

Executive Committee

Draft Agenda

Friday, 3 July 2026 (10:00 – 12:30 CEST)

Zoom

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

10:00 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez

10:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meetings' minutes (12.06.26)

10:10 Action points

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

10:15 Sustainability

- Presentation of Seafood Europe's "Sustainability Manifesto – A Fish and Seafood Industry Perspective" by Seafood Europe representative

10:45 Work Programme of Year 10 (2025-2026)

- Update on the implementation of deliverables by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General
- Update on the implementation of the budget by Dawlat Bik, Finance Officer

11:00 Membership Fees

- Consideration of an update to the annual membership fees for the participation in the General Assembly and in the Working Groups

11:15 Work Programme of Year 11 (2026-2027)

- Presentation of priorities, deliverables and planning by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General
- Presentation of draft budget by Dawlat Bik, Finance Officer

11:45 Secretariat

- Decision on the launch of a tender procedure to contract administrative and financial support services for the 2026-2029 period

12:00 External Representation

- Reporting back on the following meetings:
 - High-Level Conference on Islands & Coastal Communities (Paphos, 26 June 2026) by Daniel Voces (Europêche)
 - Implementation Dialogue on EU Aquaculture Policy (Brussels, 30 June 2026) by Yobana Bermúdez (Chair)
- Preparation for the next Inter-Advisory Councils meeting (Brussels, 15 July 2026)



12:20 AOB

12:25 Summary of action points

12:30 End of meeting

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Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	Sustainability	In November 2025, Seafood Europe published the “Sustainability Manifesto”, a document outlining the processing and trading sector’s vision and framework to guide their environmental, social and governance commitments. The document aims to emphasise sustainability as a core operational priority for the value chain of fishery and aquaculture products.	Presentation of the document by a Seafood Europe representative.	- Manifesto
Information	Work Programme of Year 10 (2025-2026)	The operational year of the MAC corresponds to 1 October to 30 September. In line with the Rules of Procedure, the Executive Committee shall prepare the strategic plan and the budget for the next operational year. Under the lump-sum approach of the annual operating grant provided by DG MARE, 50% of the work programme’s deliverable must be met to receive the full payment.	Updates on the implementation of the deliverables of the current work programme. Update on the implementation of the current budget.	- Work Programme
Decision	Membership Fees	In accordance with point 3 (b) of the Rules of Procedure, the membership fees are determined by the General Assembly upon proposal of the Executive Committee. Article 7 of our Statutes determines that the maximum amount must not exceed EUR 2000 per year. Presently, members pay an annual fee of EUR 200 for their participation in the General Assembly, a fee of EUR 300 for the Working Groups, and a fee of EUR 400 for the Executive Committee.	Decision on an update to the annual membership fees for the participation in the General Assembly and in the Working Groups.	
Decision	Work Programme of Year 11 (2026-2026)	The operational year of the MAC corresponds to 1 October to 30 September. In line with the Rules of Procedure, the Executive Committee shall prepare the	Preparation of the draft work programme and draft budget of the next operational year.	- Draft Work Programme (Via Email / Members Area)

		strategic plan and the budget for the next operational year. In line with the applicable financial rules, the draft must be submitted to DG MARE two months before the start of the new operational year. In line with the Rules of Procedure, the General Assembly shall approve the Work Programme and the budget.	Submission for consideration to DG MARE by 31 July 2025. Formal approval by the General Assembly at the January 2026 meeting.	- Draft Budget (Via Email / Members Area)
Decision	Secretariat	In 2023, following a tender procedure, the MAC signed a contract with EBCD for the provision of administration and financial support services covering the period of 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2026.	Decision on the launch of a new tender procedure for the period of 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2026.	- Call for Tenders (2023)
Information	External Representation	On 26 June 2026, at the invitation of the Cypriot Presidency of the Council and of the European Commission, the MAC attended the High-Level Conference on Islands & Coastal Communities. On 30 June 2026, at the invitation of Commissioner Kadis and DG MARE, the MAC attended the Implementation Dialogue on the EU Aquaculture Policy. The next Inter-Advisory Councils meeting will be on 15 July 2026.	Reporting back by the various representatives on the external meetings. Preparation for upcoming meetings.	- High-Level Conference - Implementation Dialogue - Inter-Advisory Councils meeting