

How should fishing quotas be set in the EU?

One key proposal in the reform of the Common Fisheries Policy is that EU fish stocks should be restored above levels which can produce Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) by 2015. What does MSY mean? What are the arguments for and against this proposal? What are the implications for the fishermen and the fish?

This seminar will provide a guide to these issues for MEPs who want to learn more about the Common Fisheries Policy reform.

European Parliament, Brussels, Room A5E-1 30 November, 9:00 – 11:00

Event organised by cross-party group Fish For the Future

- 9:00 **Welcome**
MEP **Isabella Lövin** (Greens/EFA, Sweden)
- 9:05 **Why is it necessary to keep fish stocks above levels capable of producing MSY?**
Dr **Rainer Froese**, Leibniz-Institut für Meereswissenschaften IfM-GEOMAR in Kiel
- 9:35 **An industry viewpoint of implementing an MSY approach. Short term and long term implications**
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- 9:55 **The Australian experience of implementing the MEY strategy (Maximum Economic Yield)**
Dr **Nick Rayns**, Executive Manager, the Australian Fisheries Management Authority
- 10:15 **The Commission's view of MSY and how to implement the concept**
Mr **Ernesto Peñas Lado**, Director Policy Development and Coordination, DG MARE, European Commission
- 10:30 Discussion
- 10:55 Conclusions

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