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to the Commission**

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Subject: Support for sustainable fishing

Sustainable fishing and the creation of an intelligent blue economy are two vital objectives which the European Union has set for the fishing industry.

Achieving them involves banking on policies and projects which make this transition possible, achieving greater diversification, innovation and, overall, sustainable growth.

The new Common Fisheries Policy addresses these priorities, but we need to start to firm up on the actions which will achieve these objectives in the shortest possible timescale, so that our fishermen, our seas and the people and societies of Europe in general can benefit as soon as possible.

What steps is the Commission taking to help eliminate once and for all the obstacles to setting out a framework for sustainable fishing in Europe?

What specific support is being given to the creation of an intelligent blue economy?