



PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday 11 May 2022 - 16.15-18.30

Room: Spinelli 3G3 and visioconference with remote participation

Final Programme

The cormorant problematic affecting EU fisheries and aquaculture

16.15 Pierre Karleskind, PECH Chair - Welcome & Opening address

Part I - The impact of cormorant predation on the fisheries and aquaculture sector

(Stocktaking of the situation)

16.20-16.30 Dr. Niels Jepsen, Senior researcher, Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Section for Freshwater Fisheries Ecology, Denmark - *Impact of cormorant predation on wild and stocked fish populations and fisheries*

16.30-16.40 Anna Pyc, Trout producer, Polish Trout Breeders Association - *How cormorant predation affects fisheries/aquaculture: experiences on the ground and problems faced*

16.40-16.50 Oliver Martini, Aquaculture operator, Board Member of the Italian Aquaculture Association, Venice. *The economic dimension of cormorant predation on the EU aquaculture sector*

16.50-17.00 Stefan Jäger, Chair of the Cormorant Commission in the German Fisheries Association and Managing Director of „Verband der Fischereigenossenschaften Nordrhein-Westfalens“

Part II - Does the legal framework still allow coexistence of cormorants and aquaculture?

(Assessing practical solutions for the future)

17.00-17.10 Anouk Puymartin, Marine Policy Officer, BirdLife International

17.10-17.20 Béla Halasi Kovács, Chairman of the Environment Committee, FEAP and Vice-Chair of the Hungarian Aquaculture & Fisheries Interbranch Association

The legal framework and the limits of derogations: what it means in practice

17.20-18.20 Questions & Answers

18.20 Wrap-up & conclusions by Søren Gade, 2nd Vice-Chair PECH