
Location: ICES secretariat, H.C. Andersens Boulevard 44, 1553 Copenhagen, Denmark
Date: 19 April 2012
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End time: 17:00
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1) Opening of the Focus Group meeting by the chairman, Sean O'Donoghue

2) Approval of the agenda

3) Approval of the minutes of Focus Group meeting on 5 October 2011

4) Discussion of preliminary results of Dankert Skagen's work, with the aim to:

- a) Identifying major features that a simulation framework should cover, and describe adaptations and extensions of the software.
- b) Deciding upon the conditioning of the model.
- c) Narrowing the scope by deciding upon a selection of HCR to be examined.
- d) Looking closer at the performance of the selected HCRs.
- e) Deciding final performance measures.

5) Connecting to the benchmark assessment

6) Continuation of the work

- a) Improvements of model conditioning
- b) Further ideas for alternative rules that should be explored
- c) Can/should a simulation using the SAM assessment model as observation model be done?
- d) Need for scientific meetings, if so, how, who and where.

7) Any other issues