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AMENDMENTS

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Draft report
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The implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1100/2007 establishing measures for the recovery of the stock of European eel
((2023/2030(INI))

Amendment 1

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the European Commission proposal of 22 June 2022 for a regulation on nature restoration ((COM(2022) 304 final),*

Or. en

Amendment 2

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Citation 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *Having regard to the European Parliament resolution of 9 June 2021 on the EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030: Bringing nature back into our lives (2020/2273(INI)),*

Or. en

Amendment 3

Bert-Jan Ruissen

Motion for a resolution

Citation 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *Having regard to the report of 2022 issued by the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES) on the workshop for the Technical evaluation of EU Member States' Progress Reports*

for submission in 2021 (WKEMP3);

Or. en

Amendment 4

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Eel Regulation lays down an obligation for Member States to develop national Eel Management Plans (EMP), with a uniform ***action target*** and an internationally coordinated, triannual monitoring and evaluation process;

Amendment

A. whereas the Eel Regulation lays down ***amongst others*** an obligation for Member States to develop national Eel Management Plans (EMP), with a uniform ***objective*** and an internationally coordinated, triannual monitoring and evaluation process, ***as well as obligations to reduce fishing effort***;

Or. en

Amendment 5

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. ***whereas only the Netherlands has submitted updated EMPs for approval, namely in 2011 and again in 2018;***

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 6

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas ***only the Netherlands has submitted updated EMPs for approval, namely in 2011 and again in 2018;***

Amendment

C. whereas ***Member States are taking action and are implementing their EMPs in different ways based on their national administrative tradition; whereas more action is needed in terms of implementing measures and, where necessary, updating their EMPs;***

Or. en

Amendment 7

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas distributed control under central coordination is a feature of the Eel Regulation; ***whereas eel stock management is too complex for a one-size-fits-all approach;*** whereas the Eel Regulation gives flexibility to Member States to adjust their national EMPs to local circumstances and national priorities;

Amendment

E. whereas distributed control under central coordination is a feature of the Eel Regulation; whereas the Eel Regulation gives flexibility to Member States to adjust their national EMPs to local circumstances and national priorities ***to the extent that does not undermine the objective of stock recovery;***

Or. en

Amendment 8

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas, according to the 2019 Poseidon report, 18 out of 19 Member States reported in 2012; ***whereas, according to the 2019 Poseidon report, 14 out of 19 Member States reported in 2015; whereas, according to the 2019 Poseidon***

Amendment

G. whereas ***reporting by Member States has often been incomplete and non-standardised;*** according to the 2019 Poseidon report: 18 out of 19 Member States reported in 2012; 14 out of 19 Member States reported in 2015; 15 out of

report, 15 out of 19 Member States reported in 2018; whereas, according to the ICES (2022), only 13 out of 19 Member States reported in 2021; ***whereas reporting by Member States has often been incomplete and non-standardised***;

19 Member States reported in 2018; whereas, according to the ICES (2022), only 13 out of 19 Member States reported in 2021;

Or. en

Amendment 9

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas the Commission evaluated whether the Eel Regulation was fit for purpose in 2020, concluding that it was relevant and fit for purpose, while adding that further ambition was needed to implement the Regulation with a greater focus on non-fisheries related measures;

Amendment

I. whereas the Commission evaluated whether the Eel Regulation was fit for purpose in 2020, concluding that it was relevant and fit for purpose, while adding that further ambition was needed to implement the Regulation with a greater focus on non-fisheries related measures; ***whereas the Commission noted that despite progress in reducing fishing effort and a concerted attempt to develop a pan-EU management framework, the status of the European eel remains critical***;

Or. en

Amendment 10

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas the European eel is listed as ‘critically endangered’ under the IUCN Red List; whereas the recovery of the stock is still far from certain; whereas it is

widely recognised that the recovery of the European eel will take many decades, given the long life-span of the species;

Or. en

Amendment 11

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital I b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ib. whereas the Commission proposal for a nature restoration law proposed the restoration of the natural connectivity of rivers and natural functions of the related floodplains, including the objective of restoring at least 25 000 km of rivers into free-flowing rivers in the Union by 2030;

Or. en

Amendment 12

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital I c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ic. whereas the European Parliament requested in its 2021 resolution the inclusion in the nature restoration plans for the restoration of at least 25 000 km of free-flowing rivers in the EU through the removal of barriers and the restoration of floodplains;

Or. en

Amendment 13

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to make the Eel Regulation the core policy for eel ***protection once again***, ensuring a holistic and coherent approach; ***reiterates*** that the Eel Regulation was found to be fit for purpose by the Commission evaluation of 2020; is of the opinion that better implementation of the Eel Regulation and additional actions by Member States are needed;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to make ***full use of*** the Eel Regulation ***as*** the core policy for eel ***management***, ensuring a holistic and coherent approach ***which also includes fully implementing measures in other relevant areas outside of fisheries***; ***recalls*** that the Eel Regulation was found to be fit for purpose by the Commission evaluation of 2020; is of the opinion that better implementation of the Eel Regulation and additional actions by Member States are needed;

Or. en

Amendment 14

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***make*** the Eel Regulation the core policy for ***eel protection once again***, ensuring a holistic and coherent approach; reiterates that the Eel Regulation was found to be fit for purpose by the Commission evaluation of 2020; is of the opinion that better implementation of the Eel Regulation and additional actions by Member States are needed;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***maintain*** the Eel Regulation ***as*** the core policy for ***the recovery of eel stocks***, ensuring a holistic and coherent approach; reiterates that the Eel Regulation was found to be fit for purpose by the Commission evaluation of 2020; is of the opinion that better implementation of the Eel Regulation and additional actions by Member States are needed;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***make the Eel Regulation the core policy for eel protection once again, ensuring*** a holistic and coherent approach; reiterates that the Eel Regulation was found to be fit for purpose by the Commission evaluation of 2020; is of the opinion that better implementation of the Eel Regulation and additional actions by Member States are needed;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***ensure*** a holistic and coherent approach ***of the Eel Regulation***; reiterates that the Eel Regulation was found to be fit for purpose by the Commission evaluation of 2020; ***nevertheless***, is of the opinion that better implementation of the Eel Regulation and additional actions by Member States are needed;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

