



Relevant links and information shared in the chat during the annual network meeting, 24th October 2023

[Global Action Network - Sustainable Food from the Oceans and Inland Waters for Food Security and Nutrition \(regjeringen.no\)](#)

[Mission Statement - Sustainable Food from the Oceans and Inland Waters for Food Security and Nutrition \(regjeringen.no\)](#)

[Action Plan - Sustainable Food from the Oceans and Inland Waters for Food Security and Nutrition \(regjeringen.no\)](#)

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<https://www.fao.org/3/cc0459en/cc0459en.pdf>

https://food.ec.europa.eu/horizontal-topics/farm-fork-strategy_en

<https://nettsteder.regjeringen.no/foodfromtheocean/eu-farm-to-fork-aquatic-food/>

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1G2ueKzAau968-nPH2lo2Z1cCyTwXZ8sq?usp=share_link

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/global-health/climate-and-people/underused-foods-could-help-end-scourge-of-malnutrition/>

<https://www.wur.nl/nl/onderzoek-resultaten/kennisonline-onderzoeksprojecten-Inv/soorten-onderzoek/kennisonline/food-nutrition-security-for-low-income-groups-in-rural-urban-food-systems.htm>

<https://www.wur.nl/en/show/Feeding-cities-migration-1.htm>

<https://oceanpanel.org/publication/ocean-solutions-to-climate-change/>

<https://tv.regjeringen.no/3.html?mediald=83accdc3-9338-4e85-9d6c-c1cddb5e484a&autoplay=false>

<https://www.safeseaweedcoalition.org/>

<https://oceandecade.org/actions/sustainable-blue-food-futures-for-people-planet-bluefood-futures/>

[Global Action Network \(@AquaticFood4FSN\) / X \(twitter.com\)](#)

[Global Action Network Sustainable Food from the Ocean and Inland Waters: Overview | LinkedIn](#)

- Alongside GAN, members of the Blue Food Coalition also submitted a proposal to the CFS which contributed to their decision to plan to include a refresh of the 2014 fish/nutrition report in their MultiYear Program of Work for 2027.
- The School Meals Coalition Report, to be launched at COP, will include a chapter/section on the importance of aquatic foods in school meals for meeting nutrition needs - along with such foods' climate and planet friendliness – thanks in significant measure to our intervention. We worked alongside FAO on this effort.
- The (UAE) Emirates' Declaration on Food, which we heard about at the CFS meeting this morning and which will be launched at COP 28, is their statement on the central importance of food systems to meeting the Paris climate goals and the SDGs. This Declaration will, because of the Coalition's intervention, reflect the importance of aquatic and blue foods, and fisherfolk in food systems, helping them to begin to gain more of a toehold in the food system and resources discussion in COP 28
- The Coalition, through EDF as Secretariat, has the lead in the Marrakech Partnership w/r/t the blue foods component of this effort. The Marrakech Partnership's goal is to have the private sector and other non-State actors raise the bar in achieving the Paris agreement and the 2030 agenda. They have set breakthrough goals for 2030 for the ocean.
- The Coalition has received funding from Germany, which includes a small amount of funding that will enable us to bring representatives from the global south to participate in events such as the COP, beginning this fall, raising their own voices about the importance of small-scale fishers and aquaculturists in food systems.
- Nordic ministers report on food policy: Eat more fish
- Stanford Center for Ocean Studies has the lead in this Programme which has been selected under the UN Decade of Ocean Science, Sustainable Blue Futures for People and the Planet
- In June, the Ocean and Climate report of the COP organizers listed the Coalition as an example of case studies in best practice.
- How do we balance the nutritional benefits while acknowledging the issue of illegal and unregulated fishing?
- It is important to carry along the small-scale fisheries sector in the Blue transformation- they are very significant in the fisheries sector and value to aquatic food systems.
- Sustainable Aquatic Food sources need necessarily to include low-trophic groups, such as algae. I am afraid we hear very little about the contribution that algae can make towards our food security and nutritional goals. The only reference was from the EU Algae initiative. Algae, and in particular seaweed are already an important part of the aquaculture sector (at least near 25% in volume). Algae are already an important part of Asian diets. They need to be relevant as well for other populations.