



AGENDA

22nd meeting of LDAC Working Group 4 Bilateral Fisheries Agreements with third countries

Wednesday 7 March 2018, 14:30 - 17:30h

Hotel NH Brussels EU Berlaymont - Boulevard de Charlemagne 11-19 - Rond Schuman

- 1- Welcome and Opening by the Chair.**
- 2- Adoption of the report of the last WG4 meeting – Brussels, 19 October 2017.**
- 3- Adoption of the agenda.**
- 4- Update by DG MARE on state of play of negotiations and technical meetings held by the Commission on behalf of the EU in matters pertaining to bilateral fisheries agreements with third countries. Overview of implementation of SFPAs.**
 - 4.1. Atlantic Ocean
 - 4.2. Indian Ocean
 - 4.3. Pacific Ocean
- 5- Debate on role of fishing agents and brokers in Africa linked to the SFPAs.**
- 6- Ideas on how to improve the implementation of SFPAs and its links and coherence with cooperation for development policy.**
 - 6.1. Regional Workshops on Atlantic and Indian Oceans.
 - 6.2. Key elements to be included:
 - Communication of value of SFPA
 - Examples of best practices
 - Socio-economic impacts and benefits in third country economies.
 - Sectorial support of SFPAs
- 7- Collaboration and Partnership between the LDAC and ATLAFCO/COMHAFAT:**
 - 7.1. Outcomes of the Annual Coordination Meeting (Madrid, 31 Jan. 2018)
 - 7.2. Joint initiatives and actions planned for 2018
- 8- Update on Fisheries Transparency Initiative (FiTI).**
- 9- Date and venue for next WG4 meeting.**