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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion

John Flack

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on European strategy for plastics in circular economy
(2018/2035(INI))

Amendment 1
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

Amendment

A. *whereas lost and discarded fishing gear constitutes the bulk of marine plastic litter;*

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 2
Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli, Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

Amendment

A. *whereas lost and discarded fishing gear constitutes the bulk of marine plastic litter;*

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 3
Isabelle Thomas

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

Amendment

A. *whereas lost and discarded fishing gear constitutes the bulk of marine plastic litter;*

A. *whereas between 20% and 40% of marine plastic litter is partly linked to human activities at sea, and whereas, according to the FAO, around 10% of it comes from lost and discarded fishing gear;*

Amendment 4
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas *lost and* discarded fishing gear *constitutes the bulk* of marine plastic litter;

Amendment

A. whereas *it is estimated that 80% of marine debris is plastic and that* discarded *or lost* fishing gear *is one of the many sources* of marine plastic litter;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas lost and discarded fishing gear *constitutes the bulk* of marine plastic litter;

Amendment

A. whereas lost and discarded fishing gear *is one component* of marine plastic litter;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas lost and discarded fishing gear *constitutes the bulk* of marine plastic litter;

Amendment

A. whereas lost and discarded fishing gear *forms part* of marine plastic litter;

Amendment 7
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. *whereas lost and discarded fishing gear constitutes the bulk of marine plastic litter;*

Amendment

A. *whereas 80% of waste found in the sea, including plastics, comes from the land;*

Amendment 8
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the revised Port Reception Facilities Directive is intended to implement the MARPOL convention which prohibits the disposal of garbage at sea also defines an exception to "accidental loss of fishing gear from a ship provided that all reasonable precautions have been taken to prevent such loss" neither the prohibition of garbage or a list of reasonable precautions have been carried over into the revised directive;

Amendment 9
Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli, Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the release of enormous quantities of plastic into the sea not only has an adverse impact on marine resources but also affects fishing activity, inter alia by increasing the costs involved in cleaning nets and disposing of litter collected;

Or. it

Amendment 10
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the majority of marine litter is of land-based origin^{1b} and thus solutions to tackling marine plastic cannot be isolated from the overall plastics strategy;

^{1b} Report: 'Plastics in the Marine Environment', June 2016

Or. en

Amendment 11
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ab. whereas eight million metric tons^{1aa} of plastic waste enter the oceans from land each year;

^{1aa} Report: 'A global inventory of small floating plastic debris', 8 December 2015

Or. en

Amendment 12
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital A c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ac. whereas 94%^{1ac} of the plastic that enters the ocean ends up on the sea floor;

^{1ac} Report: 'Plastics in the Marine Environment', June 2016

Or. en

Amendment 13
Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the extractive fishing sector, among others, is clearly affected by the crisis caused by plastic in the seas and oceans;

Or. es

Amendment 14
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas a substantial proportion of the plastics and microplastics in the sea comes from land-based sources;

Or. it

Amendment 15
Nils Torvalds

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas there are no reliable estimates of the contribution of aquaculture to marine litter

Or. en

Amendment 16
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ab. whereas Article 48 in the Fisheries Control Regulation is a step in the right direction, containing measures designed to promote the retrieval of lost fishing gear, it is too limited in scope as Member States are allowed to exempt the vast majority of fishing vessels from this obligation;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Damiano Zoffoli

Draft opinion

Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ab. whereas lost and abandoned fishing gear makes only a limited contribution to this problem, with the phenomenon of the ‘ghost fishing’;

Or. it

Amendment 18

Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion

Recital B

Draft opinion

Amendment

B. whereas ghost fishing occurs when lost ***or abandoned***, non-biodegradable fishing nets, traps and lines catch, entangle, injure, starve and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

B. whereas ghost fishing occurs when lost non-biodegradable fishing nets, traps and lines catch, entangle, injure, starve and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Or. fr

Amendment 19

Ricardo Serrão Santos, Renata Briano, Ulrike Rodust, Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion

Recital B

Draft opinion

Amendment

B. whereas ghost fishing occurs when lost or abandoned, non-biodegradable fishing nets, traps and lines catch, entangle, injure, starve and ***kill fish, turtles***, marine ***mammals and seabirds***;

