I just met with [Redacted] from Europêche, representing the EU fishing industry.

Their main concern is fuel detaxation. If there is such prohibition, it would wipe out the EU small scale sector. The EU request for a full exclusion of fuel detaxation from the disciplines is very reassuring for them. In general they would be favourable to different disciplines for small and large scale fleets, but those should be well defined.

He insisted that Europêche is not asking for funding for vessel construction under the EMFF, it’s a request from some MS and some sectors of the fleet.

He did various considerations about positions from third countries and stakeholders:

- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- On overfished stocks, I explained the issue with TPP countries who agreed not to provide such subsidies and he replied asking how they do it with the Pacific Bluefin tuna (it’s worth asking in the next cluster, see some info here: [https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/species/pacific-bluefin-tuna](https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/species/pacific-bluefin-tuna))
- In LDAC the industry and NGOs tried to draft a common position but it failed mostly because of fuel.