

# The Trawler

## TOP NEWS – JULY 2018

### COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

Wednesday 11 July 2018, 9.00 - 12.30 and 14.30 - 18.30

in Brussels, Room ASP 1G-2

### HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Consideration of the draft report on the “Multiannual plan for fish stocks in the Western Waters and adjacent waters and for fisheries exploiting those stocks”
- ▶ Exchange of views with Thomas Oberreiter, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Permanent Representative of Austria to the EU on the priorities of the Austrian Presidency
- ▶ Exchange of views with Virachai Plasai, Thai ambassador and head negotiator on illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing
- ▶ Presentation of the study “Training of Fishers” organised by the policy department
- ▶ Adoption of the draft opinion on “Port reception facilities for the delivery of waste from ships”

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### Agenda

Next Fisheries Committee meeting:

**29 August 2018**

Next public hearing:

“Landing obligation: state of play before its full implementation in January 2019”

**9 October 2018**

## WORDS FROM THE CHAIR



*Alain CADEC*  
*Chair of Committee on Fisheries*

Dear Colleagues,

Dear Friends,

This upcoming Committee meeting is the last one before the summer break.

On this occasion, we welcome the Austrian Presidency-in-office for an exchange of views on the key files that could be dealt with in inter-institutional negotiations under their Presidency. Indeed, management plans for fish stocks in the Western Waters, for small pelagic stocks in the Adriatic Sea and for demersal stocks in the Western Mediterranean Sea are currently under discussion in the European Parliament and also the "trilogue" negotiations on the Technical measures file are still ongoing and should hopefully be concluded after the summer recess. This meeting sets a particular focus on the "Western waters" multiannual management plan: the draft report to be presented to the Committee will underline in particular the need for more long-term predictability in the management of these stocks, which would benefit the whole fishing sector as well as the resources.

We have also received from the European Commission two long-awaited legislative referrals: the proposal for the new European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) and the revision of the Control Regulation. Both files are of huge importance for the fisheries sector and have to be assessed carefully.

Taking into account all these files at hand, we expect the workload in our Committee to be very high over the coming months.

I wish you all the best in your work and a well-deserved rest during these summer holidays!

Alain CADEC

## ONGOING DOSSIERS

Reports	Rapporteur	Type of procedure	PECH Committee vote	Plenary Session Vote
Multi-annual plan for small pelagic stocks in the Adriatic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks COM(2017)0097 - C8-0095/2017 <a href="#">2017/0043(COD)</a> PECH/8/09349	Tomasic	COD	24/9/2018	NOV
Establishing multi-annual plan for the fisheries exploiting demersal stocks in the Western Mediterranean Sea COM(2018)115 <a href="#">2018/0050(COD)</a> PECH/8/12491	Aguilera	COD	21/11/2018	APR 2019
Multi-annual plan for fish stocks in the Western Waters and adjacent waters and for fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Regulation (EU) 2016/1139 establishing a multiannual plan for the Baltic Sea and repealing Regulations (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007 and (EC) No 1300/2008 COM(2018)0149 - C8-0126/2018 <a href="#">2018/0074 (COD)</a> PECH/8/12613	Cadec	COD	8/10/2018	MAR I 2019
Certain provisions fishing in the GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) Agreement area COM(2018)0143 - C8 - 0123/2018 <a href="#">2018/0069 (COD)</a> PECH/8/12617	Engström	COD	21/11/2018	MAR II or APR 2019 (TBC)
Multiannual recovery plan for Mediterranean swordfish COM(2018)0229 - C8-0162/2018 <a href="#">2018/0109 (COD)</a> PECH/8/12919	Affronte	COD	21/11/2018	MAR II or APR 2019 (TBC)
Fisheries control COM(2018)368 - <a href="#">2018/0193 (COD)</a> PECH/8/13412	Thomas	COD	27/11/2018	DEC
European Maritime and Fisheries Fund COM(2018)0390 - C8-0270/2018 <a href="#">2018/0210(COD)</a> PECH/8/13776	Mato	COD	21-22/11/2018	TBC
NLE Reports	Rapporteur	Type of procedure	PECH Committee vote	Plenary Session vote
Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire and the European Community (2018- 2024) COM(2018) 503 final 2018/0267 (NLE)	TBC	NLE	TBC	TBC
Reports adopted in PECH awaiting 1st/2nd reading agreements	Rapporteur	Type of procedure	PECH Committee vote	Plenary Session Vote
Conservation of fishery resources and protection of marine ecosystems through technical measures	Mato	COD	21/11/2017	JAN 2018

