

Executive Committee

Draft Agenda

Thursday, 7 July (09:00 – 11:00 CEST)

Zoom (Remote)

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

09:00 Welcome from the Chair, Guus Pastoor

09:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (24.05.22)

09:10 Action points

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

09:15 Work Programme of Year 7 (2022-2023)

- Presentation of priorities, deliverables and planning by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General
- Presentation of draft budget by Panos Manias, Financial Officer

10:00 European Green Deal & Farm to Fork Strategy

- Presentation of background paper on initiatives affecting the market of fisheries and aquaculture products by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

10:20 Membership of General Assembly

- Endorsement of new member Związek Polskich Producentów Ryb (Polish Fish Producers Association) from Poland

10:30 2022 UN Ocean Conference

- Reporting back by Christine Absil, Vice-Chair, and Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

10:35 Inter-ACs Brexit Forum

- Reporting back by Guus Pastoor, Chair, and Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

10:40 Biodiversity in areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)

- Presentation of Global Tuna Alliance and Sustainable Seafood Coalition's Joint Position by Oliver Tanqueray, ClientEarth

10:50 AOB

10:55 Summary of action points

11:00 End of meeting



Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Consideration of draft documents	Work Programme of Year 7 (2022-2023)	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. 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 budget. Due to the change by COM services to lump-sum approach, a new template has been used and priorities have been streamlined.	Preparation of the draft work programme and draft budget, including potential amendments to priorities and deliverables. Submission for consideration to DG MARE by 31 July 2022. Submission for approval at the 20 September 2022 meeting of the General Assembly meeting.	- Draft Work Programme (via email) - Draft budget (via email)
Information	European Green Deal and Farm to Fork Strategy	At the 23 May 2022 Working Group 3 meeting, it was agreed, as an action point, that the Secretariat would prepare a background document outlining ongoing Commission initiatives affecting the fisheries and aquaculture sector.	Better understanding by members of ongoing initiatives.	- Background document
Decision	Membership of General Assembly	Związek Polskich Producentów Ryb (Polish Fish Producers Association) submitted a membership application. Under the terms of Article 2(h) of Annex III of the CFP Regulation, Member States shall agree on the members of the General Assembly. Poland endorsed the new membership. In line with the rules of procedure, the Executive Committee shall endorse new nominations of membership.	Decision on endorsement of Związek Polskich Producentów Ryb (Polish Fish Producers Association) as new member of the General Assembly.	- Applicant's website
Information	2022 UN Ocean Conference	UN Ocean Conference, co-hosted by Portugal and Kenya, in Lisbon, from 27 June to 1 July 2022, aimed to scale up ocean action based on science and innovation	Reporting back by Christine Absil, Vice-Chair, and Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General.	- Conference website

		for the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14. As mentioned at the previous meeting, several ACs were represented. The MAC was represented by Vice-Chair Christine Absil and Secretary General Pedro Reis Santos.		
Information	Inter-ACs Brexit Forum	MAC, PELAC, LDAC, NWWAC, and NSAC established the Inter-AC Brexit Forum to exchange on Brexit-related topics. Meetings took place on 5 May 2022, 2 June 2022, and 30 June 2022. The third meeting was organised by MAC Secretariat.	Reporting back by Guus Pastoor, Chair, and Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General, as participants in the meetings.	- Minutes of 1 st and 2 nd meeting (via email)
Information	Biodiversity in areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)	UN committed to developing an internationally legally binding instrument on marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ). The Sustainable Seafood Coalition and the Global Tuna Alliance signed a joint position on the topic.	Presentation of joint position by Oliver Tanqueray, Client Earth. Encouragement of subscription by business operators ahead of the 15-26 August 2022 Intergovernmental Conference on BBNJ. Potential development of work on the topic, including with LDAC.	- Joint Statement - 2022 UN Ocean Conference Side Event - Intergovernmental Conference on BBNJ