

Meet Our Members

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When did you start to participate in LDAC meetings? What is your motivation for participating in them?

Since its establishment. Given that EBCD is actively participating in various international Fisheries and environmental organizations and conventions I was very interested in all the issues the LDAC is covering.

What are in your view the three main priorities/current challenges for achieving sustainable fisheries?

Dialogue and narrowing the gap between the environmental NGOs and the fishing industry.

Can you name an inspiring figure in your field of expertise? Serge Garcia, president of the IUCN Fisheries Expert Group.

Which book, radio show, TV series or film related to the sea would you recommend?

Ernesto Penas book on the CFP.

What is your favourite fish dish and why?

Red mullet of the Mediterranean, it was an important fish in my childhood in Greece.