# Sustainable Eel Group, ASBL

# **Annual General Meeting**

# 12 September 2024 By Zoom



# Notes of the meeting

Please note that a recording of the meeting was made and is available <u>here</u>.

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### 1. Introduction and apologies

Attendees can be seen in the Zoom recording, and in the presentation in the Chairman's report below. They are recorded as:

#### **SEG Members**

Andrew Kerr David Bunt Willem Dekker Alex Koelewijn Alexander Wever

#### Other SEG Officers

Emily Ostler Alexander Barty Norbert Jeronimus

#### **Observers and attendees**

Valentin Lonni Eerik Schipper Victoria Hale Peter Wood Guillaume Rey

Nicolas Belhamiti Jan Götting Alexis Pengrech Benôit Chambon

Kathleen McBride Romain Langeard Michael Baltzer Vanessa Becker-Hughes

There were no apologies for absence.

### 2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2023 were agreed as a true record. They can be viewed at https://www.sustainableeelgroup.org/board-minutes-reports/

### 3. Chairman's Report

- 3.1 Andrew Kerr presented progress and Impacts made in 2023 in his Chairman's Report.
- 3.2 David Bunt presented progress with the SEG Standard and ISEAL membership, with the key points:
  - The SEG Standard was revised and published in December 2023 following an extensive consultation, and according to the <u>ISEAL</u> Codes of Good Practice for Sustainability Standards. It is published in at: <a href="https://www.sustainableeelgroup.org/download/">https://www.sustainableeelgroup.org/download/</a>
  - SEG is a Community Member of ISEAL. As an ISEAL Community Member, we are working to continually improve our system by taking part in ISEAL's learning, collaboration, and innovation activities.

- Certification is organised via a third party, independent Conformity Assessment Body (CAB): Control Union Certifications.
- 3.3 Eerik Schipper of Control Union provided an outline on how the <u>CAB operates</u>.
- 3.4 Andres Fellenberg presented an overview of the developing EU Green Claims Directive.
- 3.5 Willem Dekker presented SEG's 2024 Recommendations for Eel Management.
- 3.6 The <u>2025 French Glass Eel Fishing Season Dates</u> were presented by Valentin Lonni of the French National Comite de Peches, and Alexis Pengrech of COREPEM (the Regional Fisheries Committee for the Loire).

### 4. Financial Report

David Bunt presented the Financial Report.

# 5. Any other business

5.1 There was some further discussion and some questions, which can be viewed at the end of the recording for the meeting.