COM(2016)0134 final - <a href="#">2016/0074(COD)</a> PECH/8/06008				
INI Reports	Rapporteur	Type of procedure	PECH Committee vote	Plenary Session vote
Opinions	Rapporteur	Type of procedure	PECH Committee vote	Vote Lead Committee
EU/Morocco Agreement on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products, fish and fishery products COM(2015)0446 final - <a href="#">2015/0203(NLE)</a> PECH/8/04498	Van Dalen	NLE	New referral expected	INTA (TBC)
Budget 2019 <a href="#">2018/2046(BUD)</a> PECH/8/12657	Cadec	BUD	29/8/2018	BUDG (TBC)
Port reception facilities for the delivery of waste from ships, repealing Directive 2000/59/EC and amending Directive 2009/16/EC and Directive 2010/65/EU COM(2018)0033 - <a href="#">2018/0012(COD)</a> PECH/8/	Monteiro	COD	11/7/2018	TRAN 9/10/2018
European strategy for plastics in a circular economy <a href="#">COM(2018)0028</a> PECH/8/12439	Flack	INI	20/6/2018	ENVI 10/7/2018
Transparency and sustainability of the EU risk assessment in the food chain COM(2018)179 final - 2018/0088(COD) PECH/8/12787	Serrao Santos	COD	24/9/2018	ENVI (8/11/2018)
Reduction of the impact of certain plastic products on the environment COM(2018)0340 - 2018/0172(COD) PECH/8/13274	TBC	COD	24/9/2018	ENVI (10/10/2018)
<a href="#">Multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027</a> COM(2018)0322 - 2018/0166(APP) PECH/8/13200	TBC	COD	TBC	BUDG (TBC)
<a href="#">Common Provisions Regulation</a> COM(2018)0375 - 2018/0196(COD) PECH/8/13506	TBC	COD	TBC	REGI (TBC)
<a href="#">ERDF and Cohesion Fund</a> COM(2018)0372 - 2018/0197(COD) PECH/8/13823	TBC	COD	TBC	REGI (TBC)
<a href="#">European Social Fund</a> COM(2018)0382 - 2018/0206(COD) PECH/8/13824	TBC	COD	TBC	EMPL (27/11/2018)
<a href="#">CAP Amending Regulation</a> COM(2018)0394 - 2018/0218(COD) PECH/8/13825	TBC	COD	TBC	AGRI (TBC)
<a href="#">Programme for the Environment &amp; climate Action(Life)</a> COM(2018)0385 - 2018/0209(COD) PECH/8/13691	TBC	COD	TBC	ENVI (20/11/2018)

<a href="#">Invest EU (Single Investment Fund)</a> COM(2018)0439 - 2018/0229(COD) PECH/8/13692	TBC	COD	TBC	BUDG (TBC)
<a href="#">Horizon Europe</a> COM(2018)0435 - 2018/0224(COD) PECH/8/13689	TBC	COD	TBC	ITRE (TBC)
<b>Oral questions / resolutions</b>	<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Comments</b>		
Snow crab PECH/8/12350	Sten	Adoption September Plenary Rule 132(2)		
Fish welfare PECH/8/12562	Mauro	OQ without motion for a resolution		

