



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Guus Pastoor

Chair

Zoom / Radisson Collection Hotel, Grand Place Brussels (Hybrid)

Tuesday, 29 March 2022

AGENDA (CET TIME ZONE)

- 13:30 Welcome from the Chair, Guus Pastoor
- 13:35 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (26.01.22)
- 13:40 Action Points
- 13:45 Farm to Fork Strategy
- 14:30 Working Groups
- 15:00 **Break**
- 15:15 Performance Review
- 16:00 Inter-Advisory Councils' Coordination
- 16:15 Work Programme of Year 6
- 16:35 AOB
- 16:40 Summary of actions points
- 16:45 End of the meeting

ACTION POINTS (26 JANUARY 2022)

United Nations Food Systems Summit 2021:

- Maintain cooperation and sharing of information with FAO
- Ongoing

Functioning of the Common Fisheries Policy and of the Common Market Organisation:

- Extraordinary meetings of the Working Groups to take place in February 2022, in order to prepare advice
- Extraordinary WG1 & WG2 meetings on 4 & 10 February 2022

Performance Review:

- Presentation and exchange of views on the final report to take place at the next meeting
- Agenda item scheduled (15:15 CET)

Inter-Advisory Council's Coordination:

- Secretariat to coordinate with the Secretariats of other Advisory Councils to prepare a joint letter to the Commission on the weight of advice in public consultations
- Letter sent to DG MARE: 4 March 2022 | Reply: 16 March 2022

FARM TO FORK STRATEGY

➤ Exchange of views on initiatives with MEP Pierre Karleskind

- **DG SANTE – Sustainable Food System Framework** – Framework Law + sustainable food labelling framework
 - Advice adopted (15 February 2022)
- **DG MARE – Revision of Marketing Standards Framework** – Incorporation of (social & environmental) sustainability elements
 - Advice adopted (15 October 2021)
- **DG SANTE – Revision of Food Information to Consumer** – Front-of-pack nutrition labelling, nutrient profiles, health claims, origin, date marking
 - Advice adopted (23 February 2022) + additional advice ongoing
- **DG ENV – Substantiating Green Claims** – Tackle greenwashing | **Technical Secretariat – PEFCR for Marine Fish Products** – PEF method
 - Advice on green claims (15 October 2021) | Advice on PEFCR (ongoing)

FARM TO FORK STRATEGY

- **Exchange of views on initiatives with MEP Pierre Karleskind**
 - **DG FISMA – EU Taxonomy Regulation** – Common classification of sustainable economy activities (definition of “sustainable fisheries”)
 - Exchange with COM at 28 March 2022 WG2 meeting
 - **DG SANTE – Revision of Animal Welfare Legislation** – Options for animal welfare labelling
 - Draft advice under development
 - **DG JUST – Empowering the Consumer for the Green Transition** – Setting of minimum requirements for sustainability logos and labels
 - Advice on voluntary sustainability claims - recommendation j) (15 June 2021)

WORKING GROUPS

➤ Reporting on Working Group 1

- Sean O'Donoghue, Chair of Working Group 1

➤ Reporting on Working Group 2

- Pierre Commère, Chair of Working Group 2

➤ Reporting on Working Group 3

- Benoît Thomassen, Chair of Working Group 3

BREAK

➤ **BACK AT 15:00 CET**

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

- **Presentation of final report by Benoît Guerin, BG Sea Consulting**
 - **Final report circulated: 22 March 2022**

- **Exchange of views**

INTER-ADVISORY COUNCILS' COORDINATION

➤ Reporting back by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

- **DG MARE - Inter-Secretariats (25 February 2022)**
 - Participation by Secretary General and Financial Officer
 - Planning of meetings, financial matters (lump-sum approach), delegated act
- **CCRUP's Executive Committee and Working Groups (15-16 March 2022)**
 - WG on IUU: Joint CCRUP-MAC work on IUU in Outermost Regions (French Guyana)
- **LDAC's Working Group 5 (23 March 2022)**
 - IUU: DG MARE update on carding system + Morocco, China, Ecuador, Senegal
 - Social Dimension of CFP and labour issues linked to imports and trade + due diligence in value chain
 - Russian-Ukraine crisis: potential position paper and Inter-AC collaboration
 - FAO: identification of initiatives for 2022 + preparation of 35 COFI meeting (5-9 September 2022)

INTER-ADVISORY COUNCILS' COORDINATION

- **Update on joint letter on weight of contributions in public consultations**
 - **MAC, CCRUP, LDAC, MEDAC, AAC, NSAC, NWWAC, PELAC, BLSAC, CCSUD**
 - Letter sent on 4 March 2022
 - Reply received on 16 March 2022
 - Flexibility in format and timeline, added weight of contributions (especially when consensus), maintain bilateral dialogues, make recommendations more visible
- **Update on joint letter on stakeholder engagement in Specialised Committee on Fisheries**
 - **MAC, LDAC, NSAC, NWWAC, PELAC**
 - Status, WGs, participation, agenda items, roadmap
 - Urgent request to ExCom: 21-28 March 2022
 - Inter-AC Forum on Brexit: Consideration of draft Terms of Reference
- **Preparation of position for Inter-Advisory Councils meeting (31 March 2022)**
 - Postponed to 29 April 2022