B. whereas ghost fishing occurs when lost or abandoned, non-biodegradable fishing nets, traps and lines catch, entangle, injure, starve and ***cause the death of marine life***;

Amendment 20
Nils Torvalds

Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas the Control Regulation requires the mandatory marking of gears as well as the notification and retrieval of lost gears

Or. en

Amendment 21
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas fishermen, on their own initiative, bring back to port lost nets retrieved from the sea;

Or. fr

Amendment 22
Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas the bulk of marine plastic litter originates on land;

Or. hr

Amendment 23
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;
whereas humans are ultimately themselves poisoned when they ingest seafood contaminated with plastic residues, heavy metals or other harmful substances;

Or. fr

Amendment 24
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas ***discarded*** plastic ***releases into*** the water toxic compounds ***that are*** ingested ***and that can poison and kill*** fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Amendment

C. whereas plastic ***particles in*** the water ***absorb*** toxic compounds ***and are then*** ingested ***by*** fish, turtles, marine mammals and ***birds, thereby adversely affecting their health and human health by entering the food chain;*** ***whereas it is estimated that 90% of seabirds in Europe and 73% of deep sea fish^{1a} have ingested plastic in their stomachs;***

^{1a} Report: ‘Frequency of Microplastics in Mesopelagic Fishes from the Northwest Atlantic’, 19 February 2018

Or. en

Amendment 25
Ricardo Serrão Santos, Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic *releases into the water toxic compounds* that are ingested and that can *poison and kill fish, turtles*, marine *mammals and seabirds*;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic, *on its degradation processes, breaks into small particles* that are ingested *by a wide range of marine life, some of these micro plastics transport chemicals potentially harmful*, and that can *affect marine life through the food chain*;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds, *as well as indirectly damaging human health*;

Or. it

Amendment 27
Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds ***that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;***

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds ***the effects of which on marine organisms and the marine environment remain widely unknown and need to be subject to further research;***

Or. en

Amendment 28

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Damiano Zoffoli

Draft opinion

Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas ***discarded*** plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Amendment

C. whereas ***enormous quantities of plastic enter the sea, where, having been discarded, it*** releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Or. it

Amendment 29

Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic ***and microplastics*** releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and kill fish, turtles, marine mammals and seabirds;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and **that** can poison and kill **fish, turtles**, marine **mammals and seabirds**;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested **by**, and can poison and kill, marine **organisms, and that can have a direct impact on human health**;

Or. hr

Amendment 31
Francisco José Millán Mon, Gabriel Mato, Carlos Iturgaiz, Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and **kill fish, turtles**, marine **mammals and seabirds**;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and **cause death to living** marine **resources**;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Peter van Dalen

Draft opinion
Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and **kill fish, turtles**, marine **mammals and seabirds**;

Amendment

C. whereas discarded plastic releases into the water toxic compounds that are ingested and that can poison and **cause death to living** marine **resources**;

Amendment 33
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas bans on the use of microplastics in specific personal care products have been put in place in the United States and Canada; whereas several EU Member States have notified the Commission of draft laws to ban microplastics in certain cosmetics; whereas the Council also has called on the Commission to take measures on microplastics, especially from cosmetics and detergents.

Or. en

Amendment 34
Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas marine plastic litter has a major impact on fishing gear (which can get damaged when it is fouled with plastic litter during fishing or which may require lengthy cleaning if plastic litter becomes entangled in it);

Or. hr

Amendment 35
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas the mass of plastic in the sea also has a strong impact on fisheries, an impact which, in the case of small-scale fishing, is even greater and causes economic problems;

Or. it

Amendment 36
Ricardo Serrão Santos, Renata Briano, Ulrike Rodust, Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas discarded macro plastics strongly affects marine life by entanglement, asphyxiation and ingestion causing injuries and death of marine life;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital C b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Cb. whereas the Commission is committed to developing, where appropriate, product requirements under the Ecodesign Directive that take account of microplastics and it also has developed

criteria to improve recyclability of plastics in its Ecolabel and Green Public Procurement criteria.

