

The Formentera Council department of fishing has joined forces with GEN-GOB to host a presentation this Friday of the island's fishing and marine reserves. The event starts at 11.00am in the CiF's new plenary hall, located in the Formentera day care centre in the Vénda des Brolls area of Sant Francesc.

"We put together this event to better understand how management of our marine spaces and natural resources is changing," said rural affairs councillor Bartomeu Escandell, "the goal being to become more in tune with European regulations and promote our own sustainability." The councillor said talk would also turn on regenerating fishing resources to protect Formentera's local fleet of fishermen.

Programme

Following an introduction, the day will begin with a report by TRAGSATEC employee Pep Coll on Formentera's marine environment and eligibility for marine reserve status.

Two round-table discussions—at 12.30pm on marine reserves and protected undersea areas and 4.00pm on the trade's political considerations—will precede a 6.30pm expert-led discussion on scientific concerns. The day's closing ceremony will take place at 8.30pm.Â