

Aquaculture Advisory Council

WORKING GROUP 2 «Shellfish» Meeting

Wednesday 10 June 2026 | 09.30 – 13.00
Copa-Cogeca – 61 rue de Trèves 1000 Brussels
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Draft Agenda v. 05/05/2026

Welcome words by Chair Lorenzo Gennari (09:30)

1. Approval of the agenda and last meeting's minutes (09:35)

- Presentation of minutes modifications
- Approval of minutes and draft agenda

2. ~~DG MARE's bivalve aquaculture strategy (09:40)~~

- ~~Update by Birgit Van Tongeren (DG MARE) on the different developments regarding low-trophic aquaculture (shellfish and algae farming)~~
- ~~Exchange of views with the members and decision on a strategy for the development of bivalve farming~~

3. Norovirus (09:40)

- Presentation by Nicolas Boudaud (Oxyvir II - *online*) and Audrey Lainé (CNC)
- Exchange of information on the latest news
- Exchange of views with the Working Group members and decision on next steps

4. Potentials and constraints in the implementation of restorative aquaculture (10:15)

- Presentation on the draft recommendation by Hein SAS (NORA)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

5. Roadmap to scaling up *Ostrea edulis* hatchery production in Europe (10:55)

- Presentation by Philine zu Ermgassen (Native Oyster Network – *in situ*)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps



// COFFEE BREAK 11:30 – 11:40//

6. Ocean acidification and shellfish (11:40)

- Presentation by **Sam Dupont** (*in situ*)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

7. Indicators on economic and social performances of shellfish aquaculture (12:05)

- Presentation of the draft recommendation by **Thibault Pivetta** (EMPA)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

8. Molluscan welfare (12:25)

- State of play of Focus Group discussions by **Paul Denekamp** (Vissenbescherming)
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

9. AAC WG2 Strategic Plan (12:30)

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

10. AOB & conclusions (12:40)

- Predators strategy
- *Tour de table* – severe episodes linked to climate change

End of the meeting: 13.00

