

# GENERAL FISHERIES COMMISSION FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN



## COMMISSION GÉNÉRALE DES PÊCHES POUR LA MÉDITERRANÉE

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# **COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE**

Working Group on Site Selection and Carrying Capacity (WGSC)

WGSC <sup>1</sup> – SHoCMed <sup>2</sup> Workshop of the environmental monitoring within Allowable Zone of Effect (AZE) within aquaculture activities into the Mediterranean areas.

(Malaga, Spain,  $16^{th}$  - $18^{th}$  November 2011)

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011

Morning session (9.30 - 13.00)

## 1. Opening and arrangement of the meeting

The technical aspects related to the organization and functioning of the meeting will be introduced.

### 2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda of the meeting will be introduced and discussed.

#### 3. Environmental Quality Standards (EQS) for monitoring Aquaculture Activities

Based on EQS and the main environmental parameters for monitoring aquaculture activities, identified by the WGSC the result of the second round Delphi will be presented and discussed.

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#### Afternoon session (14.00 - 17.00)

# 4. Discussion and synthesis of the main Allowable Zone of Effect (AZE), how to improve and implement them

Presentation, definition and technical indication of AZE, applied to Mediterranean Countries.

## Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Morning session (9.30 - 13.00)

### 5. Glossary on Site Selection and Carrying Capacity

Presentation of a Draft of the Glossary on the main terms used on site selection and carrying capacity and more in general on Mediterranean marine aquaculture.

# 6. Allocated Zones for Aquaculture (AZA) how to improve the licensing procedures for aquaculture and their implement

Presentation of the draft Guidelines, definition along with a review on AZA Experiences in GFCM Area.

### Afternoon session (14.00 - 17.00)

- 7. Allocated Zones for Aquaculture (AZA) how to improve the licensing procedures for aquaculture and their implement (Cont.)
- 8. Production of criteria and related guidelines (including standards) for a quaculture site selection in the GFCM region

Expert discussion will focus on the improvement and implementation of the AZA and AZE in Mediterranean countries; Expert will also discuss an follow up the Strengthening of the network; Delphi follow-up; Interaction with the WGSA-InDAM and SIPAM.

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# Friday 18th November

*Morning session* (9.30 – 13.00)

## 9. WGSC on SHocMed -Programme of work of the Third Phase, 2012 and beyond

Priority of the short- and medium-term work plan of the WGSA will be discussed.

#### 10. Conclusion and Recommendations

Specific suggestion, identification/updating of priorities issues will be discussed among participants. Particular attention will be given to the:

- Allocated Zones for Aquaculture (AZA)
- Environmental Quality Standards (EQS) for monitoring the aquaculture activities within Mediterranean
- Priority of the Third Phase of SHoCMed
- First draft guidelines of Allocated Zone of Effect (AZE)

### 11.Any other matters

#### 12. Nomination of the WGSC Coordinator

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