*\*Note on procedures:*

**COD:** Ordinary legislative procedure; **CNS:** Consultation; **INI:** Own-Initiative;

**NLE:** Non-legislative (incl. consent to international agreements); **DEC:** Discharge; **BUD:** Budget

# RESEARCH FROM THE POLICY DEPARTMENT 'B':

## REQUESTED:

- **Implementation and impact of the key European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) measures on the CFP**
- **The European eel: reproductive biology, migration and sustainable management**
- **The discard ban and the landing obligation in the Western Mediterranean Sea**
- **Seafood industry integration in the EU (part 2)**

## PUBLISHED (SINCE 2016):

### **CFP and fisheries management**

- *Sustainable blue growth in the EU and opportunities for small-scale fisheries*
- *The management of the fishing fleets in the outermost regions*
- *Seafood Industry Integration in the EU*
- *Socioeconomic role and environmental impact of recreational, subsistence, small-scale and other fisheries in European Union*
- *Impact of fisheries partnership agreements in the development of employment in the EU and in Third countries*
- *Markets of fisheries and aquaculture products: The added value chain and the role of promotion, labelling and consumer information*
- *The discard ban and its impact on the MSY objective on Fisheries*
- *Options of handling choke species in view of the EU landing obligation - the Baltic plaice example*
- *Social and Economic impact of the penalty point system*
- *Regional ocean governance in Europe: the role of fisheries*
- *Marine Recreational and semi subsistence fishing - its values and its impact on fish stocks*

### **Ecologic Impact**

- *none*

### **Stocks**

- *Situation of the clam (*Tapes spp*) fisheries sector in the EU*

### **Structural Policy and economics**

- *Training of fishers*

### **External dimension**

- *Consequences of Brexit for the Common Fisheries Policy*
  - *Legal framework for governance*
  - *Trade and economic related issues*
  - *Resources and fisheries*

### **Mission briefings**

- *Fisheries in Finland (mission 2018)*
- *Fisheries in Cádiz (cancelled mission in 2018)*
- *Fisheries in Mauritania (mission 2018)*
- *Fisheries in Japan (mission 2017)*
- *Fisheries in Guadeloupe (mission 2017)*
- *Fisheries in Madeira (mission 2017)*
- *Fisheries in Thailand (mission 2016)*
- *Fisheries in Norway (mission 2016)*
- *Fisheries in Poland (mission 2016)*
- *Fisheries in Galicia (mission 2016)*
- *Fisheries in Azores / Réunion (missions 2015)*
- *Fisheries in Germany (delegation 2014)*

@ You can access the studies and other documents via this [link](#)

## FISHERIES NEWS IN BRIEF

### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

[News - Press service](#)

### EUROPEAN COMMISSION

[News - Press service](#)

#### **Funding Ocean Energy: new study released (27/6/2018)**

Europe is spearheading the world's ocean energy technology, and has today a strong pipeline of projects for a total capacity of 1 GW.

But it did not accomplish this overnight. According to a [recent Commission study](#), the continent has been spending €3 billion on ocean energy over the last decade. This is the kind of investment required to develop the new technologies, test them both in the lab and at sea, and scale them up to commercial level.

About two thirds of this massive research and development effort was sustained by developers and by the private sector. The remaining third was mobilised by the European Commission and the EU countries to support the developers, adapt harbour infrastructure and generally lay the right conditions for this emerging sector to grow.

The next decade could see the total installed capacity rise to almost 4 GW, with financial needs that would grow accordingly and could reach 9.4 billion euros. Most of the money is expected to go into tidal stream installations; this is to date the more "mature" technology, and promises to offset the high upfront capitals with low operational costs.

The technology is therefore likely to raise more and more money through private loans. The need for public funding, mainly to leverage private capitals and finance research,

would thus shrink to one fourth of the total investment.

If access to and cost of capital remain crucial to move towards the commercial phase, the study shows that there can be no route to market without a stable and predictable public policy on ocean energy and marine space. This was also the case for other renewables, especially offshore wind energy, which provide useful experience to build on.

