

Aquaculture Advisory Council

WORKING GROUP 3 Meeting

Tuesday & Wednesday 3 and 4 June 2025

Copa-Cogeca – 61 rue de Trèves 1000 Brussels

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First day – 14:00

Welcome words by the Chair Charlotte Epinay (14:00)

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

2. DG MARE updates (14:10)

- Presentation by **Emilia Gargallo Gonzalez**, DG MARE, "Aquaculture Team"
- Strategic Guidelines actions, Guidance Documents and Mid-term assessment
- Evaluation of the CFP
- Vision for Fisheries and Aquaculture in 2040
- European Oceans Pact
- Upcoming technical studies
- New research projects on regenerative aquaculture
- Exchange of views with the members

3. EU Communication campaign uptake (14:40)

- Presentation by **Charlotte Gugenheim** (DG MARE)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

4. Presentation on the Vision for Agriculture and Food (15:10)

- Presentation by DG AGRI (tbc)
- Exchange of views with the members
- Presentation of a draft recommendation on the place of aquaculture in an EU Food Strategy by **FG leader Charlotte Epinay** (Eurogroup for animals)
- Exchange of views with the members and adoption of the recommendation

/// COFFEE BREAK: 15:50 - 16:05 ///



5. Commission's evaluation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (16:05)

- Presentation by **Javier Villar-Burke** (DG Environment)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

6. Research for aquaculture (16:40)

- Presentation of a draft recommendation on Research and Innovation Priorities, including Dissemination, Communication and Exploitation by **FG leader David Bassett (EATIP)**
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

7. Mid-term evaluation of the new Strategic Guidelines (17:10)

- Update on Focus Group activities by FG Leader **Brian Thomsen (Danish aquaculture)**
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

End of first meeting day: 17:30

Second day – 9:30

8. Use of satellite data for aquaculture (9:30)

- Presentation of a draft recommendation by FG leader **Lorenzo Gennari (AMA)**
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

9. Industrial contaminants (09:55)

- Presentation of a draft recommendation by **FG leaders Andrea Fabris (API), Marine Levadoux (CIPA) and Thibault Pivetta (EMPA)**
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

10. AAC WG3 Strategic Plan (10:20)

- Presentation by **the secretariat**
- Approval of the Strategic Plan for 2025-2026

/// COFFEE BREAK: 10:50 – 11:05 ///



11. The 2024 aquaculture economic report (STECF 24-14) (11:05)

- Presentation by **Rasmus Nielsen** (Chair, Expert Working Group)
- Exchange of views by the members and decision on next steps

12. Technical studies to be carried out by external rapporteurs for year 2025-2026 (11:35)

- Presentation by **Charlotte Epinay** (Chair)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

13. Vision for the EU Fisheries and Aquaculture in 2040 (11:55)

- Presentation by **Charlotte Epinay** (Chair)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

14. AOB and conclusions of the WG3 meeting (12:15)

End of the meeting: 12:20

