

# EU Aquaculture Assistance Mechanism:

**One-stop shop for supporting the growth and development of sustainable aquaculture in the EU**

## What is the purpose of the EU Aquaculture Assistance Mechanism?

The European Commission aims at achieving an **EU aquaculture sector** that is **more resilient, competitive, and a global standard in sustainability and quality**. The **'strategic guidelines for a more sustainable and competitive EU aquaculture for the period 2021-2030'** present a vision to achieve this, as well as **concrete recommendations and proposals for action**.

Implementing these guidelines is a challenge for the European Commission, the 27 EU Member States, the aquaculture industry and other stakeholders.

The EU Aquaculture Assistance Mechanism offers assistance in overcoming this challenge by providing **technical, logistical and administrative support** and by developing a **website dedicated to EU aquaculture**.

## How do I benefit?

### Knowledge about EU aquaculture

- **Search** relevant and up-to-date information on sustainable aquaculture in a centralised repository known as the knowledge base.
- **Contribute** and help expand and update the knowledge base.



### Events

Attend **physical and virtual events** to discuss relevant matters related to the implementation of the EU strategic guidelines, keep pace with **new aquaculture developments and challenges**, and get **access to training** on the guidance documents developed by the EU Aquaculture Assistance Mechanism.

- Seminars
- Trainings
- Conferences
- Workshops

### Website

[aquaculture.ec.europa.eu/](http://aquaculture.ec.europa.eu/)

- Explore this **user-friendly online platform** containing information on all issues relevant to the sustainable development of EU aquaculture. All information and services provided by the EU Aquaculture Assistance Mechanism are at your fingertips.
- Provide **feedback** to the website.
- Become **part of a community of 'registered users'** and benefit from its **networking opportunities**.

### Aquaculture Types

- Fish farming.
- Farming of shellfish (molluscs and crustaceans) and other invertebrates.
- Algaculture.
- Organic aquaculture.

### Country Information

- Clickable map to easily access aquaculture-related information in 27 Member States.
- Dedicated country pages.

### News & Events

- Latest news.
- Upcoming events.
- Archive.

### Funding

- European funding opportunities available for aquaculture.
- Calls for proposals and calls for tenders related to aquaculture published by the Commission.

### Useful Links

- Dedicated Commission aquaculture webpages.
- Aquaculture-themed websites.
- National/regional authorities responsible for aquaculture.

### FAQs & Contact

- Questions and answers on EU aquaculture-related issues.
- Forms to submit questions and request details.
- Registered users have access to a user database to facilitate networking.

### Newsletters

- Bimonthly issues discussing EU aquaculture state of play.