

Aquaculture Advisory Council

WORKING GROUP 3 Meeting

Tuesday 09 June 2026 (10:00-17:00)
Copa-Cogeca – 61 rue de Trèves 1000 Brussels
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Welcome words by the Chair Charlotte Epinay (10:00)

1. Adoption of the agenda (10:05)

2. DG MARE updates (10:10)

- Presentation by **Emilia Gargallo**, DG MARE, "Aquaculture Team"
- Strategic Guidelines actions, Guidance Documents and Mid-term assessment
- Ocean Pact and related files including the Ocean Act and EU Sustainable Aquaculture Partnership
- Vision for Fisheries and Aquaculture in 2040
- CFP reform evaluation
- MFF and crisis mechanism
- Upcoming technical studies
- EU communication campaign on aquatic food to be launched in 2027
- **Exchange of views** with the members

3. Evaluation of the Common Fisheries Policy (11:00)

- Introduction by **AAC Chair Brian Thomsen** of its strategy for the next steps
- Exchange of views with the members

4. Predators (11:40) - tbc

- Introduction by the **secretariat**
- Exchange of views with the members and decisions on next steps

/// LUNCH BREAK: 12:20 – 13:30 ///

5. Water (13:30)

- Presentation by **Mr. Nikolaos Georgiadis** from DG ENV Unit C1 (Sustainable Freshwater Management) on the Water Resilience Strategy implementation, the evolutions and revision of the





Water Framework Directive and the newly adopted implementation Guidance

- **Exchange of views** with the members in view of drafting a new recommendation
- **Decision** on rapporteur and next steps

6. Sustainable aquaculture (14:00)

- Presentation of the discussion and potential recommendation by **Javier Ojeda (FEAP)**
- Exchange of views with the AAC members
- Decision on next steps

7. MFF – Exchange in view of an AAC contribution (14:40)

- Presentation “Navigating the new MFF approach for - Mapping threats and opportunities for the aquaculture sector” by **Pavel Salz (online)**
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

/// COFFEE BREAK: 15:10 - 15:25 ///

8. AAC work – feedback on the evaluation questionnaire (15:25)

- Presentation of important feedback by the Secretariat and the AAC Chair
- Exchange of views with the members and decision on next steps

9. AAC WG3 Strategic Plan (16:00)

- Presentation by the **secretariat**
- Approval of the Strategic Plan for 2026-2027

10. Update on ongoing WG3 work by the Chair (16:25)

- Follow up on the AAC Recommendation on Small Scale Aquaculture
- Ocean Board

11. AOB and conclusions of the WG3 meeting (16:55)

End of the meeting: 17:00



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