1a. Notes with concern that the European eel remains classified as a Critically Endangered species with a declining population trend on the IUCN red list; expresses its full support for all conservation and protection measures necessary to restore eel populations; highlights the ICES advise to reduce eel catches to zero; is worried that, despite imposing a partial closure, eel fisheries have still been permitted in 2023, which has been further endangering the species;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Reaffirms the Eel Regulation's objective of the recovery of the eel stock to 40 % compared to pristine conditions and its main aim of reducing mortality so as to allow for this recovery; advises that it is essential to focus on the short-term achievable mortality target in order to reach the long-term biomass objective; highlights the fact that 'pristine conditions' can be hard to define; ***points out that the 40 % target is likely to be unachievable because of habitat losses, but that it is the standard for deriving the mortality reduction target;***

Amendment

2. Reaffirms the Eel Regulation's objective of the recovery of the eel stock to 40 % compared to pristine conditions and its main aim of reducing mortality so as to allow for this recovery; advises that it is essential to focus on the short-term achievable mortality target in order to reach the long-term biomass objective; highlights the fact that 'pristine conditions' can be hard to define;

Or. en

Amendment 18

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Reaffirms the Eel Regulation's objective of the recovery of the eel stock to 40 % compared to pristine conditions and its main aim of reducing mortality so as to allow for this recovery; advises that it is essential to focus on the short-term achievable mortality target in order to reach the long-term biomass objective; ***highlights the fact that 'pristine conditions' can be hard to define;*** points out that the 40 % target ***is likely to be unachievable because of habitat losses, but that it is the standard for deriving the mortality reduction target;***

Amendment

2. Reaffirms the Eel Regulation's objective of the recovery of the eel stock to 40 % compared to pristine conditions and its main aim of reducing mortality so as to allow for this recovery; advises that it is essential to focus on the short-term achievable mortality target in order to reach the long-term biomass objective; points out that ***in order to reach*** the 40 % target, habitat ***loss needs to be addressed;***

Amendment 19
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Reaffirms the Eel Regulation's objective of the recovery of the eel stock to 40 % compared to pristine conditions and its main aim of reducing mortality ***so as*** to allow ***for this*** recovery; advises that it is essential to focus on the short-term achievable mortality target in order to reach the long-term biomass objective; highlights the fact that 'pristine conditions' can be hard to define; points out that the 40 % target is likely to be unachievable because of habitat losses, but that it is the standard for deriving the mortality reduction target;

Amendment

2. Reaffirms the Eel Regulation's objective of the recovery of the eel stock to 40 % compared to pristine conditions and its main aim of reducing mortality to allow ***the recovery of the species***; advises that it is essential to focus on the short-term achievable mortality target in order to reach the long-term biomass objective; highlights the fact that 'pristine conditions' can be hard to define; points out that the 40 % target is likely to be unachievable because of habitat losses, but that it is the standard for deriving the mortality reduction target;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Points out that ***the decline in stock has halted since*** the adoption of the Eel Regulation, ***indicating that the Eel Regulation is showing positive preliminary results, but that recovery will be a long-term process over several decades***;

Amendment

3. Points out that ***despite*** the adoption of the Eel Regulation ***16 years ago, according to the latest ICES assessment the status of European Eel remains critical, with eel recruitment remaining at a very low level and populations sizes considered likely to be well below potential biological limit reference points; calls on the Commission and on the Member States to take additional measures, such as a full closure of eel***

fisheries as advised by ICES.

Or. en

Amendment 21
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Points out that the decline in **stock** has halted since the adoption of the Eel Regulation, indicating that the Eel Regulation is showing positive preliminary results, **but that** recovery will be a long-term process over several decades;

Amendment

3. Points out **that some data shows** that the decline in **stocks in some areas** has halted since the adoption of the Eel Regulation, indicating that the Eel Regulation is showing **some** positive preliminary results, **however to a large extent the decrees in the stocks are still persisting and thus consequently** recovery will be a long-term process over several decades;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Points out that the decline in stock has halted since the adoption of the Eel Regulation, **indicating that the Eel Regulation is showing positive preliminary results**, but that recovery will be a long-term process over several decades;

Amendment

3. Points out that the decline in stock **recruitment for glass and yellow eel** has halted since the adoption of the Eel Regulation but **remains since several years below any limit reference points; highlights** that recovery will be a long-term process over several decades, **which means that continued monitoring and action will be necessary**;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Highlights that the proposed measures by the Eel Regulation have a limited and uneven effect due to differences in fishing patterns among each Member State; stresses that the Member States need to strengthen national measures, in order to ensure a comprehensive approach of the Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is too complex for a one-sided marine-oriented approach; ***highlights the fact that focusing on annual fishing opportunities does not take into account important factors such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade;*** underlines that the Eel Regulation is holistic and comprehensive, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts may be bigger than the fisheries impacts and that far too little attention has been given thus far to non-fishery anthropogenic mortalities; ***is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation***