#### **€566 billion and growing: the EU blue economy is thriving (27/6/2018)**

The EU's Blue Economy – all economic activities related to oceans, seas and coastal areas – is growing steadily, according to the EU's first annual report on the blue economy. With a turnover of € 566 billion, the sector generates € 174 billion of value added and creates jobs for nearly 3.5 million people.

The blue economy represents all economic activities related to our oceans, seas or coastal areas. It covers established sectors such as fisheries, shipbuilding and tourism as well as emerging industries, including ocean energy and biotechnology. In several EU member states, the blue economy has grown faster than the national economy in the last decade. During the financial crisis, the blue economy proved more resilient in those member states, softening the effects of the downturn on coastal economies.

The report presents the current status and recent trends in the six established blue economy sectors in different EU Member States, to gain insight into where new opportunities and sustainable competitive advantage may be found.

The big five, the UK, Spain, Italy, France and Greece have Europe's biggest blue economies. Spain accounts for one fifth of total employment, followed by Italy, the United Kingdom and Greece. Combined, these four



Member States account for more than half of the total blue economy-related jobs.

Among the different sectors, that of the ‘living resources’ (i.e. fisheries, aquaculture and processing) has grown by 22% between 2009-2016. Increased sustainability, thanks to the EU common fisheries policy, plays an important role in this positive development. Also the emerging sectors are booming. The biotechnology sector marks double-digit growth in member states such as Ireland, and employment in the offshore wind industry has jumped from 23.7 thousand in 2009 to 160 thousand in 2016, outnumbering employment of the EU fishing sector.

### More secure seas and oceans for Europe and around the world (26/6/2018)

European ministers have adopted a revised action plan on maritime security. With the new plan, Europe strengthens its commitment to security at sea – both at home and around the world.

Essential in this revised Action Plan:

- an innovative & holistic perspective on maritime security, encompassing terrorism as well as cyber, hybrid, chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear threats in the maritime domain
- introducing a regional approach to a global challenge, allowing for tailor-made responses to security challenges in European sea basins and key hotspots such as the Gulf of Guinea and the Horn of Africa
- protection of critical maritime infrastructure such as ports, ships and energy installations at sea
- stronger collaboration between civilian and military actors, between different agencies and across borders

The action plan follows on from the European Union Maritime Security Strategy (2014), the first comprehensive framework of common principles for the protection of the EU's strategic maritime interests. Today's update will ensure that the EU response remains fit

for current and future challenges in a rapidly changing security environment.

### Unlocking the blue growth potential in the EU's outermost regions (25/06/2018)

On 26 June, experts from the EU's outermost regions join in Brussels to discuss how the blue economy can help give a new, sustainable impetus to their economies. The meeting is the first in its kind and a direct follow-up action of the EU's new strategy towards the outermost regions.

The blue economy covers all economic activity at, near or from our ocean, seas or coasts. It includes fisheries, tourism and aquaculture but also emerging industries such as ocean energy, biotechnology or desalination. However, much of the focus in outermost regions has traditionally been on fisheries and tourism. A [recent study](#) indicates the potential to expand also in the other areas of blue growth, such as algae-based biotechnology.

Before that can happen, several hurdles and bottlenecks need to be resolved – hence the idea to bring the experts from our outermost regions together. A first concern is the current lack of long-term research on their marine resources, including fishing stocks. Without a solid understanding of local ecosystems, it is impossible to manage marine resources and activities sustainably. Other bottlenecks are the insufficient access to financial resources, lack of specialised expertise and the absence of structural coordination.

The EU has several policies in place to support these needs, including the European Fund for Strategic Investments (the ‘Juncker Fund’), Horizon 2020, the Youth Employment Initiative or indeed the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund. In many cases, outermost regions already enjoy favourable conditions to benefit from these schemes. Together with regional experts, the Commission is now looking at how to improve their uptake even further.



**Clean Ocean Energy: 2 new projects to share €1.5 million from the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF)  
(25/6/2018)**

The European Commission has selected two new projects on clean ocean energy for funding under the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF).