Or. en

Amendment 38
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital D

Draft opinion

D. whereas on 16 January 2018 Parliament adopted a resolution on international ocean governance: an agenda for the future of our oceans in the context of the 2030 SDGs¹ ;

¹ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2018)0004.

Amendment

D. whereas on 16 January 2018 Parliament adopted a resolution on international ocean governance: an agenda for the future of our oceans in the context of the 2030 SDGs¹ *which called for high ambition in the Strategy on Plastics and insisted on binding measures in order to adequately tackle the problem of marine litter at source;*

¹ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2018)0004.

Or. en

Amendment 39
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Da. whereas many fishermen, anglers, grassroots and community organisations currently carry out and participate in clean ups with no financial assistances and are invaluable actors in tackling the plastic problem and highlighting its gravity; whereas local fishermen are stewards of the seas and are important

Amendment

actors in tackling marine plastics through fishing-for-litter schemes and should be encouraged to avail of financial assistance for environmental protection and protecting local fish stocks;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Seán Kelly

Draft opinion
Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Da. whereas the World Shipping Council estimated in 2014 that the number of containers lost at sea by the shipping industry to be approximately 550 on average per year (not counting catastrophic losses); whereas the environmental and ecological impact of accidental losses of materials can be significant;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez

Draft opinion
Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Da. whereas every day countless tons of waste reaches the sea from the mainland or is discarded from ships, and whereas a very significant proportion of this is plastic waste (bottles and bags, among other items)

Or. es

Amendment 42

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli

Draft opinion

Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Da. whereas the revised Port Reception Facilities Directive should reduce significantly the cost and burden disincentive for fishers to bring gear and plastic litter back to the port;

Or. en

Amendment 43

John Flack

Draft opinion

Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Da. whereas the EU Member States are signatories of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) and should aim for full implementation of its provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion

Recital D b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Db. whereas plastics have an adverse

*impact on seafood quality and safety;
Recognizes that data and knowledge gaps
exist for risks of small microplastics and
nanoplastics in seafood, and consider
applying risk analysis approaches;*

Or. en

Amendment 45
Seán Kelly

Draft opinion
Recital D b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

*Db. whereas studies have shown that
up to 70% of floating macroplastic debris
in the open ocean is fishing-related;*

Or. en

Amendment 46
John Flack

Draft opinion
Recital D b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

*Db. whereas the issue of plastic marine
litter is a global challenge that can only
be tackled by international cooperation;*

Or. en

Amendment 47
Seán Kelly

Draft opinion
Recital D c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Dc. whereas studies have shown that the presence of microplastics in the marine environment can be significant, with evidence showing that they can be ingested by marine animals and enter the food chain as a result, with potential health impacts;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Seán Kelly

Draft opinion
Recital D d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Dd. whereas the UN Environment Assembly of the UN Environment Programme recognised in its resolution from the 23-27 May 2016 session that the presence of plastic litter and microplastics in the marine environment is a rapidly increasing serious issue of global concern that needs an urgent global response taking into account a product life-cycle approach; whereas the same resolution encouraged product manufacturers and others to eliminate or reduce the use of primary microplastic particles in products;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital E a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ea. whereas there is considerable consumer-confusion related to plastic terminology, particularly around biodegradable, bioplastic and bio-based plastics, and that education on plastics and clear information from plastic producers is critical to delivering on the plastics strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital E b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Eb. whereas the European Commission has proposed a non-binding target of reducing marine litter by 30% by 2020 for the ten most common types of litter found on beaches, as well as for fishing gear found at sea; Whereas voluntary measures are insufficient in tackling the current crisis in marine plastics;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Recital E c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ec. whereas the occurrence and impacts of microplastics in fisheries and aquaculture need to be comprehensively

studied;

Or. en

Amendment 52

Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets, ***for waste produced on board, and for waste and litter collected at sea during fishing operations***, and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Or. en

Amendment 53

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli, Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations ***of*** the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; ***invites the Commission to assess the viability of***

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***support plans for the collection of litter at sea with the involvement of fishing vessels and to*** implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets; ***calls furthermore on the Commission and Member States to use the recommendations in*** the Best Practice

using biodegradable fishing nets;

Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing;

Or. it

Amendment 54
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to **implement** a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of **using** biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to **introduce** a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the **environmental impact and the** viability of biodegradable fishing nets;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Isabelle Thomas