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is too complex for a one-sided marine-oriented approach; underlines that the Eel Regulation is holistic and comprehensive, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts may be bigger than the fisheries impacts and that far too little attention has been given thus far to non-fishery anthropogenic mortalities, therefore ***considers to be crucial to tackle other threats to the European eel population, such as habitat loss, pollution and migration barriers;***

undermine the coherence of adopted policy; deplores, therefore, Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a 6-month closing period;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is too complex for a one-sided marine-oriented approach; highlights the ***fact that focusing on annual fishing opportunities does not take into account*** important factors such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade; underlines that the Eel Regulation ***is holistic and comprehensive***, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; ***points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts may be bigger than the fisheries impacts and that far too little attention has been given thus far to non-fishery anthropogenic mortalities; is of the opinion that*** measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation ***undermine the coherence of adopted policy; deplores, therefore, Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and***

Amendment

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is too complex for a one-sided marine-oriented approach; highlights the ***importance of following the best available scientific catch advices, in particular in the case of eel, as according to ICES fisheries make up for more than 50% of anthropogenic eel mortality in 29 of 62 Eel Management Units, where data for fishing and hydropower mortality was reported; stresses the importance of also addressing*** important factors such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade; underlines that the Eel Regulation captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; ***but acknowledges that further*** measures outside of the context of the Eel Regulation ***may be necessary in order to restore eel populations;***

2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a 6-month closing period;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is too complex for a one-sided marine-oriented approach; highlights the fact that ***focusing on*** annual fishing opportunities ***does not*** take into account important factors such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade; underlines that the Eel Regulation is holistic and comprehensive, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts ***may be bigger than the fisheries impacts and*** that far too little attention has been given thus far to non-fishery anthropogenic mortalities; is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation undermine the coherence of adopted policy; deplores, therefore, Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a 6-month closing period;

Amendment

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is too complex for a one-sided marine-oriented approach; highlights the fact that ***using*** annual fishing opportunities ***is a very ill-suited measure to properly*** take into account important factors such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade; underlines that the Eel Regulation is holistic and comprehensive, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts ***should be fully taken into account, based on an ecosystem based approach; is concerned*** that far too little attention has been given thus far to non-fishery anthropogenic mortalities; is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation undermine the coherence of adopted policy; deplores, therefore, ***the non-holistic approach taken in***, Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a 6-month closing period, ***without a full package of measures ensuring proper management measures as well as the***

appropriate support to the affected fisheries;

Or. en

Amendment 27

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is *too* complex *for a one-sided marine-oriented approach*; highlights the fact that focusing on annual fishing opportunities *does not take into account* important factors such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade; underlines that the Eel Regulation is holistic and comprehensive, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts *may be bigger than the fisheries impacts and that far too little attention has been given thus far to non-fishery anthropogenic mortalities*; *is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation undermine the coherence of adopted policy*; *deplores, therefore, Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a 6-month closing period*;

Amendment

4. Stresses that managing the eel stock is complex; highlights the fact that *in addition to* focusing on annual fishing opportunities *other* important factors *should be taken into account* such as migration barriers, habitat quality and illegal catches and trade; underlines that the Eel Regulation is holistic and comprehensive, captures both the marine and freshwater life stages of the eel and addresses both fisheries and non-fisheries impacts; points out, in addition, that non-fisheries impacts *should be given more attention*; *recalls that the most recent ICES advises for 2023 zero catches in all habitats for both recreational and commercial catches including catches of glass eels for restocking and aquaculture, that all non-fisheries related anthropogenic mortalities should be zero, and that the quantity and quality of eel habitats should be restored including restoring connectivity and the physical, chemical, and biological properties of the habitats*;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation may undermine the coherence of the regulation; highlights that the Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023^{1a}, implements a restriction of a 6-month closing period for the eel fisheries;

^{1a} Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks

Or. en

Amendment 29
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Observes that there is no feedback mechanism ensuring follow-up action and regular policy updates by the Member States in the Eel Regulation; **deplores** the fact that the ICES advice of 2012, 2018 and 2021, post-evaluating the national implementation of the Eel Regulation, has not been put into practice sufficiently;

5. Observes that there is no feedback mechanism ensuring follow-up action and regular policy updates by the Member States in the Eel Regulation; **highlights** the fact that the ICES advice of 2012, 2018 and 2021, post-evaluating the national implementation of the Eel Regulation, has not been put into practice sufficiently;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Calls for an evaluation of the Eel Management Plans by ICES for their conformity with the precautionary approach, to increase coherence with the overarching objectives for the Common Fisheries Policy (Regulation (EU) 1380/2013, Article 2)

Or. en

Amendment 31
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Calls for an evaluation by ICES of the Eel Management Plans regarding their conformity with the precautionary approach, in line with the objectives of the CFP;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory council with

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representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; suggests that this advisory council should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Or. en

Amendment 33

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory **council** with representatives from the Member States **and** the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, **conservationists** and other relevant parties; suggests that this advisory council should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Amendment

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory **group** with representatives from the Member States, the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, **civil society** and other relevant parties, **ensuring full and balanced representation of all relevant stakeholders**; suggests that this advisory council should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Or. en

Amendment 34

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory council with representatives from **the Member States** **and** the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; **suggests that this** advisory council **should be tasked with** advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Amendment

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory council with representatives from the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; **stresses that the** advisory council **main task is** advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Or. en

Amendment 35

Asger Christensen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific **advisory council** with representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; suggests that this **advisory council** should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Amendment

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific **group** with representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; suggests that this **body** should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Amendment 36
Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific **advisory council** with representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; suggests that this **advisory council** should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Amendment

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific **transboundary group** with representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, conservationists and other relevant parties; suggests that this **group** should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Or. en

Amendment 37
France Jamet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory council with representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies, **conservationists and other** relevant **parties**; suggests that this advisory council should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging

Amendment

6. Calls, therefore, for the creation of an eel-specific advisory council with representatives from the Member States and the fishing sector, recreational fishers, water managers, hydro-power companies **and all** relevant **actors**; suggests that this advisory council should be tasked with advising the Commission on the implementation of the Eel Regulation, providing feedback to Member States on their EMPs, exchanging information

information between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

between the different parties and evaluating the progress on implementation at national and European level;

