

FISHERIES SERVICES

BELGIUM

Services provided to the Fisheries Value Chain

1. Services Provided to all Value Chain Elements

1.1. Services provided by administrations

1.1.1. Research

- Flemish Authority –Institute for Agricultural and Fisheries Research (ILVO)
Fisheries Research
Ankerstraat, 1
B-8400 Oostende
<http://www.ilvo.vlaanderen.be>
- Flemish Institute for the Sea (VLIZ)
Platform for coordination and information
Wandelaarskaai, 7
B-8400 Oostende

1.1.2. Veterinary services and hygiene inspection

- The Federal Food Agency (FAVV)
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B-1000 Brussel

All segments of the food chain have to contribute to the FAVV. Veterinary services are paid by the client.

<http://www.favv-afsca.fgov.be>

1.1.3. (Re-)Training

- Maritiem Instituut (RAGO) John BAUWENS
B-8400 Oostende
- Flemish Public Employment Service (VDAB)
<http://www.vdab.be>

1.1.4. Promotion

- Flemish Centre for Agricultural and Fisheries Marketing (VLAM)
Leuvenseplein, 4
B-1000 Brussels

Autonomous agency with private law form under political responsibility of the Flemish Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries.

Sectors are paying contributions to support promotion actions. <http://www.vlam.be>

1.1.5. Waste specifications and inspection

- Flemish authority
Openbare afvalstoffenmaatschappij van het Vlaams Gewest (OVAM)
<http://www.ovam.be>

1.2. Privately provided services

None

2. Services Provided to the Harvesting Sector

2.1. Services provided by administrations

2.1.1. Harbour and port services

Organised by the local authorities (Zeebrugge, Oostende? Nieuwpoort). Fishermen have to pay for the services.

2.1.2. Enforcement

- Flemish Authority
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
Seafisheries inspection
Vrijhavenlaan, 5
B-8400 Oostende

Control of sea fisheries activities and landings in coordination with other inspection services. Also: satellite monitoring: fisheries sector pays communications vessel-control centre; Flemish authority is paying for communications control centre – coastal state.

- Ministry of Defense
Marine Department
Seafisheries control at sea

- Flemish Authority
DAB – Fleet
Sir Winston Churchill kaai, 2
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(also rescue operations)
- Federal Public Service Economy
Control and mediation
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Control of market organisation
- Federal Public Service Environment
Belgisch Mathematisch Model Noordzee (BMM)
Aerial pollution and fisheries control

2.1.3. Data collection

- Flemish Authority
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
Vrijhavenlaan, 5
B-8400 Oostende
Also: TAC and quota-administration and licences
<http://www.vlaanderen.be/zeevisserij>
- Flemish Authority –Institute for Agricultural and Fisheries Research (ILVO)
Fisheries Research
Ankerstraat, 1
B-8400 Oostende
<http://www.ilvo.vlaanderen.be>
- Federal Public Service Economy
NIS – Statistics Belgium
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<http://statbel.fgov.be>

2.1.4. Communication

- Ministry of Defense
Radio Maritime Services (RMD)
Marinebasis Zeebrugge
B-8380 Zeebrugge
Services paid by the fishermen

2.1.5. (Re-)Training

- Nautical Centre
Coöperation between Flemish authorities and private sector
Sail simulator
Blondeellaan
B-8380 Zeebrugge

- Fonds voor Scheepsjongens
Vrijhavenstraat, 5
B-8400 Oostende
Fund sponsored by Flemish Authority, FPS Mobility and Transport, Province of West-Flanders and the fisheries sector via PO Rederscentrale.
Objectives: promotion of recruitment of young sailors and fishermen by paying a certain amount per day at sea.

2.1.6. Auctions

Harbour of Zeebrugge: private auction
Harbour of Oostende: auction is an autonomous municipal company
Harbour of Nieuwpoort: municipal auction

2.1.7. Rescue at Sea

- Flemish Authority
Agency for Maritime Services and Coast
Department shipping Accompaniment
MRCC (Maritime rescue and coordination centre)
Maritiem Plein, 3
B-8400 Oostende

- Flemish Authority
Administratie waterwegen en zeezezen (AWZ)
DAB – Fleet
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2.1.8. Safety specifications and inspection

- Federal Public Service Mobility and transport
Maritime Transport
Vooruitgangsstraat, 56
B-1000 Brussel
<http://www.mobilit.fgov.be>

2.2. Privately provided services

- Stichting Duurzame Visserijontwikkeling (SDVO)
Ankerstraat, 1
B-8400 Oostende

Paid by part of the taxes of the fisheries sector, to develop economical, ecological and social measures for the fisheries sector

Objectives:

- Promotion of sector consultation and transfer of knowledge
- Research for new fishing techniques
- Amelioration of fish stock management and fisheries control
- organisation of training and information
- image building

2.2.1. Re-training and security

- Zeevissersfonds (Fund for seafishermen) – Previs
Hendrik Baelskaai, 25
B-8400 Oostende

Paid by contributions from the fisheries sector

Fonds voor arbeidsongevallen (Fund for accidents)
Troonstraat, 100
B-1000 Brussel

Private insurance company
Technical committee for seafisheries

2.2.2. Lobbying

- Redercentrale – Producersorganisation
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Paid by contributions of the member fishermen