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception **and recycling** scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment 56

Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States **and regions** to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Or. es

Amendment 57

Peter van Dalen

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the **Best Practice Framework for the Management** of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the **FAO Voluntary Guidelines on the Marking** of Fishing Gear, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Or. en

Amendment 58

Francisco José Millán Mon, Gabriel Mato, Carlos Iturgaiz, Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the **Best Practice Framework for the Management of Fishing Gear**, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a port reception scheme for end-of-life nets and to use the recommendations of the **FAO Voluntary Guidelines on the Marking of Fishing Gear**, liaising closely with the fishing sector to fight ghost fishing; invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets;

Or. en

Amendment 59

Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Regrets that the implementation of Article 48 (3) on retrieval and reporting obligations regarding lost fishing gear of the control Regulation (Regulation (EC) 1224/2009) has not been part of the Commission's 2017 evaluation and implementation report; firmly believes that a future control Regulation should contain similar provisions and that their implementation should be subject to reporting obligations;

Or. en

Amendment 60

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Welcomes the Commission's Communication entitled "European Strategy for Plastics in a Circular Economy" (COM(2018)0028) in support of the implementation of Marine Strategy Framework Directive, which aims to achieve good environmental status of European marine waters;

Or. en

Amendment 61

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Ulrike Rodust, Damiano Zoffoli

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the EU and Member States to improve the coordination of international efforts to reduce the forms of marine pollution and to step up global measures against plastic, in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDG 14);

Or. it

Amendment 62
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the Commission and the

Member States to work with the fishing sector to implement a mapping programme for marine plastic waste in order to improve understanding of its origin and life cycle;

Or. fr

Amendment 63
Nicola Caputo, Renata Briano

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to improve understanding and measurement of marine litter, an aspect that is often overlooked but which is essential in order to support effective prevention and recovery measures;

Or. it

Amendment 64
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Stresses that tackling marine litter requires a whole series of interlinked and ambitious multilevel actions and that reduction in overall plastic use must be the priority of the plastics strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Nils Torvalds

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Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

1a. Stresses the need for a detailed assessment of the implementation of the requirements of the Control Regulation in terms of fishing gears

Or. en

Amendment 66
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the Commission to encourage and finance "Fishing for litter" projects:

Or. en

Amendment 67
Nils Torvalds

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Underlines the need for more detailed data on the contribution of aquaculture to marine litter, notably in terms of micro plastics in the mussel farming sector

Or. en

Amendment 68
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Calls on the Commission to encourage and initiate fishermen education projects in order to enhance awareness on the subject

Or. en

Amendment 69
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to provide fishermen with information on the problem of marine waste;

Or. fr

Amendment 70
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Invites the Commission to assess the viability of using biodegradable fishing nets and biodegradable materials for aquaculture, including "socks" used as substrate in mussels farms; invites the

Commission to evaluate the possibility to forbid the widely used Styrofoam boxes on boats;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1d. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to, in line with the MARPOL convention, prohibit disposal of waste produced on board and for waste and litter collected by sea during fishing operations;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

Amendment

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to support the use of innovative fishing gear by encouraging fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets *and to adapt existing nets with net trackers and sensors linked to smart phone apps, radio frequency identification chips and vessel ‘creepers’ so that skippers can keep more accurate track of their nets and retrieve them if necessary;*

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to support the use of innovative fishing gear by encouraging fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets;

Or. hr

Amendment 73
Nils Torvalds

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to support the use of innovative fishing gear by encouraging fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets and to adapt existing nets with net trackers and sensors linked to smart phone apps, radio frequency identification chips and vessel ‘creepers’ so that skippers can keep more accurate track of their nets and retrieve them if necessary;

Amendment

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to support the use of innovative fishing gear by encouraging fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets and to adapt existing nets with net trackers and sensors linked to smart phone apps, radio frequency identification chips and vessel ‘creepers’ so that skippers can keep more accurate track of their nets and retrieve them if necessary; ***Considers that extended producer responsibility for fishing gear should be investigated to raise the recycling rates, in line with the principles of the Waste Framework Directive;***

