

European Fisheries and Aquaculture Research Organisation (EFARO)

Aquaculture Working Group (AWG)

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About



- The European Fisheries and Aquaculture Research Organisation (EFARO), is an association composed of the Directors of the main **European Research Institutes** involved in **Fisheries and Aquaculture** research
- Today EFARO unites 3000 researchers and research assistants in **23 institutes in 19 European countries**.
- Mission: *To build an integrated network of Fisheries and Aquaculture organisations that **provides evidence for policy in response to the needs of society***

Organisation



- EFARO is registered under French Law as an Independent Association.
- The current Board consists off:
 - Dr. Tammo Bult, President (IMARES Wageningen UR)
 - Dr. Gerd Kraus, Vice-President (TI Sea Fisheries)
 - Dr. Eduardo Balguerias (IEO)
 - Dr. Tomasz Linkowski (National Marine Fisheries Research Institute (NMFRI))
 - Dr. Philippe Moguedet (IFREMER)
 - Dr. Luc van Hoof, Executive Secretary
 - Ms. Isabelle Schwaba, Treasurer
 - Ing. Rian Schelvis, Science officer

EFARO: responsibilities



- Experts, facilities: fisheries, aquaculture and marine ecology
- Monitoring, databases, knowledge development
- **Advice & scientific support:** Policies, Markets, Innovation
- Training & education

Activities in 2015



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**Suggested Research Priorities for the H2020
2016/2017 work program.**

Addendum to

**KEY TOPICS FOR SCIENTIFIC SUPPORT TO THE EUROPEAN
AQUACULTURE STRATEGY**

An outline of RTDI topics identified by the EFARO Aquaculture Task Force

October 2014



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TRANS-ATLANTIC OCEAN
RESEARCH ALLIANCE WORKING
GROUP ON AQUACULTURE

From task force to Aquaculture Work Group



- Low engagement among EFARO members
- Meeting in Brussels 14 March 2016
 - Invite EATiP and DG-RTD to explore needs and cooperation
 - Discussion on way forward – reinforce the work group
- Continued, extended, strengthened commitment to EFARO Aquaculture Work Group.
 - 22 institutions member of the work group
 - 8 (?) is member of EATIP
 - Started work on long term drivers (2030 and beyond)
 - A few online meetings, physical meeting during Aquaculture Europe 2016
- EATIP
 - Proposal to reinforce cooperation EFARO-EATIP
 - Consider EFARO member of EATiP

European Commission



- Communication of existing scientific knowledge on key issues
- Strengthen the vision on Aquaculture and Blue Growth
 - anticipating on new drivers; focussed, practical, making a difference; create impact
- One integrated vision/voice/message:
 - untied information and message towards EU
 - exchange of information and participation in events
 - shared vision on new drivers at the October 2016 Food 2030 Conference