While the first tidal farms in European waters are being deployed and more and more devices are being tested in water, the idea of obtaining clean energy through the oceans' waves is also gaining ground. As with all new developments, however, we need to collect data, develop models and thoroughly understand the possible impacts of the new technologies on the marine environment.

To this aim the European Commission has just granted over 1.5 million euros worth of support to two new international projects, which will help understand the interaction between the future devices and the ecosystems. The results will provide guidance to the countries' national authorities, which will one day be called upon to grant access to maritime space and consent ocean energy farms.

This kind of research is one of the critical recommendations of the [Ocean Energy Strategic Roadmap: Building Ocean Energy for Europe](#) and will help reduce environmental risks when licensing future commercial operations.

**COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Next meeting of the  
[Agriculture and Fisheries Council](#)  
16/07/2018**

## TOTAL ALLOWABLE CATCHES

For the 2018 EU total allowable catches in the Atlantic and North Sea, you can consult the [Council website](#).

2018 EU TOTAL ALLOWABLE CATCHES (TACs) IN THE BALTIC SEA						
Name <i>Latin name</i>	ICES FISHING ZONES	COMMISSION proposal			COUNCIL agreement	
		TACs 2017	2018	2018	TACs 2018	variation
		in tonnes	in tonnes	variation	in tonnes	in %
Bothnian herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 30-31	140.998	70.817	-50%	84 599	-40%
Western herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-24	28.401	12.987	-54%	17 309	-39%
Central herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 25-27, 28.2, 29, 32	191.129	238.229	+25%	229 355	+20%
Riga herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivision 28-1	31.074	28.999	-7%	28 999	-7%
Eastern cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 25-32	30.857	22.275	-28%	28 388	-8%
Western cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-24	5.597	5.597	0%	5 597	0%
Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-32	7.862	6.272	-20%	7 076	-10%
Main basin salmon <i>Salmo salar</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-31	95.928	106.096	+11%	91 132	-5%
Gulf of Finland salmon <i>Salmo salar</i>	Baltic Sea subdivision 32	10.485	10.003	-5%	10 003	-5%
Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Baltic Sea subdivisions 22-32	260.993	262.310	+1%	262 310	+1%

**Legend: Latin name - English name/ Nom francais/ Deutsche name**

*Clupea harengus* - herring/ hareng/ Hering

*Gadus morhua* - cod/ morue/ Dorsch

*Pleuronectes platessa* - plaice/ plie/ Scholle

*Salmo salar* - Atlantic salmon/ saumon atlantique/ Lachs

*Sprattus sprattus* - sprat/ sprat/ Sprotte

## MEETINGS OF THE ADVISORY COUNCILS

RAC	DATE	PLACE	TYPE
NS AC	23/8/2018	Copenhagen	Control Focus Group
BS AC	23/8/2018	Copenhagen	Joint Demersal + Pelagic WG
ICES	28/8-3/9/2018	Faroe Islands	WG on widely distributed stocks
AAC	30/8/2018	Paris	ExCom
BS AC	4/9/2018	Copenhagen	Ecosystem based management WG
ICES	5-12/9/2018	Krakow	Joint WG with EIFAAC and GFCM on eels(
AAC	13/9/2018	Brussels	GA
NWW AC	13-14/9/2018	Dublin	NWW AC meetings
NS AC	20/9/2018	Brussels	ExCom
NS AC	2/10/2018	Gothenburg	Skagerrak and Kattegat WG
PEL AC	2/10/2018	Den Haag	WG I and II
PEL AC	3/10/2018	Den Haag	GA and ExCom
AAC	3-4/10/2018	Brussels	WG meetings
AAC	17/10/2018	Brussels	ExCom
BS AC	6/11/2018	Gdynia	Extraordinary GA
BS AC	29/1/2019	tbc	ExCom