Or. en

Amendment 74
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to support the use of innovative fishing gear by encouraging fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets and to adapt existing nets with net trackers and sensors linked to smart phone apps, radio frequency identification chips and vessel ‘creepers’ so that skippers can keep more accurate track of their nets and retrieve them if necessary;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 75
Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to support the use of innovative fishing gear by **encouraging** fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets and to adapt existing nets with net trackers and sensors linked to smart phone apps, radio frequency identification chips and vessel ‘creepers’ so that skippers can keep more accurate track of their nets and retrieve them if necessary;

Amendment

2. Calls on the Commission and the Member States **and regions** to support the use of innovative fishing gear by **providing public aid to** fishermen to ‘trade in’ old nets and to adapt existing nets with net trackers and sensors linked to smart phone apps, radio frequency identification chips and vessel ‘creepers’ so that skippers can keep more accurate track of their nets and retrieve them if necessary;

Or. es

Amendment 76
Peter van Dalen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 77

Ricardo Serrão Santos, Renata Briano, Ulrike Rodust, Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 78

Francisco José Millán Mon, Gabriel Mato, Carlos Iturgaiz, Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 79

Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to incentivize and assist fishermen and manufacturers to diversify away from using synthetic or plastic gears to use gears that are sustainably sourced and made exclusively from natural materials and fibres; Emphasizing the role cottage industries play in the circular economy, notes the traditional and historical role that the production and maintenance of non-synthetic gears has in fields such as net mending;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Nils Torvalds

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Takes positive note of the 108 fishing for litter operations envisaged over the seven year period 2014-2020; urges Member States to increase their number of marine litter activities and to continue making use of the EU funds foreseen for these operations

Or. en

Amendment 81
Nicola Caputo, Renata Briano

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls on the Commission to submit proposals, under the Horizon 2020 programme, for clearing litter and pollutants from the sea by developing and upgrading innovative processes;

Or. it

Amendment 82
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement a bonus scheme for fishermen who bring back to port plastic waste and lost or obsolete nets;

Or. fr

Amendment 83
Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to take the necessary measures to ensure that plastics, tyres and other waste from land do not reach the sea;

Or. es

Amendment 84
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. *Calls on the Member States not to impose a port fee on fishermen for plastic waste and lost or used nets brought back to port; notes that such a fee would be counterproductive and would deter fishermen from collecting such waste;*

Or. fr

Amendment 85
Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using *data from regional* databases, *to share information on the Global Ghost Gear Initiative data portal and to develop SafeSeaNet into a user-friendly, EU-wide system, allowing fishermen to signal lost gear;*

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States **and regions** to implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using *the available* databases;

Or. es

Amendment 86
Francisco José Millán Mon, Gabriel Mato, Carlos Iturgaiz, Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using data from regional databases, *to share information on the Global Ghost Gear Initiative data portal and* to develop SafeSeaNet into a user-friendly, EU-wide system, allowing fishermen to signal lost gear;

Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using data from regional databases to develop SafeSeaNet into a user-friendly, EU-wide system, allowing fishermen to signal lost gear;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Peter van Dalen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 88
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***establish and*** implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using data from regional databases, to share information on the Global Ghost Gear Initiative data portal and to develop SafeSeaNet into a user-friendly, EU-wide system, allowing fishermen to signal lost gear;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Isabelle Thomas

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using data from regional databases, to share information on ***the Global Ghost Gear Initiative data portal and to develop SafeSeaNet into a user-friendly, EU-wide system***, allowing fishermen to signal lost gear;

Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement an EU-wide mandatory digital reporting system for gear lost by individual fishing vessels in support of recovery action, using data from regional databases, to share information on ***a European database managed by the Fisheries Control Agency***, allowing fishermen to signal lost gear;

Or. fr

Amendment 90
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. *Notes the difficulties associated to identifying all sources of marine litter as well as the necessity for reliable data for identifying sources and pathways for marine litter; Calls on the Commission and Member States to enhance data collection in the area of marine plastics, plastic products placed on the market, and the chemical additives used in plastic products that can hinder recycling;*

Or. en

Amendment 91
Nils Torvalds

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. *Points out that international action is crucial to tackle the most significant sources of plastics litter in the oceans; Asks the Commission to continue prioritising the fight against marine litter in ocean partnerships with third countries and in other forms of international cooperation;*

