

AGENDA

SEMINAR

**THE EVALUATION OF THE COMMON
FISHERIES POLICY (CFP):
EXTERNAL DIMENSION**



13th May 2025 (14:00h)
14th May 2025 (09:00h)



Venue:

Edificio El Tinglado del
Puerto de Vigo

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AGENDA- Tuesday 13th May 2025

14:00h O P E N I N G o f t h e S e m i n a r

14:15h Day 1: INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE

14:30h SESSION I · The role of the European Union in the International Ocean Governance, Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMOs) and Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)

- Transparency
- European Oceans Pact
- Role of RFMOs
- How to strengthen the external dimension of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP)
- Implications of stakeholders in CFP evaluation

Exchange with participants and Q&A

16:30h COFFEE BREAK

17:00h SESSION II · Towards a new generation of Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs) and Fishing Investments in Third Countries

- The necessary coherence between future SFPAs and development cooperation
- Towards a regional approach to fisheries partnerships in Africa (harmonisation of conditions at regional level)
- Fishing joint ventures
- Sectoral support

Exchange with participants and Q&A

19:00h CLOSURE OF DAY 1

AGENDA- Wednesday 14th May 2025

09:00h DAY 2: IMPLEMENTING EUROPEAN UNION PRINCIPLES

09:30h SESSION III · How to strengthen the fight against illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing

- Presentation of the global study on the 6000 largest fishing vessels and their beneficial ownership and how this affects ocean governance
- The role of “big” fishing nations (China, Japan, USA) to prevent IUU fishing activities
- Achievements and implementation of IUU tools (IT-Catch progress)

Exchange with participants and Q&A

11:30h COFFEE BREAK

12:00h SESSION IV · Social Issues

- Security, access and right to food
- Due diligence
- Ban forced labour

Exchange with participants and Q&A

13:30h LUNCH BREAK

15:00h SESSION V · How to leverage the power of the European Union ´s market in the future

- Access to market versus fishing ground
- Level playing field
- Sustainability criteria in trade agreements and ATQs
- Coherence between market and fisheries policies

Exchange with participants and Q&A

17:00h CONCLUSIONS and CLOSURE of the Seminar

Information note about the LDAC

The Long Distance Advisory Council (LDAC) is an EU fisheries stakeholder body which provides evidence based advice to the European Commission and EU Member States on matters related to Fisheries Agreements with Third Countries, relations with Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs) in which the EU is a contracting party, or with international organizations in whose waters the EC Fleet operates, as well as other policy aspects such as fight against IUU fishing, social dimension or labour rights.

The LDAC is currently made up of 54 member organisations representing the fishing sector (including catching, processing and marketing sectors, and trade unions), and other groups of interest (environmental NGOs and civil society) from 12 EU coastal Member States.

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