

Focus Group meeting on Western Horse Mackerel

7 February 2018, Schiphol

Agenda

- 14:00 Opening of the meeting by the chairman
- 14:10 Follow-up on action items
- 14:20 Implications of scientific advice for 2018
- 15:00 Update on genetics project (Edward Farrell)
- 15:20 Update on PFA research project (Martin Pastoors)
- 15:40 Coffee Break
- 16:00 Formulate new harvest control rules and review management strategy
- 16:30 List of agreed action items
- 16:50 AOB
- 17:00 End of meeting



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Follow-up on action items

- Arrange the next focus group meeting in October or November 2017 (chairman, secretariat)
- Continue genetics project (NPWG, PFA)
- Continue PFA research project (PFA)
- Continue to develop management strategy (focus group)
- Contact HOMSIR project leader about genetic samples (Martin Pastoors, Edward Farrell)
- Provide cost overview for genetics project before 11 July (Edward Farrell)
- Discuss and decide on genetic funding (NPWG)
- Talk to Jens Carlsson about ATLAS project and how the project could be relevant (Edward Farrell)



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Follow-up on action items

- Look into DCF call for genetics data in 2018 (focus group)
- Formulate request to Commission to ask ICES to look at natural mortality estimates (chairman, secretariat)
- Formulate potential HCRs and other measures (Martin Pastoors)
- Provide data on catch composition in proposed closed area (Martin Pastoors)
- Provide information on mixing based on acoustic surveys (chairman)
- Ask Marine Institute to produce maps for both mackerel and horse mackerel to show the degree of mixing at certain times of the year (chairman)



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Follow-up on action items

- Reformulate proposed closure (chairman, Marine Institute)
- Examine age-length data and potential changes to minimum sizes (Martin Pastoors, Piera Carpi)



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Implications of scientific advice for 2018



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Update on genetics project



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Update on PFA research project



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New harvest control rules and review of management strategy



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List of agreed action items



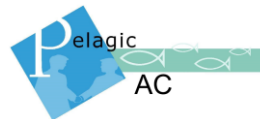
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Thank you!



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