

**International Conference  
Processing, Certification and Trade in the  
Fisheries and Aquaculture Business**

9-10 June 2026  
CBK Park Bosphorus Hotel  
Istanbul, Türkiye

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour of inviting you to participate in the International Conference — *“Processing, Certification and Trade in the Fisheries and Aquaculture Business”* in Istanbul, Türkiye on 9-10 June 2026. The conference will be organised by the International Organisation for the Development of Fisheries and Aquaculture in Europe (Eurofish) in cooperation with the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Türkiye.

The fisheries and aquaculture sector is undergoing significant transformation. Fish processing is becoming increasingly automated, with robotics and artificial intelligence being integrated into production lines. Consumer preferences in many markets are shifting away from whole fish towards processed and ready-to-eat products, particularly among younger demographics. The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated changes in distribution, including greater direct-to-consumer delivery that shortens traditional supply chains. Regulatory and market emphasis on certification and sustainability is rising, notably within the EU through sustainability reporting requirements for large companies. Maximising the benefits of these certification demands will also be a focal point of the conference. International experts will present new ideas, best practices, and practical solutions. Participants are expected from Türkiye and numerous European countries, FAO, the Black Sea region, the Caucasus, Central Asia, and will include representatives from government, civil society, the private sector, and intergovernmental organisations.

Please find attached a provisional agenda. The conference working languages will be English and Turkish.

I invite you to confirm your participation by register at the Eurofish website; <https://eurofish.dk/2026-eurofish-conference-istanbul/> before **22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**. Please note there are limited number of seats.

I encourage you to share this information widely among your networks.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your collaboration.

Marco Frederiksen, Director