



LONG DISTANCE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Mid-term report LDAC Y13

1 June – 30 November 2019

**LDAC Executive Committee
Madrid, 28th November 2019**



Administration and Finances

Update on Y13 accounts

1 June 2019 – 31 May 2020



Budget Y13– Income

| | Predicted Budget June 19-May 20 | Actual Income at 25-11-19 |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 11 Member States (€2,021 each) | € 22,231 | € 12,126 (6 MS) |
| Spain | € 139,810 | € 139,810 |
| European Commission | € 300,000 | € 120,000 |
| Members Fees 25 ExCom x €600 | €15,000 | € 12,600 (21 Ex Com members) |
| 56 GA x €300 | € 16,800 | € 14,400 (48 GA members) |
| TOTAL | € 493,841 | € 298,936 |

Budget Y13 – Expenditure

| Category (Budget Headings) | Predicted Budget 19-20 | Spent at 25-11-19 |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|
| Staff | € 189,900 | €89,927 |
| Participation in meetings | € 125,900 | €22,482 |
| Information and preparation of meetings | € 44,000 | €9,354 |
| Operating Costs (overheads) | €41,600 | €14,100 |
| Translation / Interpretation | € 60,741 | €22,201 |
| Other Contracts (incl. PR) | € 26,700 | €2,916 |
| Reserve | € 5,000 | €0,00 |
| Total | €493,841 | 160,980 |



Financial overview- Year 12

The LDAC Financial Year 12 was successfully audited and closed on 18 July 2019 and the final balance was paid by the Commission on 26 September 2019.

Accounts were subsequently submitted to and approved in October 2019 by the LDAC members and the Commission.



Timetable for Grant - Year 13

- December 2019

Mid-term report to be presented once 70% of first instalment of EUR 120,000 has been completed. Request of 2nd instalment (payment of EUR 120,000) expected to be received by January-February 2020.

- April 2020

Request for amendment with end-of-year adjustments of the budget to be sent to the Commission with the updated income and expenses.



Timetable for Grant - Year 13

- 31 May 2020

Financial closure of the budgetary year.

- 30 June 2020

Deadline for processing outstanding payments.

- Mid July 2020

Account control process for audit certificate.

- End July 2020

Financial statement to be issued and final report to be sent to the EC for approval.

LDAC Advice and Letters

1 June 2019 - 30 November 2019





LDAC Advice/Letters on Y13

| TITLE /WG | ADOPTION DATE | EC REPLY DATE |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| LDAC advice in preparation for NAFO 41st annual meeting on management of demersal stocks and ecosystem considerations (WG2) | 13 Sep 2019 | |
| LDAC Recommendations in relation to ICCAT 26 th annual meeting on Atlantic Tuna and Tuna-Like Stocks (WG1) | 15 Nov 2019 | |
| Draft advice on disciplining harmful fisheries subsidies | TBA | |
| Draft advice on illegal practices of Ghana and Senegal (based on Eurôpeche letter) | TBA | |
| Draft advice on International Fisheries Governance | TBA | |



LDAC Advice/Letters on Y13

| TITLE /WG | ADOPTION DATE | EC REPLY DATE |
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| Draft proposal on level playing field (complementing MAC advice) | TBA | |
| Draft advice on social and labour conditions in the fishing value chain (European Social Dialogue Committee) | TBA | |
| Draft advice requesting the need of transposing international instruments on maritime safety at sea | TBA | |
| Draft letter for the EC on the need of transposing NAFO regulations into European legislation | TBA | |
| Draft opinion on FAO guidance on the social responsibility of fisheries in the value chain (to be presented in COFI-FAO 2020) | TBA | |



Request letters from other Acs

| TITLE /WG | ADOPTION DATE | EC REPLY DATE |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Joint ACs letter on flexibility in receipt of instalments | TBA TODAY??? | |
| Joint ACs letter on EMFF funding for scientific research projects | TBA TODAY??? | |

