own-initiative report on the role of ocean diplomacy for the competitiveness of EU fisheries and aquaculture by MEP Željana Zovko
- Exchange of views

**15:30 Working Groups**

- Reporting by Julien Lamothe (Chair of Working Group 1)
- Reporting by Stefan Meyer (Chair of Working Group 2)
- Reporting by Benoît Thomassen (Chair of Working Group 3)

**15:45 European Maritime Day**

- Update on the joint Advisory Councils workshop by Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

**15:50 AOB**

**15:55 Summary of action points**

**16:00 End of meeting**



## Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	Self-Sufficiency of the EU Market	In January 2026, following a request from the Committee on Fisheries, the research services of the European Parliament published a study titled “Assessing the impact of seafood imports on EU self-sufficiency”. The study analyses how imports of fishery and aquaculture products affect the EU’s capacity to meet its own demand, including self-sufficiency and food security.	Presentation of the “Assessing the impact of seafood imports on EU self-sufficiency” study by the authors.	- <a href="#">Study</a>
Information	Ocean Diplomacy	In December 2024, MEP Zovko was appointed rapporteur for a report on the role of ocean diplomacy for the competitiveness of EU fisheries and aquaculture. The report covers various issues on ocean diplomacy, including competitiveness, environmental and scientific leadership, trade policy and global ocean governance, and budgetary and institutional measures. On 25 February 2026, the report was voted by the Committee on Fisheries. Voting by the European Parliament’s plenary is scheduled for 25 March 2026.	Presentation of the European Parliament’s own initiative report by the Rapporteur.	- <a href="#">Legislative Observatory</a>
Information	Working Groups	Under the structure of the MAC, there are three Working Groups with different areas of responsibility.	Reporting by each Chair on the work of the Working Groups.	
Information	European Maritime Day	The European Maritime Day is an annual event organised by DG MARE on maritime affairs and the sustainable blue economy. Every year, the Advisory Councils co-organise a workshop. The workshop of 2026 will be dedicated to small-scale fisheries and marine spatial planning.	Update on the joint workshop by the Secretary General.	- <a href="#">European Maritime Day</a>