### Abbreviations:

- NWW AC: North Western Waters Advisory Council ([link](#))
- PEL AC: Pelagic Advisory Council ([link](#))
- NS AC: North Sea Advisory Council ([link](#))
- MED AC: Advisory Council for the Mediterranean ([link](#))
- SWW AC: South Western Waters Advisory Council ([link](#))
- LD AC: Long Distance Fleet Advisory Council ([link](#))
- BS AC: Baltic Sea Advisory Council ([link](#))
- AAC: Aquaculture Advisory Council ([link](#))
- MIRAC: ICES/AC meeting ([link](#))
- **GA:** General Assembly, **ExCom:** Executive Committee, **WG:** Working Group, **FG:** Focus Group

## MAIN INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### NORWAY/FAROE ISLANDS/COASTAL STATES/NEAFC

Date	Organisation	Type of meeting	Venue
<b>September 2018</b>			
4-6 Sep	EU-Norway	Consultations on Technical Measures in Skagerrak	Gothenburg
11-12 Sep	NEAFC	Ad hoc WG on ERS	London
11-13 Sep	Coastal States	WG on MSC	tbc
25-27 Sep	NEAFC	PECMAC	London
28 Sep	NEAFC	WG Statistics	London
<b>October 2018</b>			
Oct	Coastal States	Coastal States annual consultations	London
2-3 Oct	NEAFC	PECMAS	London
<b>November 2018</b>			
13-16 Nov	NEAFC	Annual meeting	London
26-30 Nov	EU-Norway	Consultation on fisheries arrangements for 2019	Bergen
<b>December 2018</b>			
10-12 Dec	EU-Faroe Islands	Consultation on fisheries arrangements for 2019	Brussels

### REGIONAL FISHERIES ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

Date	Organisation	Type of meeting	Venue
<b>July 2018</b>			
9-13 Jul	FAO-COFI	Committee on fisheries 33rd session	Rome
16-20 Jul	ICCAT	Stock assessment BET	Pasaia
16-20 Jul	ISA	Council meeting	Kingston
16-30 Jul/Aug (tbc)	IATTC/AIDCP	Annual meeting	Rome
23-25 Jul	ICCAT	Inter-sessional meeting PA1	Bilbao
23-27 Jul	ISA	Assembly	Kingston
<b>August 2018</b>			
13-17 Aug	NAFO	WG RBMS EAAF	London
16-30 Aug	IATTC / AIDCP	Annual meetings	Guatemala
<b>September 2018</b>			
4-17 Sep	UN	2nd meeting BBNJ Intergovernmental conference	New York
17-21 Sep	NAFO	Annual meeting	Tallinn
18-19 Sep	ICCAT	Port inspection expert group for capacity and assistance	Madrid
20-21 Sep	ICCAT	Meeting of the online reporting technology working group	Madrid
24-28 Sep	ICCAT	SCRS species working group	Madrid
25-26 Sep	GFCM	High level conference on small scale fisheries	Malta
26 Sep - 3 Oct		WCPFC TCC + FADs WG	Majuro

<b>October 2018</b>			
1-4 Oct	UN	First round: informal consultations on UNGA resolution on "Oceans and the law of the sea"	New York
1-5 Oct	ICCAT	SCRS Plenary	Madrid
11-18 Oct	CCSBT	Compliance committee and annual meeting	Noumea, New Caledonia
22 Oct - 2 Nov	CCAMLR	Annual meeting	Hobart, Australia
22-26 Oct	GFCM	Annual meeting	Rome
29-30 Oct	Our Ocean	5th Our Ocean Conference	Bali
tbc	AIDCP	2nd Annual meeting	La Jolla, USA
<b>November 2018</b>			
1-2 Nov	Arctic Council	Senior Arctic officials meeting	Rovaniemi
6-13 Nov	UN	Informal consultations on UNGA resolution on "sustainable fisheries"	New York
10-11 Nov	ICCAT	Intersessional meeting compliance committee	Croatia
12-19 Nov	ICCAT	Annual meeting	Croatia
14-20 Nov	UN	Second round: informal consultations on UNGA resolution on "oceans and the law of the sea"	New York
19-21 Nov	OECD	122nd COFI meeting	Paris
26-30 Nov	SEAFO	Annual meeting	Namibia
<b>December 2018</b>			
3-7	Sharks MoU	Tri-annual meeting	Monaco
3-7	Western & Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC)	Annual meeting	Pohnpei, FSM
10-14	GFCM	Fisheries forum	Rome

