

SUPPORT MEASURES FOR SMALL- SCALE FISHING

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Imdina, Hal Qormi QRM 9011
Koperattivi Malta Hall

AGENDA

8h45 Registration and welcome coffee

9h00 Welcome address and introduction of the 1st part

9h05 Measures to support small-scale fisheries in the EU Mediterranean waters – Project introduction

9h15 Mediterranean Advisory Council Presentation

9h25 Europêche Presentation

9h35 LIFE Presentation

9h45 Local Associations

10h05 Panel Discussion: Representation of the Small Scale Fishermen at an EU Level

10h25 Q&A

10h45 Coffee break

11h30 Introduction 2nd part

11h35 An overview of Small Scale Fisheries in Malta

11h55 The situation in Malta

12h05 The situation in Cyprus

12h25 The situation in Greece

12h35 The situation in Ireland

12h55 Panel Discussion: Country representatives and Ministry of Fisheries

13h25 Q&A

14h00 Lunch Break

15h00 Funding for Small Scale Fisheries through EMFF

15h30 Q&A

15h45 Other initiatives for the Small Scale Fisheries

16h00 Q&A and other topics

16h15 Closing remarks



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Simeon Deguara
Research Director
AquaBioTech
Group

Dr. Deguara has many years of experience in aquaculture. After reading his PhD at Stirling University in Scotland, he worked as a Project Manager with EWOS in Scotland. He was an aquaculture consultant to the Maltese Government between 2001 and 2003, Quality Assurance Coordinator for one of Malta's leading fish farms between 2006 and 2013, and has been a visiting lecturer at the University of Malta since 2008. He has been AquaBioTech Group's Research Director since 2003. He has a broad experience in academic and industrial settings, with laboratory, pilot and

commercial scale RAS, expertise in scientific project design, implementation and reporting. He leads all nutrition and challenge trials at ABT Innovia R&D facility, as well as participation in global assignments for aquaculture based projects. Dr. Deguara has been the R&D coordinator for the Federation of Maltese Aquaculture Producers since 2009 where he participated and contributed to the knowledge of Atlantic bluefin tuna within the Scientific Committee on Research and Statistics within the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas.



George D. Mantas
Business Development
Director
AquaBioTech Group

George is Greek national with thirteen (13) years of experience in business development in the aquaculture and fishery industry and the seafood value chain. He is project managing the Measures to Support small-scale fisheries in the EU Mediterranean waters in Malta. George has studied Business Administration

and for the past four (4) years he is leading the Business Development and Marketing Department of the AquaBioTech Group.



Marzia Piron
Fishery expert
MEDAC

Marzia Piron has MSc in Environmental Science at the University of Trieste in 2008. Since 2005 she is carrying out research in the fishery sector with expertise regarding mainly the national and international regulations and RFMOs in the Mediterranean Sea, the integrated coastal and marine management in particular

for the Small Scale Fisheries. She participated as consultant in several Italian and international projects (e.g. PESCAMED, ArtFishMed and GFCM's e-compendium). She is working as fishery expert for MEDAC (Mediterranean Advisory Council) since May 2016.



Paul Piscopo
Secretary
Fisheries Cooperative Association

Paul is a member of Fisheries Cooperative Association in Malta which was founded in 1969 and serves as a Secretary. For the past 6 years Paul has been a member of Koperattivi Malta (Koperattivi Malta is the Apex Cooperative Organisation and represents and is the voice of cooperative enterprises in Malta and

Gozo) which he was appointed as Secretary General of the last three years that followed. Last December Mr Paul Piscopo was appointed as a Vice President for The ASSOCIATION OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF FISHING ENTERPRISES IN THE EUROPEAN UNION "Europeche" .



Jeremy Percy
Executive Director
LIFE

In turn crew, skipper and owner of a variety of fishing vessels fishing UK and Irish waters. Master of a Fisheries Protection Vessel as well as Deputy Director of a Sea Fisheries Committee with responsibility for inshore fisheries management, Managed the first real time internet based fresh fish auction in England and Wales and was owner and Managing Director of a successful fish processing and export company based in Milford Haven. Previously CEO to the main Welsh Fishermen's Federation and CEO to the New Under Ten Fishermen's Association for England and Wales. Currently Executive Director to the Low Impact Fishers of Europe {LIFE} Platform. Jeremy has decades of experience in almost every aspect of fishing and fisheries management.