Or. fr

Amendment 38
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Notes, in this regard, the Commission's intention to establish an expert group, as announced in its action plan on marine ecosystems, with the aim of bringing together fisheries and infrastructure experts from the national ministries; asks the Commission ***to take*** the above suggestions ***on board*** when setting up this expert group;

Amendment

7. Notes, in this regard, the Commission's intention to establish an expert group, as announced in its action plan on marine ecosystems, with the aim of bringing together fisheries and infrastructure experts from the national ministries; asks the Commission ***and the Member States to support and push to*** the above suggestions ***and take them into account*** when setting up this expert group;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Notes, in this regard, ***the Commission's intention to establish an expert group, as announced*** in its action plan on marine ecosystems, ***with the aim of bringing together fisheries and infrastructure experts from the national ministries; asks the Commission*** to take the above suggestions ***on board when setting up this expert group***;

Amendment

7. Notes, in this regard, ***that the Commission highlighted*** in its action plan on marine ecosystems ***the importance and urgency to improve conservation for critically endangered species that are commercially fished, such as the European eel, and to take a comprehensive approach covering different policies for their management***

and conservation;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. ***Regrets the fact that only one Member State has submitted an updated EMP for approval since the adoption of the Eel Regulation;*** urges the Member States to regularly update their EMPs, based on the best available knowledge and advice; encourages the Member States to put concrete targets and intermediate deadlines in their updated EMPs; stresses that the recovery of the eel is a long-term process that requires continuous effort and that a one-time management plan will not be sufficient;

Amendment

8. Urges the Member States to regularly update their EMPs, based on the best available knowledge and advice; encourages the Member States to put concrete targets and intermediate deadlines in their updated EMPs; stresses that the recovery of the eel is a long-term process that requires continuous effort and that a one-time management plan will not be sufficient;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Regrets the fact that only one Member State has submitted an updated EMP for approval since the adoption of the Eel Regulation; urges the Member States to regularly update their EMPs, based on the best available knowledge and advice; encourages the Member States to put concrete targets and intermediate deadlines in their updated EMPs; stresses that the

Amendment

8. Regrets the fact that only one Member State has submitted an updated EMP for approval since the adoption of the Eel Regulation; urges the Member States to regularly update their EMPs, based on the best available *scientific* knowledge and advice; encourages the Member States to put concrete targets and intermediate deadlines in their updated EMPs; stresses

recovery of the eel is a long-term process that requires continuous effort and that a one-time management plan will not be sufficient;

that the recovery of the eel is a long-term process that requires continuous effort and that a one-time management plan will not be sufficient;

Or. en

Amendment 42

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Regrets the fact that only one Member State has submitted an updated EMP for approval since the adoption of the Eel Regulation; urges the Member States to regularly update their EMPs, based on the best available knowledge and advice; **encourages** the Member States to put concrete targets and intermediate deadlines in their updated EMPs; stresses that the recovery of the eel is a long-term process that requires continuous effort and that a one-time management plan will not be sufficient;

Amendment

8. Regrets the fact that only one Member State has submitted an updated EMP for approval since the adoption of the Eel Regulation; urges the Member States to regularly update their EMPs, based on the best available knowledge and advice; **calls on** the Member States to put concrete targets and intermediate deadlines in their updated EMPs; stresses that the recovery of the eel is a long-term process that requires continuous effort and that a one-time management plan will not be sufficient;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Regrets the fact that the number of Member States adhering to the reporting requirement under Article 9(1) of the Eel Regulation has declined over the years; reminds the Member States of their obligations under Article 9(1); highlights the fact that it is vital to **gather** as much

Amendment

9. **Highlights that there is a delay in the implementation of the Regulation and there is an incomplete reporting of eel data;** Regrets the fact that the number of Member States adhering to the reporting requirement under Article 9(1) of the Eel Regulation has declined over the years;

information and data as possible in order to be able to **take** appropriate measures;

reminds the Member States of their obligations under Article 9(1); highlights the fact that it is vital to **have** as much information and data as possible, **to ensure the most updated scientific advices** in order to be able to **decide, implement and evaluate the most** appropriate **management** measures;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Regrets the fact that the number of Member States adhering to the reporting requirement under Article 9(1) of the Eel Regulation has declined over the years; reminds the Member States of their obligations **under Article 9(1)**; highlights the fact that it is vital to gather as much information and data as possible in order to be able to take appropriate measures;

Amendment

9. Regrets the fact that the number of Member States adhering to the reporting requirement under Article 9(1) of the Eel Regulation has declined over the years; reminds the Member States of **the importance of fulfilling** their obligations **in this regard**; highlights the fact that it is vital to gather as much information and data as possible in order to be able to take appropriate measures;

Or. en

Amendment 45

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Regrets the fact that the number of Member States adhering to the reporting requirement under Article 9(1) of the Eel Regulation has declined over the years; reminds the Member States of their

Amendment

9. Regrets the fact that the number of Member States adhering to the reporting requirement under Article 9(1) of the Eel Regulation has declined over the years; reminds the Member States of their

obligations under Article 9(1); highlights the fact that it is vital to gather as much information and data as possible ***in order to be able to take appropriate measures;***

obligations under Article 9(1); highlights the fact that it is vital to gather as much information and data as possible; ***highlights that a lack of data does not prevent Member States to act;***

Or. en

Amendment 46

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Welcomes the measures taken at the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) to improve eel management and research in the Mediterranean;

Or. en

Amendment 47

France Jamet

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries ***play*** in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries; underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’, while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and

