

<u>AGENDA</u>

21st meeting of LDAC Working Group 4 Bilateral Fisheries Agreements with third countries

Thursday 19 October 2017, 14:00 – 18:30h Silken Berlaymont Hotel – Boulevard de Charlemagne 11 – 19. Brussels

- 1- Welcome and Opening by the Chair.
- 2- Adoption of the report of the last WG4 meeting Brussels, 6 April 2017.
- 3- Adoption of the agenda.
- 4- EU Policy Coherence between Fisheries and Cooperation for Development.

Update by the European Commission on:

- 4.1. IOC/SMARTFISH Project: regional observer programme in Indian Ocean.
- 4.2. PESCAO Project: international cooperation on Regional Governance and Fight against IUU Fishing in the Gulf of Guinea.
- 4.3. Fisheries Governance Project on Strengthening Institutional Capacity to Enhance Governance of the Fisheries Sector in Africa.
- 4.4. European Development Fund: links with fisheries agreements.
- 5- Report from 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.
 - 5.1. Atlantic Ocean
 - 5.2. Indian Ocean
 - 5.3. Pacific Ocean



6- The role of fishing agents in Africa and their impact on sustainable fisheries

7- Update on FiTI Project

- 7.1. Outcomes of II Annual Conference Bali, 27 April 2017
- 7.2. Work progress from signatory FiTI countries
- 7.3 Composition and tasks of the FiTI International Group
- 7.4. Calendar of forthcoming meetings/events.

8- Collaboration and Partnership between the LDAC and ATLAFCO/COMHAFAT:

8.1. Outcomes of the "Think Tank" meeting on Piracy in the Atlantic Ocean (Tangier, 18-19 September 2017)

8.2. 10th COMHAFAT Ministerial Conference (Abidjan, early 2018)

8.3. Work priorities and areas for future cooperation for inclusion at next Annual Coordination Meeting LDAC-ATLAFCO/COMHAFAT (January 2018)

9- Other issues requested by members / observers / Secretary:

- 9.1. Establishment of an ad hoc working session with DG MARE on the sectoral support of SFPAs (including transparency in use of funds, gender equality issues and role of women in local development).
- 9.2. Report of 5th ACP Fisheries and Aquaculture Ministers meeting (Bahamas, 18-19 September 2017).
- 9.3. FARFISH H2020 Project: case studies in third countries.

10- Date and venue for next WG4 meeting.