He has been in turn crew, skipper and owner of fishing vessels operating in UK and Irish waters, Inshore Fisheries Manager and Regulator, Master of a Fisheries Protection vessel and MD of his own successful fish processing and export company. Moving into representation, he was Chairman of his local fishermen's Association, CEO to both the Welsh and latterly the England and Wales representative bodies for coastal fishers and is currently Executive Director to the Low Impact Fishers of Europe platform [LIFE] that seeks to give a specific and dedicated voice to the 80% of the european fishing fleet that is deemed to be small scale but big on the provision of social and economic benefits to coastal communities.



Mallia Emanuel
Senior Manager
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture - Fisheries Management Unit

Col. Mallia served in the Armed Forces of Malta for 30 years where he filled senior positions at general staff level mostly related to maritime operations including fisheries control and maritime surveillance. He is a graduate of the International Maritime Law Institute and represented Malta in various international spheres including at the International Maritime Organisation. He was deployed in Libya on the

EU Mission EUBAM-Libya for 18 months as the Head of the Naval Coastguard Unit where he worked closely with Libyan maritime forces. On retirement from the military, Col Mallia joined the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture in January 2016, where he covers areas of policy and oversees the operations of the hard standing facility in Marsaxlokk.



Tamás Bardócz
Principal
consultant
AquaBioTech
Group

A Hungarian national, with an education in agriculture and aquaculture, has over 15 years work experience on various areas of the fisheries and aquaculture sector. He started his career as an aquaculture technician and later interrupted his PhD studies to work as an aquaculture consultant. From 2010 until 2014 he had the position of Director General for Fisheries and Aquaculture of Hungary where

he was responsible for the preparation of a new national law on fisheries and aquaculture and actively participated in the latest reform of the Common Fisheries Policy of the European Union. Since 2014 he has been managing various tasks at the AquaBioTech Group including aquaculture research projects and consultancy activities of the company.



Antonis Petrou
Director of AP
Marine

Antonis Petrou is the Director of AP Marine. He has over fourteen years' experience in marine environmental surveys and consultancy. Initially he worked as a marine biologist at the Department of Fisheries and Marine Research but for most of his career, he has been working in the private sector as a researcher and consultant, forming AP Marine in 2003. Antonis has extensive experience in many marine environmental disciplines including marine environmental surveys, bathymetrical surveys, strategic and environmental impact

assessments, biological monitoring of marine habitats, experimental fish surveys, habitat mapping and ecological assessment. Additionally, he consults the fisheries and aquaculture sectors and has provided many types of relevant consultancy services to the governmental and private sectors in Cyprus, the EU and the Middle East. He is the Scientific Associate of the Cypriot Coastal Fisherman's Association and he is on the Board of Director of the NGO - Enalia Pysis Environmental Research Center.



Jerry Gallagher
Managing Director
of Northwestern
Shellfish Ltd.

Jerry Gallagher has been involved in the fishing industry in Ireland since the mid 80s and bought his first 10mtr boat in 1988. Jerry has fished on several bigger boats during winter time but still has an 11mtr boat which replaced the original one in 1994 fishing for crab, lobster, all demersal species by trawling and gillnetting, drift netting for salmon and commercial angling for many years. He diversified into scallop aquaculture production in 1992 and formed a family company which is still in that business leasing 350 hectares of seabed from the state in a local bay and dive harvesting all the scallops produced.

He has been Chairman of the Irish Shellfish Association for 12 of the past 20 years and is still a board member, he is currently Chairman of FLAG North and Chairman of North Regional Inshore Fisheries Forum (RIFF) both organisations representing a region of the country which feeds into a national body. Jerry has visited many countries in Europe, North and South America, Asia and New Zealand looking at aquaculture and fisheries activities and is incorporating that knowledge into his roles as a member on numerous boards who represent those sectors.



Camilleri Abigail
Director of
Funds and Pro-
grammes Division

Ms Camilleri has been involved in diverse EU funding since 2006, starting with the European Union Delegation in the Pacific and subsequently joined the Planning and Priorities Co-ordination Division in 2008. As a Director within the Funds and Programmes Division within the Ministry for European Affairs, she is responsible for the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF), the Asylum, Migration

and Integration Fund (AMIF), the Internal Security Fund (ISF) and the Erasmus +. Abigail has studied both locally and abroad (UK, Ireland and the Czech Republic), graduating at Master's Degree level from Sussex University in Brighton in European Public Administration. She is also a qualified family and commercial Mediator since 2013.