10. Underlines the importance of the role of eel fisheries in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries; underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’, while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and

unregulated (IUU) fishing; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

unregulated (IUU) fishing; ***points out that fishers are being made aware of eel stock management and conservation; underlines the need to identify all other factors behind the decline in eel stocks, such as land-based pollution, climatic variations or poaching***; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Or. fr

Amendment 48
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play ***in society***, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; ***considers*** that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries; underlines that fishers have an important role to play ***as guardians and*** ‘eyes and ears’, ***while*** a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Amendment

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play ***within their local communities***, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; ***notes*** that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries ***and when needed to ensure that appropriate compensation and support are provided***; underlines that fishers have an important role to play ***in gathering data and being*** ‘eyes and ears’ ***in relation the daily activities at Sea***; ***points out the risk that*** a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in ***rural and*** remote areas, where fishers play an important ***economic***, environmental and social role;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; ***calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries;*** underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’, ***while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing;*** points out that eel fisheries carry out ***a*** small-scale, artisanal ***activity and are*** often ***located*** in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Amendment

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’ ***in our seas and rivers; and*** points out that eel fisheries, ***is mainly*** carry out ***by*** small-scale ***and*** artisanal ***fishers,*** often in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Highlights the important role that eel ***fisheries*** play in ***society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition;*** considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries;***

Amendment

10. Highlights the important role that eel play in ***ecosystems as well as their intrinsic value;*** considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***retain fisheries*** restrictions ***as well as other measures as long as needed to ensure healthy eel populations; Highlights that it is***

*underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’, while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important **environmental and** social role;*

*scientifically well-established that in marine systems, fishing **has had the most impact on biodiversity (target species, non-target species and habitats) in the past 50 years alongside other significant drivers of biodiversity loss**; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important social role; **reminds that globally small-scale fisheries account for more than 90 per cent of commercial fishers and nearly half of global fish catch**;*

Or. en

Amendment 51
Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries; underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’, while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Amendment

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries; underlines that fishers **and recreational fishers** have an important role to play as guardians and ‘eyes and ears’, while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Or. de

Amendment 52

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***refrain as much as possible from placing further restrictions on fisheries***; underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians ***and ‘eyes and ears’, while a full closure of fisheries could lead to more illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing***; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Amendment

10. Highlights the important role that eel fisheries play in society, with eel fishing being both a socio-economic activity and a cultural, centuries-old tradition; considers that eel fishing has reduced significantly in the past decade ***but the state of the stock remains critical***; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ***monitor existing fishing restrictions and to propose further actions where necessary, based on the best available scientific advice***; underlines that fishers have an important role to play as guardians ***of the sea***; points out that eel fisheries carry out a small-scale, artisanal activity and are often located in remote areas, where fishers play an important environmental and social role;

Or. en

Amendment 53

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Expresses its hope that where further restrictions on fisheries might be necessary, this is done in the context of the national EMPs and not in the form of ad hoc Council decisions, ***and*** based on prior socio-economic impact assessments;

Amendment

11. Expresses its hope that where further restrictions on fisheries might be necessary, this is done in ***a holistic way, preferably in*** the context of the national EMPs and not in the form of ad hoc Council decisions, ***regardless they must all be based on the best scientific advice and on a prior socio-economic impact assessments; urges therefore the Member States to more actively use and update the***

EMPs in order to avoid ad hoc Council decisions;

Or. en

Amendment 54

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Expresses its hope that where further restrictions on fisheries might be necessary, this is done ***in the context of the national EMPs and not in the form of ad hoc Council decisions, and*** based on ***prior socio-economic impact assessments;***

Amendment

11. Expresses its hope that where further restrictions on fisheries might be necessary, this is done based on ***the best available scientific advice, and with appropriate compensation measures in line with EMFAF provisions for fishers affected by closures, especially the small-scale sector;***

Or. en

Amendment 55

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. ***Expresses its hope that where*** further restrictions on fisheries ***might be*** necessary, ***this is*** done in the context of the national EMPs and not in the form of ad hoc Council decisions, and ***based on*** prior socio-economic impact assessments;

Amendment

11. ***Stresses that if*** further restrictions on ***eel*** fisheries ***are deemed*** necessary, ***it should be*** done in the context of the national EMPs and not in the form of ad hoc Council decisions, and ***the decisions should take into account*** prior ***environmental and*** socio-economic impact assessments;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; ***calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;***

Amendment

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately, ***therefore:***

Or. en

Amendment 57
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; ***is of the view*** that restocking is ***a necessary*** measure ***until the problem of migration barriers is***

Amendment

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; ***highlights*** that restocking is ***considered as a short to medium term*** measure ***that should be***

solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

phased out as natural recruitment and water course connectivity improves; highlights that restocking is not a conservation measure and should not be used as a replacement for adequate protection and conservation measures; recalls that the most recent ICES advises in for 2023 zero catches including catches of glass eels for restocking and aquaculture;

Or. en

Amendment 58 **France Jamet**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 12**

Motion for a resolution

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); ***stresses that glass eel catches are crucial***

Amendment

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels);

*for the European aquaculture sector and
recognises the important role of
aquaculture in restocking;*

Or. fr

Amendment 59
Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

Amendment

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking, ***including with EMFAF support***; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level, ***mainly on the fish biodiversity***; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking

Or. en

Amendment 60
Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

Amendment

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local **and regional** level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that **legal** glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

Or. de

Amendment 61

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at

Amendment

12. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls, **in this regard**, on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive

local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

effects at local level; is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

Or. en

Amendment 62 **Anja Hazekamp**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 12**

Motion for a resolution

12. ***Reaffirms*** that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; ***is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States to continue the practice of restocking;*** highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at ***an international*** level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; ***is of the opinion that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe;*** points out, furthermore, that ***catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;***

