

## Working Group 2: EU Markets

### Draft Agenda

Thursday, 11 June 2026 (09:30 – 13:00 CEST)

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

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

**09:30 Welcome from the Chair, Stefan Meyer**

**09:35 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (23.03.26)**

**09:40 Action points**

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

**09:45 Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments**

- Update on latest trade developments by Commission representatives (MARE B3), including:
  - Australia (market access offers under the Free Trade Agreement)
  - India (market access offers under the Free Trade Agreement)
  - Indonesia (adoption of the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement)
  - USA (section 301 investigations, implementation of CATCH, retaliatory measures to the aluminium and steel tariffs)
- Exchange of views
- Way forward

**10:30 Autonomous Tariff Quotas**

- Update regarding the preparation of the next legislative proposal for fishery and aquaculture products, including planned improvement to the sustainability of imported products, by Commission representatives (MARE B3)
- Exchange of views
- Way forward

**11:00 Break**

**11:15 Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing**

- Overview of existing procedures and dialogues with third countries, including implementation of the Port State Measures Agreement, by Commission representatives (MARE B4)
- Exchange of views
- Way forward

**12:00 CATCH**

- Presentation on the practical experiences of operators by an invited operator



- Exchange of views

**12:30 Traceability**

- Exchange of views on the upcoming draft delegated act on traceability under the Fisheries Control Regulation
- Way forward

**12:50 AOB**

**12:55 Summary of action items**

**13:00 End of meeting**

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## Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information + Decision	Trade	Under the Work Programme, trade developments are a priority. Commission representatives periodically provide updates on the latest trade policy developments affecting the market. There are several trade developments of relevance, including in relation to Australia, India, Indonesia, and USA.	Presentation and exchange with DG MARE representatives. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice, monitor developments, none).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">EU-Australia Trade</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">EU-Indonesia Trade</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">MAC Letter</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">EU-India Trade</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">EU-USA Trade</a></li> </ul>
Information + Decision	Autonomous Tariff Quotas	The Autonomous Tariff Quotas allows for the reduction of custom duties on limited import quantities of selected products. In the fisheries and aquaculture sector, these are usually provided for periods of three years. The current Regulation covers 2024 to 2026. In 2024, the European Commission started considering the integration of sustainability criteria under the Autonomous Tariff Quotas regime. This ambition was reaffirmed in the European Ocean Pact.	Update on the preparation of the next legislative proposal by DG MARE representative. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice, monitor developments, none).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Information Page</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Advice</a></li> </ul>
Information + Decision	Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing	Under the EU IUU Regulation, the Commission can take steps against third countries not taking action against illegal fishing activities. First, the Commission issues a warning (“yellow card”). If the country is still not complying, the Commission will identify the country as non-cooperating (“red card”). Fisheries products from identified countries are banned from the EU market. The Port State Measures Agreement is an international agreement targeting illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing through a minimum set of measures for Parties to apply when foreign vessels seek entry into their ports or while they are in their ports.	Update on ongoing procedures and dialogues with third countries by DG MARE representatives. Decision on way forward (e.g., drafting of advice on specific third country, monitoring of developments, none).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Overview</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">PSMA</a></li> </ul>

Information	CATCH	<p>The revision of the Fisheries Control Regulation introduced a new IT tool for the submission of catch certificates. Since 10 January 2026, EU importers must submit the catch certificates for the importation of fishery products in the EU market. At the 23 March 2026 meeting, Seafood Europe delivered a presentation on ongoing challenges related to the implementation of CATCH.</p>	<p>Presentation on the practical experience of operators on the implementation of CATCH.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Regulation</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Press Release</a></li> </ul>
Information + Decision	Traceability	<p>On 9 February 2024, the amendments of the Fisheries Control Regulation entered into force. From January 2026, the new rules on lots and digital traceability rules for fresh and frozen products became applicable. Following a feasibility study, traceability rules will be applicable to prepared and preserved products within five years. At the 23 March 2026 meeting, DG MARE representatives informed that a new delegated act would be prepared soon. The Working Group agreed, as an action point, that, once an initial draft of the delegated act is available, the development of advice would proceed.</p>	<p>Exchange of views on the available on the upcoming draft delegated act on traceability under the Fisheries Control Regulation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Advice</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Advice</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Information Note</a></li> </ul>