



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Yobana Bermúdez

Chair

Zoom

Friday, 3 July 2026

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 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
- 10:15 Sustainability
- 10:45 Work Programme of Year 10 (2025-2026)
- 11:00 Membership Fees
- 11:15 Work Programme of Year 11 (2026-2027)
- 11:45 Secretariat
- 12:00 External Representation
- 12:20 AOB
- 12:25 Summary of actions points
- 12:30 End of the meeting

ACTION POINTS (12 JUNE 2026)

AOB:

- Secretariat to launch a written procedure for the approval of the mandate for the Implementation Dialogue on EU Aquaculture Policy.
- Reply to be sent to the Association of Polish Fish Producers informing that any potential review of the ceilings of the travel reimbursements and allowances would depend on budgetary developments.
- Interested members to express their availability to attend the High-Level Conference on Islands & Coastal Communities on behalf of the MAC.
 - Written procedure for the approval of the mandate for the Implementation Dialogue launched on 17 June 2026
 - Reply to the Association of Polish Fish Producers sent via email message on 15 June 2026
 - Attendance of the High-Level Conference by Daniel Voces (Europêche) on behalf of the MAC confirmed on 15 June 2026

SUSTAINABILITY

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



WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 10 (2025-2026)

➤ Update on the implementation of the deliverables

- **Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**
 - Operational Year 10 (1 October 2025 – 30 September 2026)

➤ Update on the implementation of the budget

- **Dawlat Bik (Finance Officer)**

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 10 (2025-2026)

▪ Planned recommendations:

1) Strategy for External EU Fisheries Action (sustainable value chains and trade, fight against IUU fishing, market dimension of SFPAs)

- EU Strategy for Fisheries External Action (17 November 2025)

2) 2026 Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet (Terms of Reference)

- STECF's Annual Economic Report on the EU Fishing Fleet (2026) (5 February 2026)

3) Market-related aspects of the revised Fisheries Control Regulation (traceability, marking of lots, catch certificates)

- Competitiveness of the EU Market of Fishery and Aquaculture Products – Upcoming studies on the Fisheries Control Regulation (26 May 2026)
- *Operational Stabilisation and Strategic Alignment of CATCH (Ongoing)*

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

- *Pending – Planned for September 2026 Working Group 1 meeting*

5) FAO's Committee on Fisheries (EU's mandate)

- *Pending – Written procedure to be launched*

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 10 (2025-2026)

6) Commission's report on the evaluation of the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation, including the Common Market Organisation Regulation

- *Pending – Awaiting decision of European Commission on a potential legislative revision*

7) Competitiveness – simplification and reduction of administrative burden

- Competitiveness of the EU Market of Fishery and Aquaculture Products – Simplification and reduction of administrative burden (24 March 2026)

8) Fights against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing & Forced Labour, Due diligence

- *Pending – Ongoing written procedure on risks in global squid fisheries*

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

- Alignment of import requirements on animal welfare for a level-playing-field (June 2026)
- EU-UK SPS Agreement (5 February 2026 & 24 March 2026)
- *Pending – Written consultation on EU-Mexico Free Trade Agreement to be launched*

10) Economic Report on the EU Processing Sector

- *Pending*

MEMBERSHIP FEES

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

■ Current membership fees:

- General Assembly – EUR 200
- Working Groups – EUR 300
- Executive Committee – EUR 400

■ Proposed update:

- General Assembly – EUR 300
- Working Groups – EUR 400

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 11 (2026-2027)

➤ Presentation of priorities, deliverables and planning

■ Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)

- Operational Year 11 (1 October 2026 – 30 September 2027)
- Preparation by Executive Committee: 3 July 2026
- Submission to DG MARE: July 2026
- Approval by General Assembly: 2027

➤ Presentation of draft budget

■ Dawlat Bik (Finance Officer)

SECRETARIAT

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

■ Current contract:

- Timeframe: 1 October 2023 – 30 September 2026
- Provider: EBCD
- Services: Administrative Officer (0.3 of time) & Finance Officer (0.2 of time)
- Costs: EUR 37.210,00 (excluding VAT) with annual inflation adjustments

■ Next contract:

- Timeframe: 1 October 2026 – 30 September 2029
- Provider: In line with the applicable financial guidelines, to be selected via a call for tenders to be published on the website (one month)
- Services: Same as under current contract
- Costs: Same as under current contract (adjusted to inflation)
- Formal approval: 17 September 2026 meeting

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ High-Level Conference on Islands & Coastal Communities (Paphos, 26 June 2026)

▪ Daniel Voces (Europêche)

- EU Strategies for Islands and Coastal Communities – From Vision to Action
- Thematic Session 1: “Unlocking the Potential of EU Islands”
- Thematic Session 2: “Strengthening Europe’s Coastal Communities”

➤ Implementation Dialogue on EU Aquaculture Policy (Brussels, 30 June 2026)

▪ Yobana Bermúdez (Chair)

- Part I: Overall EU legislative framework applicable to aquaculture
- Part II: Use of alien and locally absent species in aquaculture; Organic aquaculture

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ Preparation for the next Inter-Advisory Councils meeting (Brussels, 15 July 2026)

- **Yobana Bermúdez (Chair), Christine Absil (Vice-Chair), Julien Lamothe (Vice-Chair & WG1 Chair), Stefan Meyer (WG2 Chair), Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**
 - Roundtable on the results of the Evaluation of the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation (Director-General Vitcheva)
 - Exchange of views on new Guidelines on the Functioning of Advisory Councils (Commissioner Kadis)
 - Update on Ocean Act & MSPD (MARE A2)
 - Update on the Energy Transition, the EU Strategy for islands and the EU strategy for coastal communities strategies (MARE A.4)
 - European Integrated Framework for Climate Resilience (DG CLIMA)
- Workshop on Fisheries Control Regulation (Brussels, 16 July) by BLSAC, BSAC, CCRUP, SWWAC, LDAC, MEDAC, NSAC, NWWAC, PELAC with MARE D4

AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

- AOB
- Summary of action points
- End of meeting