

Aquaculture Advisory Council

WORKING GROUP 1 "Finfish" Meeting

Tuesday 24 October 2023 (09:30-13:00)
Thon Hotel – Avenue du Boulevard 17, 1210 Brussels
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Agenda

Welcome words by the Chair Andrea Fabris (09:30)

1. Adoption of the agenda and last meeting minutes (09:35)

2. Fish Health (09:40)

- Animal Health Law (09:40)
 - Update by Fiona Geogheghan (DG SANTE)
 - Exchange of views with the Working Group members
- ii. EU regulation 2019/06 on veterinary medicine products for aquaculture (10:05)
 - Update on the oral dosing of vet meds and the cascade system by **Niall Gerlitz (DG MARE)** and **Dries Minne (DG SANTE)**
 - Update by Andrea Fabris (Chair) on Focus Group activities
 - Exchange of views with the Working Group members
- iii. Health management of farmed fish (10:30)
- Update by Andrea Fabris (Chair)
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members and next steps 2

3. Fish feed (10:45)

- Presentation on the possible potential in zooplanktonic/krill utilisation for fish feed by Focus Group leader **Ole Christensen (FEFAC)**
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members and next steps

4. Octopus (11:10)

- Update on Focus Group activities by Paul Denekamp (Vissenbescherming)
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members









5. Domestication in aquaculture (11:20)

- Update on Focus group activities by Focus Group leader Ana Granados (EFFAB)
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members and next steps

// COFFEE BREAK 11:30 - 11:40 //

6. Fish Welfare (11.40)

- i. European Parliament report on fish welfare (11:15)
- Presentation of PECH Committee report "Animal welfare of farmed fish" by **Prof. Michalis Pavlidis** (University of Crete)
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members

NEW POINT ii . Fish Welfare Reference Center

- Presentation of the priorities set by the winning consortium by Prof. Michalis Pavlidis
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members and next steps

7. Eels (12:05)

- Update on Focus Group activities and seminar conclusions by Andrea Fabris (Chair)
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members
- **8. Finfish research results:** Moving towards Precision Breeding in European aquaculture: AQUA-FAANG results and their impact (12:30)
- Presentation of the project's final results by the Coordinator **Sigbjorn Lien (Norwegian University of Life Sciences NMBU)**
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members
- 9. AOB & conclusions (12:55)





