

ASSOCIATION OF NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS OF FISHING ENTERPRISES IN THE EU

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Europêche welcomes Danish Fishers PO (DFPO) as new member

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Europêche, the leading representative body for the fishing industry in Europe, is delighted to announce the inclusion of the Danish Fishers PO (DFPO) as its newest member. Currently representing over 550 fishing vessels, DFPO significantly contributes to Danish coastal and local communities, supporting 16,000 jobs and generating €1.8 billion in economic activity. During its General Assembly held today in Brussels, Europêche members endorsed and warmly welcomed DFPO as new member, marking a significant milestone in strengthening the voice of European fisheries.

Fishing is a traditional occupation embedded in the DNA, culture and identity of many EU coastal communities. DFPO, known for its dedication to fishing practices, innovation and the welfare of fishers, represents a significant portion of the Danish fishing industry. DFPO advocates for a diverse range of fishers, including inshore, industrial, bottom net, Norway lobster and mussel fishers, encompassing both small and large vessels.

Kenn Skau Fischer, Managing Director of DFPO, stated: 'We are excited to become a member of Europêche. These are difficult times for our fishers and this membership will provide us with a stronger platform to voice the concerns and aspirations of Danish fishers at the European level. Our expertise and experience will be invaluable in Europêche's ongoing initiatives to advocate for policies that support the fishing sector while ensuring the long-term health of marine ecosystems. We look forward to contributing to and benefiting from the collective knowledge and experience of Europêche's members.'

Daniel Voces, Managing Director of Europêche, declared: 'We are thrilled to welcome DFPO into the Europêche family. DFPO's commitment to sustainable fishing practices and its proactive approach in representing Danish fishers worldwide align perfectly with our mission. This partnership will undoubtedly enhance our collective efforts in promoting a balanced and sustainable approach to fisheries management in Europe.'

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