Report on Meetings Year 13

Past meetings:

1 June 2019 - 30 November 2019

Next Meetings:

1 December 2019 - 31 May 2020



Meetings Y13

LDAC PLENARY MEETINGS

- LDAC Working Groups 1, 4 and Executive Committee - Brussels, 6 Nov 2019
- LDAC Working Group 5 – Brussels, 7 November 2019
- LDAC Working Group 2 – London, 11 November 2019
- LDAC Executive Committee – Madrid, 28 November 2019

EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY LDAC SECRETARIAT AND/OR MEMBERS

June, July & August 2019

- STECF EWG 19-02 on Annual Economic Report of EU fishing fleet – Dublin
- FAO Dialogue on Social Responsibility in the Fisheries Value Chain - Rome
- SGP coordination meeting on International Fisheries Governance- Madrid
- 25th International Seabed Authority (ISA) Council - Kingston
- EC technical preparatory meeting for NAFO 2019 - Brussels

September 2019

- LDAC Coordination meeting WGs Chair & Vice-Chairs, Madrid
- China-EU Blue Partnership Forum, Brussels
- SGP coordination meeting on International Fisheries Governance - Madrid
- 1st coordination meeting with EC to prepare the 2019 UNGA Resolution on Sustainable Fisheries - Brussels
- World Tuna Conference (ANFACO) - Vigo
- LDAC annual coordination meeting with FAO - Rome
- NAFO Annual meeting – Bordeaux

Meetings Y13

October 2019

- FAO International Symposium on Social Responsibility & Conxemar Fair - Vigo
- COMHAFAT Seminar "Access to decent & secure jobs in fisheries in West Africa"
- DG MARE Workshop on fisheries and aquaculture product traceability - Brussels
- EC preparatory meeting for ICCAT annual meeting - Brussels
- EFCA Advisory Board - Vigo
- IMO Conference on 25th Anniversary of Torremolinos Protocol - Torremolinos
- 2nd coordination mtg on UNGA Resolution on Sustainable Fisheries – Brussels

November 2019

- Pre- Inter AC (Chair: LDAC Secretary) & Inter AC meeting - Brussels
- FAO International Symposium on Fisheries Sustainability - Rome
- ICCAT 26th Annual meeting - Palma de Mallorca



NEXT LDAC MEETINGS 2020

- Annual Meeting between ICES and the ACs (MIAC – Co-Chair: LDAC)
- Annual Coordination Meeting between ACs and Other Stakeholders (MIACO) - Copenhagen 16-17 January 2019
- LDAC-COMHAFAT Annual Coordination meeting – Rabat, Jan/Feb TBC
- LDAC Working Groups 1-2-3-4-5 – Brussels, March/April TBC
- LDAC General Assembly and Executive Committee – May TBC



Procedure for Election Chairs & Vice-Chairs of the WGs

The Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Working Groups will be elected amongst its membership at each respective Working Group:

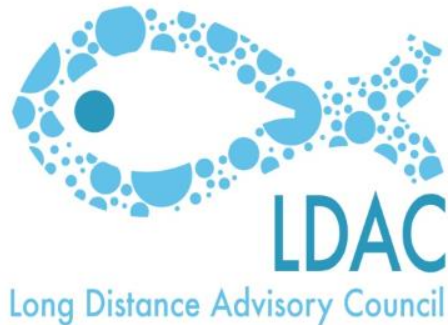
In accordance with LDAC rules of procedure, *Tittle III, article XXVI*:

“... Each Working Group shall appoint a chair and a vice chair amongst its members...”

The suggested procedure (to be approved today) is:

The Secretariat will act as coordinator.

- Launch a call of interest for Chair and Vice Chairs in early 2020 (Jan-Feb)
- Inform on applications of interest received in writing before the meeting
- In case there is more than one candidate for the same position, a secret vote (by ballot) will take place at the forthcoming Working Group meeting in March-April 2020.



THANK YOU – ANY QUESTIONS?

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