

<u>AGENDA</u>

22nd meeting of LDAC Working Group 5 HORIZONTAL ISSUES

Thursday 8 March 2018, 09.00 – 17.00h Hotel NH Brussels EU Berlaymont - Boulevard Charlemagne 11-19. Schuman.

MORNING SESSION (09.00 - 13.00 h)

- 1. Welcome and opening by the Chair.
- 2. Adoption of the minutes of the last WG5 meeting Brussels, 8 November 2017.
- 3. Adoption of the agenda.

4. Report from European Commission on Trade Agreements EU - third countries

- 4.1. State of play of Economic Partnership Agreements (EPA) between the EU and third countries: Interim EPA with ACP countries; and negotiations on full EPAs.
- 4.2. EU negotiations with third countries (Indonesia, Japan...) and organisations (Mercosur...) and modernisation of existing agreements (Mexico, Chile)
- 4.3. Annual report on implementation of Generalised Scheme of Preferences (GSP+) with Philippines and other countries.

5. Follow up of implementation stage of the EU Regulation on Sustainable Management of EU External Fishing Fleets ("SMEFF"): practical issues.

6. Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing.

- 6.1. EC update on IUU "yellow" and "red" Carding System and process.
- 6.2. Proposal from the MAC. Way forward and actions to follow.



LUNCH BREAK (13:00-14:00 h)

AFTERNOON SESSION (14.00 - 17.00 h)

7. Review of Fisheries Control Systems

7.1 Update on work progress for developing an EC Proposal for Regulation

7.2 Proposal on enhancing coherence with IUU, SMEFF & Imports Regulations

8. International Ocean Governance and Blue Growth.

8.1. Draft LDAC position on implementation of CFP External Dimension (RFMOs, fishing agreements, transparency of fishing activities in international waters...)

8.2. Debate on deep-sea mining in international waters.

8.3. Prohibition of harmful subsidies to fishing activities.

8.4. Update from DG MARE on BBNJ Process - Biodiversity Beyond Areas of National Jurisdiction.

8.5 Proposal of LDAC letter on "Governance of Scientific bodies for evaluation and quality for scientific assessments in the BBNJ process"

9. Update on LDAC involvement at FARFISH H2020 Project.

10. Date and venue for next WG5 meeting.