Amendment

12. ***Notes*** that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at ***population*** level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local level; ***notes that the Commission evaluation questioned the long-term use of restocking as a conservation measure given its uncertain contribution to spawner escapement and subsequent recruitment, as well as the risks involved, and should be phased out if natural recruitment and spawner escapement improves;*** points out, furthermore, that ***at least 60% of glass eel catches should be used for restocking under the eel regulation but this target was only reached in 2014; stresses that the ICES advice for 2023 includes a zero catch of all life stages including glass eels for restocking and aquaculture;***

Or. en

Amendment 63
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 – point a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**(a) calls on the Member States to
continue the practice of restocking;**

Or. en

Amendment 64
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 – point b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**(b) highlights the fact that, although
the contribution of restocking to stock
recovery at an international level cannot
be ascertained, it can have positive effects
at local level;**

Or. en

Amendment 65
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 – point c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**(c) is of the opinion that restocking is
a way of spreading and limiting risks for
the recovery of the stock, considering the
increasing drought that is causing
problems in rivers throughout Europe;
points out, furthermore, that catches for
restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all**

glass eels);

Or. en

Amendment 66
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 – point d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(d) stresses that glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Calls on the Member States to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 68

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Member States *to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level;* adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Member States to keep fishing at responsible levels *in line with the best available scientific advice*; adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;

Or. en

Amendment 69

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. *Calls on* the Member States *to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;*

Amendment

13. *Encourages* the Member States *in the context of the EMPs and in consultation with fishers, to determine the most suitable periods to fish, considering the necessity to keep fishing at responsible levels;*

Amendment 70
Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Member States to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Member States to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States *nonetheless*, in this regard, ***to opt for fishing periods that are coordinated with neighbouring Member States and*** to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;

Or. de

Amendment 71
France Jamet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Member States to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be

Amendment

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that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; ***adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;***

that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level;

Or. fr

Amendment 72

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Member States to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; ***adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;***

Amendment

13. Calls on the Member States, ***within the extent possible,*** to give flexibility to fishers in determining the most suitable periods to fish, which can differ per country; encourages the Member States, in this regard, to consider, in consultation with fishers, the use of quota systems, in order to keep fishing at responsible levels; highlights that one of the advantages of a quota system would be that it enables fishers to choose to fish at times when it is commercially interesting to do so, while limiting catches to a responsible level; ***adds that this could contribute to preventing overfishing;***

Or. en

Amendment 73

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States to remove obsolete dams and other barriers as a matter of urgency;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States to remove obsolete dams and other barriers, ***or create solutions that allow species migration*** as a matter of urgency, ***in***

accordance to Nature Restoration Law agreement and within the objectives established in the Biodiversity Strategy part of the European Green Deal;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States to remove obsolete dams and other barriers as a matter of urgency;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States to remove obsolete dams and other barriers as a matter of urgency *so as to secure migration routes*;

Or. de

Amendment 75
Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology might be needed in order to determine and certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly; highlights that the existing Royal Netherlands Standardisation Institute (NEN) standard 8775⁹ in the Netherlands could serve as an example;

Amendment

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; *calls for considering this requirement to be mandatory at the EU level by revising the Eel regulation*; points out that a common methodology might be needed in order to determine and certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly; highlights that the existing Royal Netherlands Standardisation Institute (NEN) standard 8775⁹ in the Netherlands could serve as an example; *the*

appropriate measures and possible motivation incentives for energy plant owners could be further discussed and explored within the eel-specific group.

⁹ NEN 8775:2020+C1:2022 nl.

⁹ NEN 8775:2020+C1:2022 nl.

Or. en

Amendment 76
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology might be needed in order to determine and certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly; *highlights that the existing Royal Netherlands Standardisation Institute (NEN) standard 8775⁹ in the Netherlands could serve as an example;*

⁹ NEN 8775:2020+C1:2022 nl.

Amendment

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology might be needed in order to determine and certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology *might be needed in order to determine and* certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly; *highlights that the existing Royal Netherlands Standardisation Institute (NEN) standard 8775⁹ in the Netherlands could serve as an example;*

⁹ NEN 8775:2020+C1:2022 nl.

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology *could facilitate the deployment of infrastructure that will* certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly;

Or. en

Amendment 78

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology might be needed in order to determine and certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly; highlights that the existing Royal Netherlands Standardisation Institute (NEN) standard 8775⁹ in the Netherlands could serve as an example;

⁹ NEN 8775:2020+C1:2022 nl.

Amendment

16. Underlines that there are fish-friendly alternatives on the market to make water pumps and hydro-power stations passable for fish; calls on the Member States to make fish safety *and welfare* a mandatory requirement for new installations and for old ones when they are replaced; points out that a common methodology might be needed in order to determine and certify when pumps can be considered fish friendly; highlights that the existing Royal Netherlands Standardisation Institute (NEN) standard 8775⁹ in the Netherlands could serve as an example;

⁹ NEN 8775:2020+C1:2022 nl.

