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**Subject: Future Strategic Guidelines for the sustainable development of EU aquaculture**

Dear Mr. Ojeda,

I would like to thank you for providing DG MARE with your recommendation on the future strategic guidelines on the sustainable development of EU aquaculture.

As discussed previously with you, we value the inclusion of stakeholders in the update of the strategic guidelines.

We will take the advice of the Aquaculture Advisory Council into consideration when drafting the Guidelines. Please also note you will be able to respond to a public consultation on the process in the coming weeks. We count on your participation as Aquaculture Advisory Council but also on the wide dissemination of the public consultation to all stakeholders involved and interested in aquaculture in the EU.

I thank you again for your recommendation and ongoing work on the guidelines and invite you to contact Ms Pascale COLSON, coordinator of the Advisory Councils ([pascale.colson@ec.europa.eu](mailto:pascale.colson@ec.europa.eu); +32.2.295.62.73), should you have any question on this reply.

Yours sincerely,

*We will be discussing this with you further in the New Year!*

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Acting Director-General