

**Question for written answer E-000505/2021  
to the Commission**

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Subject: International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture 2022

The United Nations General Assembly has declared 2022 the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture (IYAFA 2022).<sup>1</sup>

The IYAFA has been established as a means to focus world attention on the role that small-scale fishers, fish farmers and fish workers play in food security and nutrition, poverty eradication and sustainable natural resource use, thereby increasing global understanding and action to support them. The celebration will also be an opportunity to enhance dialogue between different actors, and not least to boost partnership among small-scale producers and make themselves seen, heard and included in the policy- and decision-making that shapes their everyday lives, from local community level to international and global forums.

What actions and initiatives will the Commission take to mark the IYAFA?

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.fao.org/artisanal-fisheries-aquaculture-2022/en/>