Or. en

Amendment 79

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Encourages the Member States to continue with trap and ***transfer*** projects as a temporary solution for silver eel escapement, in case structural solutions are not possible in the short term;

Amendment

17. Encourages the Member States to continue with trap and ***assisted migration*** projects as a temporary solution for silver eel escapement, in case structural solutions are not possible in the short term;

Or. en

Amendment 80

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Highlights the fact that migration measures should be implemented in a coordinated way, with a view to other barriers upstream or downstream along the same migration route;

Amendment

18. Highlights the fact that migration measures should be implemented in a coordinated way, with a view to other barriers upstream or downstream along the same migration route; ***stresses that the timing of the closures shall be based on the best available scientific information for each geographical area and should be ensured that the closures cover the peak migration period;***

Or. en

Amendment 81

Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Highlights the fact that migration measures should be implemented in a coordinated way, with a view to other barriers upstream or downstream along the same migration route;

Amendment

18. Highlights the fact that migration measures should be implemented in a coordinated way, ***and on a transnational basis***, with a view to other barriers upstream or downstream along the same migration route;

Or. de

Amendment 82

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. ***Encourages*** the Member States also to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, such as pollution and parasites;

Amendment

19. ***Urges*** the Member States also to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, such as pollution, ***especially from agricultural fertilizers***, and parasites, ***and effects of climate change***; ***recalls that as a part of the Farm to Fork strategy, Member States should reduce nutrient losses by at least 50% by 2030; urges Member States to address gaps and lags in environmental legislation; highlights further to address quarantine rules for glass eels to prevent the spread of parasites during restocking***;

Or. en

Amendment 83

Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Encourages the Member States also to take measures against other

Amendment

19. ***Notes that eel fisheries in marine waters in some parts of the EU only***

anthropogenic mortality factors, such as ***pollution and parasites***;

accounts for around 3% of eel mortality; encourages the Member States also to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, ***which some reports say accounts for up to 49% of mortality rate***; ***highlights in this regard the need for proper management of other species affecting the eel population***, such as ***cormorants and another fish predators***;

Or. en

Amendment 84

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Encourages the Member States also to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, such as ***pollution and parasites***;

Amendment

19. ***Notes that eel fisheries in marine waters in some parts of the EU only accounts for around 3% of eel mortality***; encourages the Member States also to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, ***which some reports say accounts for up to 49% of mortality rate***; ***highlights in this regard the need for proper management of other species affecting the eel population***, such as ***cormorants***;

Or. en

Amendment 85

Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Encourages the Member States also to take measures against other ***anthropogenic*** mortality factors, such as ***pollution and parasites***;

Amendment

19. Encourages the Member States also to take measures against other mortality factors, such as ***pollution, parasites and predators***;

Amendment 86
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Encourages the Member States *also* to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, *such as pollution and parasites*;

Amendment

19. Encourages the Member States *to study thoroughly and* to take measures against other *eel* anthropogenic mortality factors;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Recognises the importance of civil society organisations and for individuals engaging in recreational fisheries activities, including conservation projects; notes that these activities plays an important part in the social cohesion of local and rural communities;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Underlines that IUU fishing and illegal trade continue to present a

Amendment

20. Underlines that IUU fishing and illegal trade continue to present a

significant problem; commends the current successes of law enforcement and stresses the importance of preventing further trafficking; stresses that more checks on and monitoring of the Eel Regulation are needed;

significant problem; commends the current successes of law enforcement and stresses the importance of preventing further trafficking, ***including by customs authorities***; stresses that more checks on and monitoring of the Eel Regulation are needed;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Underlines that IUU fishing and illegal trade ***continue to present*** a significant problem; commends the current successes of law enforcement and stresses the importance of preventing further trafficking; stresses that more checks on and monitoring of the Eel Regulation are needed;

Amendment

20. Underlines that IUU fishing and illegal trade ***continues to be*** a significant problem; commends the current successes of law enforcement and stresses the importance of preventing further trafficking; stresses that more checks on and monitoring of the Eel Regulation are needed;

Or. en

Amendment 90
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls for better coordination of customs, police and environmental authorities in and between the Member States, as well as exchange of data; calls on the Member States to continue to invest in the expertise and capacity of law enforcement;

Amendment

21. Calls for better coordination of customs, police and environmental authorities in and between the Member States ***as well as further cooperation with third countries***, as well as exchange of data; calls on the Member States to continue to invest in the expertise and capacity of law enforcement;

Amendment 91
Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls for better coordination of customs, police **and** environmental authorities in and between the Member States, as well as exchange of data; calls on the Member States to continue to invest in the expertise and capacity of law enforcement;

Amendment

21. Calls for better coordination of customs, police, environmental **and scientific** authorities in and between the Member States, as well as exchange of data; calls on the Member States to continue to invest in the expertise and capacity of law enforcement;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls for better coordination of customs, police and environmental authorities in and between the Member States, as well as exchange of data; calls on the Member States to continue to invest in the expertise and capacity of law enforcement;

Amendment

21. Calls for better coordination of customs, police, **fisheries control** and environmental authorities in and between the Member States, as well as exchange of data; calls on the Member States to continue to invest in the expertise and capacity of law enforcement;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Highlights the fact that improved transparency and traceability for caught glass eels is an important way of combating IUU practices and that certification schemes are an important tool to ensure the legality of catches; calls on the Member States to make public their restocking plans so that illegal trade flows of glass eels can be better identified and targeted;

Amendment

22. Highlights the fact that improved transparency and traceability for caught glass eels is an important way of combating IUU practices and that certification schemes ***based on independent verifications and internationally agreed standards*** are an important tool to ensure the legality of catches; calls on the Member States to make public their restocking plans so that illegal trade flows of glass eels can be better identified and targeted;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Highlights the fact that improved transparency and traceability for caught glass eels is an important way of combating IUU practices ***and that certification schemes are an important tool to ensure the legality of catches***; calls on the Member States to make public their restocking plans so that illegal trade flows of glass eels can be better identified and targeted;

Amendment

22. Highlights the fact that improved transparency and traceability for caught glass eels is an important way of combating IUU practices; calls on the Member States to make public their restocking plans so that illegal trade flows of glass eels can be better identified and targeted;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Annie Schreijer-Pierik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Highlights the fact that improved transparency and traceability for caught glass eels is an important way of combating IUU practices and that certification schemes are an important tool to ensure the legality of catches; calls on the Member States to make public their restocking plans so that illegal trade flows of glass eels can be better identified and targeted;