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

➤ Update on priorities and deliverables by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

- (1) Outstanding Work: Revision of Fisheries Control, Catch IT System, EMFAF Funding Priorities
- (2) Farm to Fork Strategy
- (3) Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments
- (4) Marketing Standards Framework
- (5) Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing & Global Governance
- (6) European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)
- (7) Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs)
- (8) Food Information to Consumers
- (9) Technologies for the transmission of data in the supply chain
- (10) Landing obligation
- (11) Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF)
- (12) Sanitary & Hygiene Rules
- (13) Substantiating Green Claims
- (14) Empowering the Consumer for the Green Transition
- (15) Other work

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

(1.1) Outstanding Work – Revision of Fisheries Control Regulation

- As soon as tangible outcomes from trilogues, follow-up advice
 - Latest update at the September 2021 WG2 meeting

(1.2) CATCH IT System

- Advice, once provisions on the mandatory use are published
 - Awaiting developments with revision of Fisheries Control Regulation

(1.3) EMFAF Funding Priorities

- As national programmes are prepared by MS and approved by EC, advice on the objectives and implementation
 - Exchange of views with Spain at January 2022 WG1 meeting
 - Exchanges with additional MS expected in May 2022

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

(2) Farm to Fork Strategy

- Follow-up initiatives of Year 5: contingency plan, EU Code of Conduct, Food Contact Materials, marketing standards, FIC Regulation, promotion programme
- Initiate work on new initiatives:
 - Sustainable Food Systems – Advice adopted on 15 February 2022
 - Animal welfare legislation – Draft advice under development in WG3
 - Position of primary producers in food chain – No new work
 - Corporate governance framework – Agenda item in January 2022 WG2 meeting
 - FIC Regulation – Draft advice under development in WG3
 - Food Fraud – No new work
 - EU School Scheme – Advice on Health and Environmental Value (Recommendation j)
 - EU-level targets for food waste reduction – Draft advice under development in WG3

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

(3) Trade Agreements & Trade Policy Instruments

- Contributions to public consultations. Ad hoc advice.
 - Exchanges of views with COM in WG2 meetings
 - Advice on EU-Ukraine FTA (18 October 2021)
 - Draft advice on trade data under development in WG2

(4) Marketing Standards Framework

- When published, advice on the legislative proposal
 - Advice on incorporation of sustainability aspects (15 October 2021)

(5) Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing & Global Governance

- Advice on ad hoc basis
 - Exchange of views with DG MARE at March 2022 WG2 meeting

(6) European Market Observatory for Fisheries and Aquaculture (EUMOFA)

- Advice on EUMOFA work programme (studies: suggestions of species + MS)
 - Exchange of views with DG MARE at March 2022 WG1 meeting

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

(7) Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs)

- Advice on evaluation report and Staff Working Document
 - Exchange of views with DG MARE at January 2022 WG2 meeting
 - Publication of evaluation and Staff Working Document still pending

(8) Food Information to Consumers

- Advice on initiatives, as these are launched
 - Draft advice on public consultation under development in WG3

(9) Technologies for the transmission of data in the supply chain

- Webinar to take place at end 2021, webinar report, potential advice
 - MAC-NSAC-NWWAC webinar on 2 December 2021
 - Webinar report: 18 January 2021

(10) Landing Obligation

- Advice on annual implementation of the landing obligation
 - Draft advice under development in WG1

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

(11) Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF)

- Collaboration along the year
 - Presentation of Annual Economic Report of Fishing Fleet at January 2022 WG1 meeting
 - Drafting of position to attend STECF meetings as active observers

(12) Sanitary & Hygiene Rules

- Advice on ad hoc basis
 - Drafting of advice on sulphite levels in crustaceans under development in WG3

(13) Substantiating green claims

- Advice on ongoing developments, particularly PEFCR for Marine Fish
 - FG on PEFCR for Marine Fish established
 - Drafting of advice under development in WG3

(14) Empowering the consumer for the green transition

- Advice on setting of minimum requirements for sustainability logos and labels
 - Latest update at September 2021 WG3 meeting

WORK PROGRAMME OF YEAR 6 (2021-2022)

(15) Other Work

- Functioning of the Common Fisheries Policy
 - Advice adopted on 23 March 2022
- Functioning of the Common Market Organisation
 - Draft advice under development

AOB, ACTION POINTS, END OF MEETING

- **AOB**
- **Summary of action points**
- **End of meeting**