

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR MARITIME AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

The Director-General

Brussels, 28 February 2022 MARE/D3-E3/PCO(2022)

## Subject: your letter on the LDAC support to DG MARE work

Dear Mr. López,

Many thanks for your letter acknowledging your support to DG MARE, and stressing how much you appreciate our attendance to your meetings and the comprehensive replies to your advices.

I can assure you that the Commission will continue working with Advisory Councils with the same level of commitment. We appreciate the hard work of Advisory Councils. You are an essential governance tool for the Common Fisheries Policy to ensure comprehensive stakeholder consultation. You have the knowledge and expertise that we need for the development and implementation of the Policy. The procedures we are currently putting in place to ensure a better planning of ACs meetings go in that way and will facilitate DG MARE participation to your meetings whenever necessary.

Let me thank you for your commitment. I am looking forward to our continued fruitful cooperation. Should you have any question on this reply, please contact Ms Pascale COLSON, coordinator of the Advisory Councils (Pascale.COLSON@ec.europa.eu; +32.2.295.62.73), who will forward it to relevant colleagues.

Yours sincerely,

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