## FISHERIES PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS

COUNTRY	EXPIRATION DATE OF CURRENT PROTOCOL	NEXT JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING (JCM) (2018-2019)		NEGOTIATIONS SESSIONS FORECAST 2018		LEGAL PROCESS			
		Date	Location	Date	Location	Estimated date of adoption of proposal for negotiating mandate by the Commission	Estimated date of adoption of negotiating mandate by Council	Estimated date of adoption of Council Decision on signing and provisional application	
Mixed Agreements	<b>Mauritania</b>	<i>15 November 2019</i>	Sept/ Oct	Nouakchott					
	<b>Morocco</b>	<i>14 July 2018</i>	tbc	Rabat	11-15 June 2018	RABAT	21/3/2018	13/04/2018	tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)
	<b>Senegal</b>	<i>19/11/2019</i>	September	Brussels	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Guinea Bissau</b>	<i>Dormant since Nov 2017</i>			tbc	tbc		tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)	tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)
	<b>Greenland</b>	<i>31 December 2020</i>	11-13 July 2018	Nuuk					
WEST AFRICA	<b>Cape-Verde</b>	<i>22 December 2018</i>		Cap Verde	9-10 July 2018	Brussels	March 2018	April 2018	tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)
	<b>Côte d'Ivoire</b>	<i>30 June 2018</i>	Oct - Nov 2018	Abidjan					July 2018
	<b>Gabon</b>	<i>Dormant since July 2016</i>							
	<b>Ghana</b>	<i>No Agreement/Protocol</i>			2d half 2018	tbc			tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)
	<b>Liberia</b>	<i>8 December 2020</i>	4-6 July 2018	Monrovia					Signed on 09/12/2016
	<b>Equatorial Guinea</b>	<i>N.A.</i>							
	<b>São Tomé and Príncipe</b>	<i>23 May 2018</i>			June / July	Brussels			2nd half 2018

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INDIAN OCEAN	Comoros	<i>Dormant since December 2016</i>							
	Madagascar	<i>31 December 2018</i>	July 2018 (tbc)	Antananarivo	July / Sept 2018	alternate	tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)	Apr-18	tbc (depends on the outcome of negotiations)
	Mauritius			tbc					
	Mozambique	<i>No protocol in force</i>			tbc	tbc			
	Seychelles	<i>17 January 2020</i>	Feb-19	Seychelles					
	Mayotte (Access agreement)	<i>19 May 2020</i>					/	/	
	Tanzania	<i>No Agreement/Protocol</i>			tbc	tbc		Adopted on 16 June 2015	Depends on the timing and number of negotiation rounds
	Kenya	<i>No Agreement/ Protocol</i>			tbc	tbc			
PACIFIC	Cook Islands	<i>13 October 2020</i>	Dec-18	tbc					
	Kiribati				Summer 2018	tbc			



## COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

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## NEXT FISHERIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### 2018

- Wednesday, 29 August, 14:30-18:30
- Monday, 24 September, 15:00-18:30
- Monday, 8 October, 15:00-18:30
- Tuesday, 9 October, 9:00-12:30
- Tuesday, 9 October, 14:30-18:30
- Wednesday, 21 November, 14:30-18:30
- Thursday, 22 November, 9:00-12:30
- Tuesday, 27 November, 9:00-12:30

### USEFUL LINKS

- @ EP Committee on Fisheries [link](#)
- @ DG MARE (European Commission) [link](#)
- @ Austrian Presidency of the Council [link](#) (2nd half of 2018)
- @ Romanian Presidency of the Council [link](#) (1st half of 2019)
- @ FAO Fishery and Aquaculture [link](#)
- @ ICES International Council for the Exploration of the Sea [link](#)