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Subject: Invitation to the public hearing of the Committee on Fisheries on 19 April  
2016

Dear Mr Buonfiglio,

The Committee on Fisheries of the European Parliament will organise a public hearing on "Mediterranean Sea: state of the fishing stock and strategies to adopt, for the conservation and socio-economic situation in the Fisheries sector" on 19 April 2016, from 15:30 to 18:30, in Brussels.

This public hearing is part of the strategy for the Mediterranean, where more than 93% of fish stocks are overfished by vessels from the EU and third countries. The purpose of our hearing is double: on one side, understanding the effects responsible for the deterioration of fish resources and, on the other hand, consideration of the socio-economic aspects of the fishing sector in the Mediterranean.

I am pleased to invite you to speak at this hearing for a presentation of about 10 minutes and to participate in the ensuing debate with our Members, as outlined in the draft programme attached.

Your written submission and/or PowerPoint presentation, together with a brief curriculum vitae, should be sent to our Secretariat by 8 April 2016, so to allow the distribution of the texts to the interpreters.

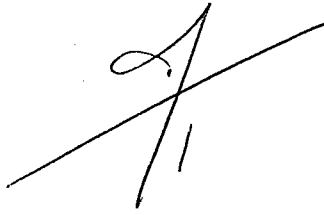
The meeting will be streamed on the European Parliament website.

To confirm your attendance or for any other additional information you may require, please contact the administrator responsible for the hearing, Mr Mauro Belardinelli (phone: +32 2 28 44826 – email: [mauro.belardinelli@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:mauro.belardinelli@europarl.europa.eu)) or the assistant Ms Florencia Soria Sanz (phone: +32 2 28 42548 – email: [florencia.soria@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:florencia.soria@europarl.europa.eu)).

We look forward to meeting you at our hearing.

Yours sincerely,

Alain CADEC

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ANNEX:

Draft programme



## PUBLIC HEARING

19 April 2016

15h30 - 18h30

European Parliament - Room ASP A1G2

MEDITERRANEAN SEA: STATE OF THE FISHING STOCKS AND  
STRATEGIES TO ADOPT FOR THE CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE  
ECONOMIC SITUATION OF THE FISHERIES SECTOR

### INTRODUCTION

15:30 - 15:40 Opening by **Mr Alain CADEC**, Chair of the Committee on Fisheries

15:40 - 15:50 Presentation - **European Commission** - (DG MARE)

*Impact of the external factors on fishing stock and the implementation of the CFP in the Mediterranean*

### PANEL I

#### CHALLENGES AND POSSIBLE CONSERVATION MEASURES TO ADOPT

*1. The role of marine protected areas*

15:50 - 16:00 **Mr Ángel PÉREZ RUZAFÁ** – Scientific expert on Marine Protected Areas;  
Professor to the Department of Ecology and Hydrology of the University of  
Murcia (Spain)

*2. Efficient fight against IUU fishing and fisheries management*

16:00 - 16:10 **Mr Paul GROS** – President of the Marine Fishermen Cooperative Society  
(SOCOMAP) in Le Grau-du-Roi (France)

3. *Other impacts and climate change*

16:10 - 16:20 **Mr Simone LIBRALATO** – Researcher from the National Institute of Oceanography and Experimental Geophysics - OGS (Italy)

16:20 - 17:00 *Questions / Answers*

**PANEL II**

**SOCIO-ECONOMIC MEASURES**

1. *EMFF current situation and methods to improve the absorption of funds*

17:00 - 17:10 **Mr Javier GARAT PÉREZ** – President of the Association of National Organizations of Fishery Enterprises in the EU (EUROPÊCHE); Secretary General of the Spanish Fisheries Confederation (CEPESCA) (Spain)

2. *Socio-economic situation especially as regards to the small scale fisheries*

17:10 - 17:20 **Mr Giampaolo BUONFIGLIO** – Chairman of the Advisory Council for the Mediterranean (MEDAC)

3. *Diversification of the fisheries sector on the Mediterranean*

17:20 - 17:30 **Mr Paolo TIOZZO** – President of the National Federation of Fisheries Cooperatives (FEDERCOOPESCA) (Italy)

17:30 - 18:10 *Questions / Answers*

**CLOSURE**

18:10 - 18:20 Closure by **Mr Alain CADEC**, Chair of the Committee on Fisheries

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