

Focus Group meeting on 6a herring

5 October 2021, online

Agenda

- 10:00 Opening of the meeting by the chairman, Sean O'Donoghue
- 10:05 Adoption of the agenda
- 10:10 Follow-up on action items
- 10:20 State of play genetics by Edward Farrell
- Update SIMWG review
 - Update 2021 follow-up work
- 11:00 Break
- 11:10 Update on the acoustic research
- 6a North herring acoustic survey- presentation by Steve Mackinson
 - 6a South-7-bc herring acoustic survey – presentation by Michael O'Malley
- 11:55 Preparation 2021 benchmark
- 12:15 List of agreed action items
- 12:25 AOB
- 12:30 End of meeting



Follow-up on action items (1/2)

April 2021

1. Pursue peer-review of the EASME genetics report(Chairman, Secretariat, Ed Farrell) :
 - a. Directly through the Commission; ✓
 - b. Once the EASME report is published by DG Mare, through a relevant Member State administration; ✓
 - c. As a fallback option, by asking the experts involved in the benchmark if they accept the results of the report, and what would be needed to get accepted.
2. Follow-up on use of options 1, 2, 3 and 4 of reserve samples with an additional fifth plate (to enable 2 plates for the 2003-2004 Westher samples). Check funding possibilities from the PelAC budget. (Secretariat, Ed Farrell) ✓
3. Invite scientists from GENSINC project to July 2021 PelAC meeting (Ed Farrell, Secretariat) ✓



Follow-up on action items (2/2)

4. Take a decision on continuation of the 2021 6a North survey as a matter of urgency (Marine Scotland) ✓
5. Break down herring catch rectangles into quarters (Martin Pastoors) ✓
6. Hold another Focus Group meeting end of September 2021 (Chairman, Secretariat) ✓



State of play genetics

EASME report Review by SIMWG



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Update 2021 Follow-up work



Break



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Update on the acoustic research

- 6a North herring acoustic survey
-Steve Mackinson-

- 6a South-7-bc herring acoustic survey
-Michael O'Malley



Preparation of the 2021 benchmark



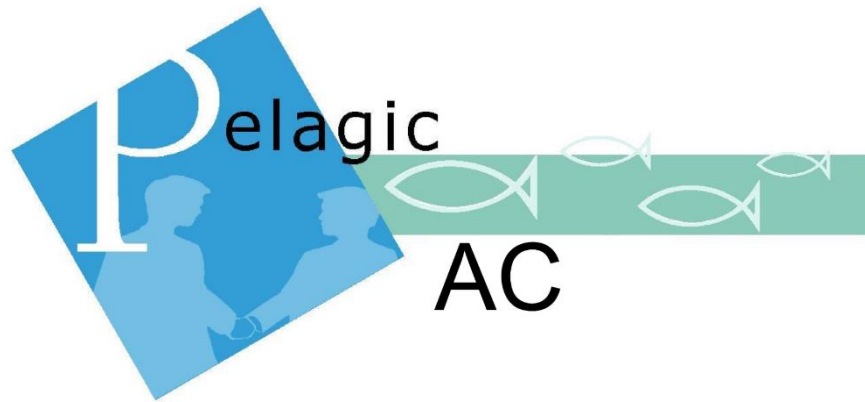
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AOB



Thank you!



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