

Executive Committee

Draft Agenda

Wednesday, 3 April 2024 (14:00 – 16:00 CET)

Zoom

Interpretation in EN, ES, FR

14:00 Welcome from the Chair, Yobana Bermúdez

14:05 Adoption of the agenda and of the last meeting's minutes (31.01.24)

14:10 Action points

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

14:15 Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)

- Presentation of the “Blue Transformation” 2022-2030 roadmap by Audun Lem (FAO)
- Exchange of view

14:45 Working Groups

- Reporting by Julien Lamothe, Chair of Working Group 1
- Reporting by Pierre Commère, Chair of Working Group 2
- Reporting by Benoît Thomassen, Chair of Working Group 3

15:15 Membership of the General Assembly

- Update on contacts with external associations about potential membership applications by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

15:30 European Maritime Day

- Update on the proposal for a joint workshop with the other Advisory Councils by Pedro Reis Santos, Secretary General

15:35 Inter-Advisory Council's Coordination

- Reporting back on the following meetings:
 - Inter-Advisory Councils' Brexit Forum (5 February 2024)
 - Inter-Advisory Councils' coordination meeting with DG MARE (6 February 2024)
 - Meeting with DG MARE about formulation of advice requests to ICES and STECF (29 February 2024)

15:55 AOB



15:55 Summary of action points

16:00 End of meeting

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Annotated Version

Type	Item	Background	Purpose	Documents
Information	FAO	In the past, the Executive Committee agreed to maintain a collaborative relationship with the FAO, particularly concerning the Committee on Fisheries and the Sub-Committee on Fish Trade. In 2022, FAO published the “Blue Transformation” 2022-2030 roadmap, which outlines the roadmap for the transformation of aquatic food systems, providing a compass for the FAO’s work on aquatic food systems for the 2022-2030 period.	Presentation of the roadmap by FAO representative.	- FAO Roadmap
Information	Working Groups	Under the structure of the MAC, there are three Working Groups with different areas of responsibility.	Reporting by each Chair on the work of the Working Groups.	
Information	Membership	As foreseen by the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation, the MAC is composed of representatives of the entire fisheries and aquaculture value chain (primary producers, processors, traders, retailers, trade unions) and other interest groups (environmental and development NGOs). At the 30 November 2023 meeting, the Secretariat provided an overview of the distribution of the membership across the different categories. It was agreed that the Secretary General would contact associations representing HoReCa and consumer interests as well as NGOs about their potential interest in becoming members.	Update on contacts with external associations by the Secretary General.	- Membership
Information	European Maritime Day	The European Maritime Day is an annual event organised by the European Commission to raise awareness on the seas and their importance. The next edition will take place on 30-31 May 2024 in Svendborg,	Update on the proposal for a joint workshop with the other Advisory Councils by the Secretary General.	- European Maritime Day

		Denmark. DG MARE reserved a slot for a workshop by the Advisory Councils. Following a reformulation by the DG MARE EMD Coordinator, the workshop is now titled “EU Advisory Councils: Stakeholder engagement in policy making for healthy and productive fisheries and aquatic ecosystems”.		
Information	Inter-Advisory Councils Coordination	On 5 February 2024, a meeting of the Inter-AC Brexit Forum took place. The MAC was represented by the Secretary General. On 6 February 2024, DG MARE held a coordination meeting with the Advisory Councils, which included an opening speech by Director-General Victheva and an exchange about the revision of the Fisheries Control Regulation. The MAC was represented by Yobana Bermúdez, Christine Absil, Julien Lamothe, Pierre Commère, and the Secretary General. On 29 February 2024, DG MARE organised a meeting with the Advisory Councils about the formulation of advice requests to ICES and STECF. The MAC was represented by Yobana Bermúdez, Christine Absil, and the Secretary General.	Reporting back on the meetings by the different representatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Invitation - Draft Agenda - Mandate - Invitation - Draft Agenda - Mandate