22. Highlights the fact that improved transparency and traceability for caught glass eels is an important way of combating IUU practices and that certification schemes ***such as the SEG Standard*** are an important tool to ensure the legality of catches; calls on the Member States to make public their restocking plans so that illegal trade flows of glass eels can be better identified and targeted;

Or. de

Amendment 96
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Calls on the Member States to impose truly dissuasive sanctions; ***calls for the harmonisation of*** financial fines between Member States;

Amendment

23. Calls on the Member States to ***swiftly implement the recently approved Fisheries Control Regulation that*** impose truly dissuasive sanctions ***and harmonise*** financial fines between Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 97
France Jamet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Recalls that much is unknown about the eel, including its spawning process and the exact reasons for the stock decline; calls, therefore, for more scientific research, with sufficient funding and human resources, into the status of the stock and the reasons for its decline; suggests that research should also look into the effects of ***climate change, for example***

Amendment

24. Recalls that much is unknown about the eel, including its spawning process and the exact reasons for the stock decline; calls, therefore, for more scientific research, with sufficient funding and human resources, into the status of the stock and the reasons for its decline; suggests that research should also look into the effects of ***climatic variations, land-***

in the Gulf Stream to and from the Sargasso Sea;

based pollution and destabilisation of the sector caused by global speculation.

Or. fr

Amendment 98

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Recalls that much is unknown about the eel, ***including its spawning process and the exact reasons for the stock decline***; calls, therefore, for more scientific research, with sufficient funding and human resources, into the status of ***the stock*** and the reasons for its decline; suggests that research should also look into the effects of climate change, for example in the Gulf Stream to and from the Sargasso Sea;

Amendment

24. Recalls that much is unknown about the eel; calls, therefore, for more scientific research, with sufficient funding and human resources, into the status of ***eel population*** and the reasons for its decline; suggests that research should also look into ***pollutants as well as*** the effects of climate change, for example in the Gulf Stream to and from the Sargasso Sea;

Or. en

Amendment 99

Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Recalls that much is unknown about the eel, including its spawning process and the exact reasons for the stock decline; calls, therefore, for more scientific research, with sufficient funding and human resources, into the status of the stock and the reasons for its decline; suggests that research should also look into the effects of climate change, for example in the Gulf Stream to and from the

Amendment

24. Recalls that much is unknown about the eel ***life cycle***, including its spawning process and the exact reasons for the stock decline; calls, therefore, for more scientific research, with sufficient funding and human resources, into the status of the stock and the reasons for its decline; suggests that research should also look into the effects of climate change, for example in the Gulf Stream to and from the

Sargasso Sea;

Sargasso Sea;

Or. en

Amendment 100

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Points out that ***there is a disconnect between*** the implementation of the Eel Regulation and the ICES annual advice on fishing opportunities, since the latter is based on the glass eel ***trend*** and not on the escapement of silver eel (40 % target); ***calls for this to be harmonised***;

Amendment

25. Points out that the implementation of the Eel Regulation and the ICES annual advice on fishing opportunities ***should be harmonised*** since the latter is based on the glass eel ***and yellow eel recruitment*** and not on the escapement of silver eel (40 % target); ***highlights the need to improve recruitment data including on international level***;

Or. en

Amendment 101

Anja Hazekamp

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Points out that there is a disconnect between the implementation of the Eel Regulation and the ICES annual advice on fishing opportunities, since the latter is based on the glass eel ***trend*** and not on the escapement of silver eel (40 % target); ***calls for this to be harmonised***;

Amendment

25. Points out that there is a disconnect between the implementation of the Eel Regulation and the ICES annual advice on fishing opportunities, since the latter is based on the glass eel ***and yellow eel recruitment trends*** and not on the escapement of silver eel (40 % target); ***calls for this to be harmonised***;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Stresses that data collection, monitoring and reporting should be harmonised and standardised so that data can be compared; recommends that **commercial and recreational** fishers should be involved in the collection and analysis of data;

Amendment

27. Stresses that data collection, monitoring and reporting should be harmonised and standardised so that data can be compared; recommends that fishers, **where appropriate**, should be involved in the collection and analysis of data;

Or. en

Amendment 103
Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Encourages the Member States to put in place more transboundary EMPs, where appropriate;

Amendment

28. Encourages the Member States to put in place more transboundary EMPs, where appropriate; **highlights the importance of the Commission to support and facilitate such work by the Member States;**

Or. en

Amendment 104
Isabel Carvalhais

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Calls on the Commission and the relevant Member States **to have an ambitious and realistic** General Fisheries

Amendment

29. Calls on the Commission and the relevant Member States, **in the context of the** General Fisheries Commission for the

Commission for the Mediterranean management plan for *eel*; ***believes that it is highly desirable for this plan to*** be aligned with the Eel Regulation;

Mediterranean, ***to have an ambitious and realistic approach to the multiannual*** management plan for ***the European eel***; ***highlights that this multiannual management plan should*** be aligned with the Eel Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 105

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Calls on the Commission ***and the*** relevant Member States to have an ambitious and ***realistic*** General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean management plan for eel; believes that it is highly desirable for this plan to be aligned with the Eel Regulation;

Amendment

29. Calls on the Commission, relevant Member States ***and contracting parties*** to have an ambitious and ***science-based*** General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean management plan for eel; believes that it is highly desirable for this plan to be aligned with the Eel Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 106

Asger Christensen, Martin Hlaváček

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Calls on the Commission ***and the relevant Member States to have*** an ambitious and realistic General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean management plan for eel; believes that it is highly desirable for this plan to be aligned with the Eel Regulation;

Amendment

29. Calls on the Commission ***to work for*** an ambitious and realistic General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean management plan for eel; believes that it is highly desirable for this plan to be aligned with the Eel Regulation;

Or. en

