DRAFT AGENDA (VERSION: 30 SEPT)

38th meeting of LDAC Working Group 1
Highly Migratory (Tuna and Tuna-like) Stocks and its RFMOs

Wednesday 14th October 2026, 14:30-17:30h CET / GMT+1
Venue: *Hotel NH Brussels EU Berlaymont*
Bd Charlemagne 11/19, 1000 Bruxelles

14:30h

1. **Welcome by the Chair.**
2. **Adoption of the minutes from the last WG1 meeting – Brussels, 10 March 2026.**
3. **Adoption of the agenda.**

WORK ON TUNA RFMOs

14:45h

4. **ICCAT – Atlantic Ocean.**
   4.1. Overview of state of tropical tuna stocks (Gorka Merino)
   4.2. Report by LDAC WG1 Chair on outcomes of EC technical meeting with stakeholders (7 Oct) in preparation of ICCAT annual meeting 2026.
   4.3. Summary of LDAC advice and update on work on sharks.
   4.4. Update by LDAC Secretary on joint AC collaboration.

15:15h

5. **WCPFC- Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission:**
   5.1. Discussion by WG1 members on draft advice in preparation for the 23rd Regular Session Commission (Vanuatu, 30Nov - 4Dec. 2026)
   5.2. Next steps and timeline for adoption

15:35h

6. **IOTC – Indian Ocean Tuna Commission.**
   6.1. Debriefing from DG MARE on the outcomes of last IOTC annual meeting and update on work priorities ahead of next IOTC annual meeting
   6.2. Next steps by the LDAC

HEALTH BREAK 16:00-16:15h

HORIZONTAL TOPICS ON RFMOs

16:15h

7. **Discussion by WG1 members on EU Strategy on External Fisheries Action: identification of specific topics for WG1 (including RFMOs)**

16:35h

8. **Presentation of ITUNESS project (AZTI / IEO-CSIC / IRD)**

16.55h

9. **EJF´s presentation on the report:**
   "Cut & Run: Exposing Senegal as a gateway for the global shark fin trade"

17.15h

10. **Compilation of best practices within tuna RFMOs for BBNJ process.**

CLOSING OF THE MEETING (17:30h)