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**Working Group on Site Selection and Carrying Capacity (WGSC)
in collaboration Subdirección de Recursos Pesquero y Acuicolas De la Junta
de Andalucía**

Workshop on Allocated Zones for Aquaculture (AZA) WGSC-SHoCMed¹.

(Sevilla, Spain, 18th -20th October 2010)

Draft annotated agenda and Timetable

Monday 18th October

Morning session (9.30 – 13.00)

1. Opening and arrangement of the meeting

- *Welcome address and opening the meeting by the Authority and by the GFCM Secretariat.*
- *Presentation of marine aquaculture in Andalusia: present situation and further sustainable development.*
- *Introduction of the activities of SHoCMed in support to the Working Group on Site Selection and Carrying Capacity (WGSC) of GFCM/CAQ.*

The technical aspects related to the organization and functioning of the meeting will be presented. The Agenda of the meeting will be introduced and discussed. The rapporteurs of the meeting will be designated.

2. Review on technical and legal procedures for site selection for aquaculture applied within the different Mediterranean coastal areas.

Presentation will be made on the work carried out within the activities of the first year of SHoCMed on the legal aspects on aquaculture within the Mediterranean Sea with

¹ SHoCMed: “Developing siting and carrying capacity guidelines for Mediterranean aquaculture within aquaculture appropriate areas GFCM/CAQ” is a project in support to the activities of the GFCM Committee on Aquaculture (CAQ) which is co-funded by European Commission DG-MARE. The SHoCMed project aims to produce criteria for enhancing the integration of aquaculture into coastal zone management by improving site selection and holding capacity and identifying environmental quality standards and reference points

particular attention to licensing procedures by expert. Attention will be given and discussion will be held on priorities and information gaps and on the legal procedures implemented for improving the governance and the participation of the different stakeholders.

Questions and comments

3. Review and make synthesis of Mediterranean experience on Allocated Zones for Aquaculture.

A short review on available data and information on AZA within the Mediterranean areas will be made based on the available information... Case studies on AZA within the different Mediterranean countries will be presented and discussed (description of management, planning, organization and decision tools implemented and considered; relation with licensing and leasing-concession procedures, coordination established; guidelines) Discussion will also focussed for an agreed and common definition of Allocation Zones Aquaculture to be applied within the Mediterranean area in an ecosystem perspective by participant

Questions and comments

Afternoon session (14.30 – 17.30)

4. Review and make synthesis of Mediterranean experience on Allocated Zones for Aquaculture (continuation)

5. Spatial tools and techniques in support for planning aquaculture activities in coastal areas.

The potential of spatial planning tools for developing the allocation of aquaculture activities within the coastal zone and in support to the ecosystem approach to aquaculture will be presented and discussed. Different experiences, formats and experiences on GIS application for the definition of AZA in the countries will be presented by participant.

Questions and comments

Tuesday 19th October

Morning session (9.30 – 13.00)

6. Discuss and make synthesis on the main aspects related to Allocated Zones for Aquaculture.

Discussion and synthesis will focus on how to improve and implement the AZA in Mediterranean countries and take stock of the experience available within integrated coastal zone management. Technical discussion will also focus on how to improve the licensing procedures for aquaculture including issues related to the updating the information and fill the knowledge gaps.

7. Discuss and make synthesis on the main aspects related to Allocated Zones for Aquaculture (*continuation*).

8. Conclusion and Recommendations

Specific suggestions, identification/updating of priorities issues will be discussed among participant. Particular attention will be given to

- *Finalization of Discussions and Recommendations on AZA for the WGSC;*
- *Priorities of workplan and time frame on AZA within SHoCMed*
- *First draft guidelines for AZA.*
- *Adoption of conclusion*

Wednesday 20th October

Closure of the meeting

