



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Yobana Bermúdez

Chair

Martin's Brussels EU (Boulevard Charlemagne 80, 1000 Brussels)

Thursday, 17 September 2026

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez
- 14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meetings' minutes (03.07.26)
- 14:10 Action Points
- 14:15 Consumption of Fishery and Aquaculture Products
- 14:45 Membership of the General Assembly
- 15:00 Secretariat
- 15:15 European Fisheries Control Agency
- 15:30 External Representation
- 15:50 AOB
- 15:55 Summary of actions points
- 16:00 End of the meeting

ACTION POINTS (3 JULY 2026)

Membership Fees:

- Update on the annual membership fees to be reflected in the next annual budget and put forward for approval by the General Assembly.
- Ongoing.

Work Programme of Year 11 (2026-2027):

- Secretariat to proceed with the formal submission of the draft work programme and of the draft budget to the European Commission.
- Draft work programme and draft budget submitted on 23 July 2026.

Secretariat:

- Tender procedure to contract administrative and financial support services for the 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2029 period to be published on the website.
- Call for tenders launched from 8 July to 10 August 2026.

ACTION POINTS (3 JULY 2026)

External Representation:

- Secretariat to launch a written consultation for the approval of the mandate for the 15 July 2026 Inter-Advisory Councils meeting.
- Mandate approved on 14 July 2026.

AOB:

- Secretariat to review the frequency of informative email messages sent to the members.
- Secretariat introduced the practice of a weekly compilatory “for your information” email message.

CONSUMPTION OF FISHERY AND AQUACULTURE PRODUCTS

- Presentation of a Fundación Fish Nation's study on the consumption of fishery products in hospital and nursing home canteens

- Pablo Cadarso

- Exchange of views



MEMBERSHIP OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

➤ Endorsement of applications for membership:

- CONFCOOPERATIVE (Italy)



- INTERFISH (Spain)



SECRETARIAT

➤ Decision on the call for tenders to contract administrative and financial support services for the 2026-2029 period

■ 1 offer received:

- Timeframe: 1 October 2026 – 30 September 2029
- Provider: EBCD
- Services: Administrative Officer (0.3 of time) & Finance Officer (0.2 of time)
- Costs: EUR 39,487.54 (excluding VAT) with annual inflation adjustments

EUROPEAN FISHERIES CONTROL AGENCY

➤ Update of the designated representative and deputy representative to the Advisory Board

- Representative: Daniel Voces (Europêche)
- Deputy representative: Yobana Bermúdez (Chair)

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ **European Ocean Board (Online, 8 July 2026)**

▪ **Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**

- Presentation of the Ocean Pact dashboard functionalities (demo presentation) and indicators by the Joint Research Centre

➤ **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)

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EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

➤ **Committee on Fisheries of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (Rome, 7-11 September 2026)**

- **Yobana Bermúdez (Chair), Christine Absil (Vice-Chair), Pedro Reis Santos (Secretary General)**
 - State of world fisheries and aquaculture and progress in the implementation of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and related instruments
 - Progress in addressing Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing through international, regional and national actions
 - The role of FAO and Regional Fishery Bodies in supporting implementation of International Agreements relevant to fisheries and aquaculture, including the BBNJ Agreement, the WTO Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies, and CITES decisions on aquatic species
 - Adaptation and mitigation of fisheries and aquaculture to climate change, including extreme events
 - Supporting small-scale fisheries and aquaculture, including inland fisheries, and elevating their contributions to food security, nutrition and livelihood support
 - FAO's Programme of Work in fisheries and aquaculture under the FAO Strategic Framework
 - Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) of the Committee (WCP)

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AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

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