Or. en

Amendment 92
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. *Calls on the Commission and Member States to support research not*

only into the use of biodegradable fishing gear but also into other sources of pollution of the sea with plastics and microplastics;

Or. it

Amendment 93

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli, Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. *Considers to assess the need to establish an Extended Producer Responsibility for producers of plastics incorporated in fishing and aquaculture gear materials;*

Or. en

Amendment 94

Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. *Calls on the Commission and the Member States to organise programmes to raise awareness of the impact of waste on marine ecosystems and to prevent waste reaching the sea;*

Or. es

Amendment 95

Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. *Calls on the Commission to come up with a specific public programme to remove plastics and other objects from the seabed*

Or. es

Amendment 96
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Stresses that Member States must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.

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Or. it

Amendment 97
Ricardo Serrão Santos, Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

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do more to encourage the fishing industry for **the use of** EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife, **as well as the removal of lost fishing gears and marine litter, and create on-board conditions to store and separate produced litter.**

Or. en

Amendment 98

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli, Ulrike Rodust

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Stresses that Member States must do more to **encourage the fishing industry to apply for** EMFF grants **allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.**

Amendment

4. Stresses that Member States must do more to **formulate strategies and plans to reduce the loss of fishing gear at sea, including by means of** EMFF grants.

Or. it

Amendment 99

Isabelle Thomas

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Stresses that Member States must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.

Amendment

4. Stresses that Member States must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants, **while giving the fund sufficient resources**, allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.

Amendment 100

Francisco José Millán Mon, Gabriel Mato, Carlos Iturgaiz, Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Stresses that *Member States must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.*

Amendment

4. Stresses that *the EMFF grants should also be utilised for the collection of waste by fishermen from the sea such as the removal of lost fishing gear and marine litter.*

Or. en

Amendment 101

Peter van Dalen

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Stresses that *Member States must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.*

Amendment

4. Stresses that *the EMFF grants should be fully utilised for the collection of waste by fishermen from the sea such as the removal of lost fishing gear and marine litter.*

Or. en

Amendment 102

Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Stresses that Member States ***must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.***

Amendment

4. Stresses that Member States ***and the EMFF must cover all the expenses incurred by fishermen for sensors, detection systems run by digital applications, radio frequency identification chips and retrieval equipment;***

Or. fr

Amendment 103

Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 4**

Draft opinion

4. Stresses that Member States ***must do more to encourage the fishing industry to apply for EMFF grants allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.***

Amendment

4. Stresses that Member States ***and regions must provide the fishing industry with the grants set out in the EMFF*** allowing them to make the changes necessary to their fishing gear to minimise their impact on marine ecosystems and wildlife.

Or. es

Amendment 104

John Flack

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 (new)**

Draft opinion

5. ***Strongly encourages the European Commission and Member States to provide more support to existing initiatives to tackle this global challenge, such as "Fishing for litter", "Oceana", "the Surfrider Foundation", the "Plastic Oceans Foundation", "Mission Blue"***

Amendment

initiative and "One world, one ocean".

Or. en

Amendment 105

Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to acknowledge and differentiate in policy and regulation that fishermen who tend to be smaller scale not only have a high social and economic value within the circular economy, particularly in their communities, but also have a lower environmental impact in comparison with industrial fisheries, merchant shipping such as heavy freight and oil, and passenger ships such as ocean liners and cruise liners; Recognizes responsibilities of contributors to microplastic contamination from industry, sewage, transport, etc.

Or. en

Amendment 106

Seán Kelly

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Welcomes the Resolution of the UN Environment Assembly of the UN Environment Programme of 4-6 December 2017 on marine litter and microplastics and particularly highlights its recognition of the importance of the long-term elimination of discharge of

litter and microplastics to the oceans and of avoiding detriment to marine ecosystems and the human activities dependent on them from marine litter and microplastics.

