



General Assembly meeting

6 October 2016, Parkhotel, Den Haag

Agenda

- 11:15 Opening of the meeting
- 11:20 Adoption of the agenda
- 11:25 Final report 2015-2016
- 11:40 Work program and budget 2016-2017
- 11:55 Election of interim chairman 2016-2017
- 12:10 AOB
- 12:15 End of meeting



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Final report 2015-2016

Multiannual plans:

- *North Sea horse mackerel*: research ongoing to improve knowledge base (genetics, commercial catch data, chemical analysis, new survey data)
- *Southern horse mackerel*: reference points developed, first simulation results available
- *Irish Sea herring*: lack of (scientific) resources and commitment
- *Western horse mackerel*: new data (groundfish surveys and genetics) to improve stock assessment, preparing for benchmark, eventually develop new management strategy
- *Herring in 6.a and 7.b,c*: industry acoustic surveys and genetic stock ID aiming to have two assessments again
- *Northeast Atlantic mackerel*: awaiting ICES evaluation of CS management strategy
- *Northeast Atlantic boarfish*: efforts ongoing to implement closures



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Final report 2015-2016

Landing obligation:

- Established Focus Group under remit of Working Group II
- Provided recommendations on implementation and control to the regional groups
- Organized workshop on implementation and control with Commission, regional groups, EFCA and ICES

TAC recommendations:

- Provided for all stocks

Identification of herring spawning grounds:

- No progress made, not presented to HAWG due to time limitations



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Final report 2015-2016

Ecosystem-based approach:

- Participation in MareFrame which seeks to remove barriers preventing a wider uptake of the ecosystem approach
- Twinning project (under MareFrame) with Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC) on implementation of EAFM in the US; presentation by Christopher Moore on EAFM at July meeting



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Financial report 2015-2016

	2015/16 Budgeted	2015/16 Realized	Difference
A: Staff	141.500	140.687	813
B: Participation in meetings	85.689	84.792	897
C: Preparation of meetings	13.232	13.110	122
D: Operation costs	15.965	15.878	87
E: Interpretation	32.500	32.016	484
F: Other contracts	20.064	19.984	80
G: Reserve	0	0	0
H: Deficit	0	0	0
TOTAL	308.950	306.468	2.482



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Work program 2016-2017

- **Implementation of the landing obligation**
 - Monitor implementation, regularly map issues and where possible suggest mitigation measures through focus group
 - Organize follow-up workshop with Commission, Member States, EFCA and ICES
- **Multi-annual management strategies**
 - Continue development of multi-annual management strategies and rebuilding plans, increase knowledge base
 - Special focus on herring in 6.a and 7.b,c, southern horse mackerel, North Sea horse mackerel, western horse mackerel



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Work program 2016-2017

- **TACs and other short-term management measures**
 - Yearly TAC advice for all stocks
 - Where appropriate advice on technical and control measures
- **Ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management**
 - Ecosystem focus group
 - Collaboration with MareFrame and MAFMC
 - Student intern working on (revision of ToR of) the ecosystem focus group
- **Identification of herring spawning grounds**
 - Present results of mapping exercise to HAWG



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Work program 2016-2017

- **Fisheries Science and other collaboration**
 - Continue collaboration with ICES and national research institutes
 - Participate in MaxFish if funded
 - Liaise with European Parliament and European Commission
 - Reinvigorate collaboration with regional MS groups (Letter sent to Commission asking to take on a facilitating role)



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Provisional planning 2016-2017

Meeting	Date	Place	Main topics
GA/ExCom/WGs	5-6 October 2016	Den Haag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final report 2014-2015 • ICES advice on widely distributed stocks • Short term management • Ecosystem focus group • Multi-annual management strategies (MAMS) • Work program and budget 2016-2017
ExCom/WGs	February 2017	?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of 2016 • Horizontal issues • MAMS • Midterm report
ExCom/WGs	April 2017	?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horizontal issues • MAMS
ExCom/WGs	11-12 July 2017	?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICES advice on North Sea and Celtic Sea pelagic stocks • Short term management • MAMS • Horizontal issues • Work program 2016-2017

Budget 2016-2017

	2015/16 Realized	2016/17 Budgeted
A: Staff	140.687	146.199
B: Participation in meetings	84.792	100.970
C: Preparation of meetings	13.110	17.700
D: Operation costs	15.878	13.560
E: Interpretation	32.016	28.700
F: Other contracts	19.984	27.300
G: Reserve	0	16.721
H: Deficit	0	0
TOTAL	306.468	351.150



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Budget 2016-2017

- *Marine Ingredients Denmark terminated its membership (represented through EU Fishmeal)*
- *All members paid their contributions*
- *All Member States either paid their contributions or filled in a commitment*
 - *Total income will be increased by 7.500 euro via an amendment towards the end of the budget year*



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Election interim chairman 2016-2017

Management Team unanimously recommends:

Prof. Jesper Raakjær
University of Aalborg



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Thank you!

