

Thursday, 12 February 2026 (CONTINUED)

Value Chain, Social Impact and Consolidation

10:45 **Session 6: Climate Change and Climate-Smart Aquaculture**

Speakers: Alessio Bonaldo- TAG leader, Eduardo Soler (ES), Stelios Karapanagiotis (EL), Danijel Kanski (GFCM), Nikos Papandroulakis (GFCM ADC)

Coordinated by TAG leader Alessio Bonaldo, GFCM Technical Advisory Group on Innovation and Technology

- TAG / Expert presentation
- Farmers' Association presentations/contributions
- GFCM ADC presentation
- Open discussion

12:15 **Session 7: Artificial Intelligence in Aquaculture: Opportunities and Challenges**

Speakers: Lars Ebbesson (NO), Mohamed Rammeh (GFCM expert), Tristan Camilleri (MT), Nikos Papandroulakis (GFCM ADC)

- Expert presentation: Outcomes of FEAP AI workshop – state of play and next steps
- AI experts presentations
- Open discussion

13:30 *Lunch*

14:45 **Session 8: Women & Youth in Aquaculture Initiative**

Speakers: Garazi Rodríguez and Christina Zantioti (Network of Women in Aquaculture)

- From Training to Influence: Empowering Women and Youth in Aquaculture with NOWA

15:15 **Session 9: Adoption & Roadmap to Committee on Aquaculture (CAQ) / Commission**

Speakers: TAG leaders, GFCM and FEAP Secretariat

- Presentation of consolidated outputs
- Open discussion

16:00 **Closing session**

Speakers: GFCM and FEAP, Lara Barazi-Geroulanou (FEAP President)

- Final remarks
- Official closure

17:00 *End of the day 2*

20:00 *Dinner in Restaurant Vlassis (2 min walk from the hotel)*

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FEAP–GFCM Technical Consultation on Sustainable Aquaculture Practices

GFCM Technical Advisory Groups (TAGs)
and aquaculture producers

11-12 February 2026
Athens, Greece

📍 Venue: Golden Age Hotel of Athens
57 Michalakopoulou Street, 115 28 Athens, Greece

Wednesday, 11 February 2026

Governance, Investments, Environment, Workforce Safety and Welfare, Aquatic Animal Health and Welfare

- 08:45 *Registration*
- 09:15 **Opening session-Introduction of the workshop**
 - Welcome remarks
- 09:45 **Session 1: Governance, Responsible Investment and workforce safety and welfare**
Speakers: Philippos Papageorgiou-TAG leader, Matteo Leonardi (IT), Catalin Platon (RO), Javier Ojeda (ES), Stelios Leontios (BE)
Coordinated by TAG leader Philippos Papageorgiou, GFCM Technical Advisory Group on Governance and Responsible Investment in Aquaculture
 - TAG Leader Presentation: Responsible investments, workers welfare
 - Farmers' Associations and expert presentations /contributions: Field perspective
 - Open discussion
- 11:15 *Coffee break*
- 11:30 **Session 2: Planning, licencing and environmental management (AZA/AMA/EMP)**
Speakers: Erika M.D. Porporato- TAG leader, Isidro Blanquet (PT), Claudio Pedroni (IT), Victor Nita (GFCM-ADC Romania)
Coordinated by TAG leader Erika M.D. Porporato, GFCM Advisory Group on Spatial Planning for Aquaculture, leading experts on planning and allocated zones for aquaculture (AZAs)
 - TAG Leader Presentation: Advancing Spatial Planning and Environmental Monitoring in Aquaculture: TAG-SPA Contributions to AZA, AMA, and EMP
 - Farmers' Associations and expert presentations /contributions: Field perspective
 - ADC Romania presentation
 - Farmers' Association Presentation / contributions: Field perspective
 - Open discussion
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00 **Session 3: Aquatic Animal Health & Welfare - Pathogens, diagnostics, vaccination, welfare indicators**
Speakers: Nadia Chérif- TAG leader, Nuno Ribeiro (online-PT), George Spiliopoulos (HE), Andrea Fabris (IT), Evgenia Gourzioti (EL), Leonidas Papaharis (GFCM ADC)
Coordinated by TAG leader Nadia Chérif, GFCM Technical Advisory Group on Aquatic Animal Health and Biosecurity
 - TAG Leader Presentation: Regional pathogens, diagnostics, vaccination
 - Farmers' Association Presentations /contributions
 - ADC Heraklion presentation
 - Open discussion



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- 15:45 *Coffee break*
- 16:00 **Session 4: Restorative Aquaculture**
Speakers: Marta Barcelos Rocha (PT), Sabina Atodiresei (RO), Alejandro Fernández (ES), Enric Gisbert (GFCM MRADC), Arnold Rakaj (GFCM)
Coordinated by TAG leaders Erika Porporato and Alessio Bonaldo
 - TAG Leaders Presentation: Restorative Aquaculture, low-impact systems and AZR
 - Farmers' Associations and expert presentations /contributions: Field perspective and operational challenges
 - MRADC La Rapita Presentation
 - Open discussion
- 17:15 **Wrap-up of Day 1**
Speakers: GFCM Secretariat
 - Summary and key outcomes
 - Preparation for Day 2
- 20:00 *Dinner offered by the HELLENIC AQUACULTURE PRODUCERS ORGANIZATION (HAPO)*
📍 Restaurant: ERGON house Athens 23, Mitropoleos Street, Athina 105 57, Greece

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- 09:00 **Session 5: Preharvest losses, food waste and value chain efficiency**
Speakers: Ferit Rad- TAG leader, Renata Serradeiro (PT), Francisco Avelas (PT), Diego Mendiola (ES), Lahsen Ababouch (GFCM)
Coordinated by TAG leader Ferit Rad, GFCM Technical Advisory Group on Value Chain and Market Access
 - TAG Leader Presentation: Mitigating loss along the aquaculture value chains-GFCM initiative
 - Farmers' Associations presentation
 - GFCM expert presentation
 - Open discussion
- 10:30 *Coffee break*