



TERMS OF REFERENCE

Focus Group on PECFR for Marine Fish Products

Brussels, 8 November 2021

Rationale

In 2020, DG ENV launched a [policy initiative](#) on a potential legislative proposal on substantiating green claims. The Product and Organisation Environmental Footprint will be determined through Life Cycle Assessment methods. Environmental performance will be calculated from extraction/growing of resources to the end of life of the product or portfolio.

Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules (PEFCR) are being developed by external experts, including PECFR for unprocessed Marine Fish Products (both for wild catch and farmed fish) under a [Technical Secretariat](#). The [First Open Consultation for the Marine Fish PEFCR](#) took place from 2 August to 4 October 2021. Three supporting studies will be carried out to test the PEFCR. After the studies, a Second Open Public Consultation will take place in February/March 2022. At the 15 September 2021 meeting, Working Group 3 agreed, as an action item, that a Focus Group would be established to analyse the draft documents in advance of the Second Open Consultation for the Marine Fish PEFCR.

Purpose

- Analysis of the draft documents under the First Open Public Consultation
- Preparation of contribution to the Second Open Public Consultation

Proposed outcomes

- Submission to WG3 of draft contribution to the Second Open Public Consultation

Composition of the Focus Group

Ideal maximum of 10 members on the basis of knowledge of the issue under discussion, while striving for a fair representation of the different stakeholders.

Working languages

- English

Timeline

- First meeting in November 2021
- Dates of additional meetings to be determined by FG members
- Regular progress reports to Working Group 3
- Presentation and final report by January or March 2021

Location

- Meetings via virtual conferencing or, in respect of applicable safety rules, in person
- Distribution of information and documents electronically

Resources, inputs and external sources

- [Draft documents of the First Open Public Consultation](#)
- [MAC Advice on Substantiating Green Claims](#)
- Input from members

Structure

- Chairperson: TBD by FG members
- Secretariat: Pedro Reis Santos

Members

SECTOR	ORGANISATION	REPRESENTATIVE
- Catching	- EAPO	- Zarah Bellefroid
- Processing	- ADEPALE - European Fishmeal	- Solène Chambard - Daniel Weber
- Other Interest Groups	- MSC - Good Fish	- Jennifer Reeves - Christine Absil