



PROGRAMME
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International Fishing Capacity Conference
"Global Fishing Capacity – Less is more"
13-14 March 2014,
Thessaloniki, Greece
Thessaloniki Concert Hall

DAY 1

- 17:00** **Registration desk open for badges¹ (*1st floor*)**
- 18:00** **Opening of conference (*Maurice Salties room 5th floor*)**
Keynote speeches:
- H.E. Mr Evangelos **VENIZELOS**, EU Presidency, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Greece
 - Ms Maria **DAMANAKI**, European Commissioner for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
 - Mr Athanasios **TSAFTARIS**, EU Presidency, Minister of Rural Development and Food, Greece
 - Sir Richard **BRANSON** Chairman of Virgin Atlantic Airways and the founder of Virgin Records (live videolink)
 - Mr Pierre-Yves **COUSTEAU**, Founder of the Cousteau Divers and goodwill ambassador of the International Union for Conservation
- 20:00** **Cocktail (*Aldebaran restaurant and terrace*)**
- 20:30** **Buffet Dinner (*Foyer ground floor*)**

¹ Conference kit for participants will be distributed DAY 2 (14 March from 8 to 8.45 a.m.)

DAY 2

Maurice Salties room (5th floor)

8:00 – 8:45 Welcome coffee and registration (*Aldebaran Restaurant and terrace*)

8:45 – 8:50 Introduction and guidance through the day by Mr Stefaan **DEYPERE**, Director, Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

8:50 – 10:50 "Policy makers' role in addressing overcapacity"

Moderator: Mr Charles CLOVER, Chairman of the Blue Marine Foundation

Mr José GRAZIANO DA SILVA	Director-General Food and Agriculture Organisation (video-message)
Mr Janez POTOČNIK	European Commissioner for the Environment
Mr Nicos KOUYIALIS	Minister for Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment, Cyprus
Mr Mindaugas KUKLIERIUS	Vice-Minister for Agriculture, Lithuania
Ms Sharon DIJKSMA	Minister for Agriculture, The Netherlands
Mr Nayon BILJO	Minister for Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ghana
Mr Atty Emerson U. PALAD	Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, Department of Agriculture, Philippines
Mr Peter SINON	Minister for Natural Resources and Industry, Seychelles
Mr Russell SMITH	Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Fisheries, NOAA, Department of Commerce, United States

10:50 – 11:15 Coffee Break (*Aldebaran Restaurant and terrace*)

11:15 – 13:15 Panel "International capacity management – A snapshot"

Moderator: Mr Árni MATHIESEN, FAO Assistant Director-General for Fisheries and Aquaculture

Panellists:

Prof. Dr Fábio HAZIN	Professor, Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco (UFRPE), Recife - Brazil <i>'The International Legal Framework'</i>
Mr Masanori MIYAHARA	Advisor to the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries, Japan <i>'Capacity management in tuna-RFMO'</i>
Ms Zakia DRIOUICH	Secretary General, Ministry of Fisheries, Morocco <i>'Bluefin tuna recovery in ICCAT'</i>
Ms Susan JACKSON	President, International Seafood Sustainability Foundation (ISSF), USA <i>'Market-driven capacity management'</i>
Mr Andrew WRIGHT	Executive Secretary, Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR), New Zealand <i>'Capacity transfer from developed to developing states'</i>

13:15 – 14:00 Closing session

Signature of joint statement

Closing remarks by Commissioner Maria DAMANAKI with the "Thessaloniki appeal".

14:00 – 15:00 Buffet Lunch (*Aldebaran Restaurant and terrace*)