Or. en

Amendment 107

Renata Briano, Simona Bonafè, Nicola Caputo, David-Maria Sassoli, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Damiano Zoffoli

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Urges the Member States to make further efforts for the timely implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive in order to achieve good environmental status for marine waters, with a particular commitment to avoiding harm to the coastal and marine environment from all plastic pollution as plastic bag and the use of microplastics in the products;

Or. en

Amendment 108

Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Commission to support the development of innovative solutions which prevent microplastics from reaching the seas by introducing mandatory requirements for microplastic filters in the review of the ecodesign

measures for industrial and household washing machines and washer dryers as well as in waste water treatment plants;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to ban the use of microplastics in their expected legislative measures and not simply restrict their use as microplastics have been scientifically proven to be not only detrimental to fish stocks, biodiversity and its natural processes and interactions, but also human health;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Ulrike Rodust, Renata Briano

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Stresses that a number of Pilot Projects and projects funded by different EU programmes have focused on various aspects of ghost nets and ghost fishing; calls on the Commission to consider the findings and recommendations of those projects in future policy action on ghost nets and ghost fishing;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Commission, the Member States and the regions to recognise that the fisheries sector can help to remove plastic from our seas and oceans, as shown by the pioneering initiatives carried out so far, such as that run by the fishermen's guild in Motril, Granada (Spain);

Or. es

Amendment 112
Rosa D'Amato

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to promote campaigns to raise awareness of the issue of marine pollution caused by plastics and microplastics, underlining the fact that fishermen are also often affected by this phenomenon, especially in the case of microplastics;

Or. it

Amendment 113
Linnéa Engström, Marco Affronte
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Calls on the Commission, in line with the principle of substitution and with the REACH procedures for restricting substances that pose a risk to the environment or health, as part of the plastic strategy, to urgently follow through with the process requested by the Council to restrict the use of intentionally added microplastics, by requesting the European Chemicals Agency to review the scientific basis for taking regulatory action at EU level to ban the use of microplastics in certain product categories such as personal care products, cosmetics, detergents and paints.

Or. en

Amendment 114
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Calls on the Commission and Member States to facilitate and promote cost-effective and well-targeted monitoring of microplastics in the environment, biota and seafood products (market sampling) and promote capacity building and implementation of best practices in monitoring and the review of microplastics contamination of seafood and microplastics contamination effects on fish resources;

Or. en

Amendment 115
Seán Kelly

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Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. *Considers micro-plastics to be an unnecessary source of pollution and therefore calls on the Commission, as a key element in the European Strategy for Plastics in a Circular Economy, to bring forward a legislative proposal with the purpose of prohibiting the manufacture, sale, or import for sale of any cosmetic product in the European Union that contains micro-plastics;*

Or. en

Amendment 116
Clara Eugenia Aguilera García

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. *Calls on the Commission to include proposals and initiatives promoting the reduction of plastics on the seabed and the other circular economy proposals in the fisheries agreements concluded by the EU.*

Or. es

Amendment 117
Seán Kelly

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4c. *Highlights that improving waste collection and management systems is the*

most urgent solution to reduce marine plastic pollution in the short-term; calls therefore on the Commission and on Member States to ensure that obligations as set out in Directive 2008/98/EC on separate collection of waste are fully and strictly implemented;

Or. en

Amendment 118
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4c. Calls on the Commission and Member States to adopt food safety risk analysis frameworks to evaluate hazards and risks to consumers of seafood contaminated with microplastics and to determine decisions and measures to ensure effective consumer protection and viable seafood trade;

Or. en

Amendment 119
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4e. Calls on the Commission and Member States to develop and promote the most appropriate approaches for monitoring microplastic contamination levels in commercial fish resources and the impacts of microplastic contamination on fish and fisheries products; Strengthening and harmonizing

analytical methods used for detection and quantification of microplastics and nanoplastics, and ensure appropriate risk based interpretation of results;

Or. en

Amendment 120
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4f. Stresses the urgent need to communicate actively and adequately about hazards and risk management of microplastic contamination of seafood to the general public, food safety and consumer protection authorities, fisheries and aquaculture agencies as well as to the seafood industry;

Or. en

Amendment 121
Liadh Ní Riada

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4g. Calls for cooperation between Member States, national and regional authorities, industry and stakeholders concerned with effects of microplastic and nanoplastic contamination and pollution impacts in fisheries, aquaculture and seafood supply chains;

Or. en